



What can I do with a major in Interdisciplinary Studies?

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<http://www.franklin.uga.edu/students/grad/interdis.htm>

*The information below describes typical occupations and employers associated with this major.
Understand that some of the options listed below may require additional training.
Moreover, you are not limited to these options alone when choosing a possible career path.*

Description of Interdisciplinary Studies

A student with academic interests for which no suitable major is offered by any single department in the College of Arts and Sciences may pursue an Interdisciplinary Studies (IDS) major. An IDS major plans a program of study and senior thesis with a faculty advisor and an advisory committee, who are chosen by the student and the IDS Coordinator. The IDS program is a rigorous one that requires early planning on the student's part. The first step for students interested in an IDS major is to contact the Coordinator of the Division of Interdisciplinary Studies for further information. IDS offers students the opportunity to develop individualized cross-disciplinary majors utilizing courses from the social sciences, the humanities, and/or the professional schools and colleges. The ISF Major is unique in the College of Letters and Science in the importance it assigns to the advising role.

Possible Job Titles of Interdisciplinary Studies Graduates

Archeologist	Designer	Library Assistant
Architectural Historian	Digital Artist	Lobbyist
Army Recruiter	Disability Benefits	Manager Of Membership Services
Biography Writer	Editor	Museum Recruiter
Case Manager	Foreign News Correspondent	Network Services Specialist
Chemist	Graphic Designer	Paralegal
CIA / FBI Agent	Historical Society Director	Production Artist
Clerk	Institutional Participant Services	Public Relations Associate
Congressional Staff Aide	Internet Developer	Writer
Curator	Journalist	
Customer Service Representative		

****SEE SPECIFIC MAJOR SHEETS FOR MORE INFORMATION!****

To research careers of interest, visit these web sites

Georgia Career Information Center - <http://www.gcic.peachnet.edu> (accessible only on campus computers)

O*NET - <http://online.onetcenter.org> (click on Find Occupations)

Occupational Outlook Handbook - <http://www.bls.gov/oco> (type in general term for career of interest)

Alberta Occupational Profiles - <http://www.alis.gov.ab.ca/occinfo/frameset.asp> (click on Occupational Title Search)

Career Insider - powered by the Vault - <http://www.career.uga.edu/students/onlineresources.html>

***Please visit the Career Center Library or your Career Consultant for additional information or assistance.**

Top UGA Career Center Resources for Interdisciplinary Studies Majors

1. *College Majors Handbook* by JIST Publishing
2. *The Liberal Arts Advantage* by Gregory Giangrande
3. *Great Jobs for Liberal Arts Majors* by Blythe Camenson
4. *Keys to Liberal Arts Success* by Figler, Carter, Bishop, & Kravits
5. *Liberal Arts Jobs: The guide that turns learning into earning* by Burt Nadler

Possible Employers Who Might Hire Interdisciplinary Studies Graduates

(*Jobs secured as reported by UGA Career Center post-graduate survey)

Atlanta History Center*	Environmental Research and	Justice Department
Atlanta Media*	Ethnoscience*	Library of Congress
Balt-Trading, International*	Fallon Products*	New World Graphics*
Bermuda Biological Station*	Federation*	Newnan Times Herald*
Bradburn Company	Flint River Academy*	Patent, Inc. *
Chambers of Commerce	Flying Rock Enterprises*	Research Foundations
Department of Resources	Georgia's Attorney Office*	SMI*
Dept of Community Affairs*	GTE Directories*	Summit School
Digital Insight*	Hitachi Power Tools	The University of Georgia*
Educate Asian*	Jones County School District	The Vanguard Group

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Strategies Associated with Interdisciplinary Studies Majors

- Learn to be skillful at analytical reasoning and ample command of grammar and vocabulary
- Develop excellent written and oral communication skills and develop attention to detail.
- Develop skills by obtaining a leadership role in student organizations and get involved in student government.
- Familiarize self with the government application process for opportunities in federal and state government.
- Familiarize self with proposal writing and gain as much experience as possible through volunteer positions, internships, or part-time jobs.
- Participate in activities such as debate or literary clubs, campus publications, or student government.
- Involve in roles of leadership such as resident advisor, peer mentor, student advisor, etc.
- Develop on transferable skills and strong statistics background for research positions.

Campus Contacts Associated with Interdisciplinary Studies

Interdisciplinary Studies Programs contact:

Dr. Chuck Kutal

Associate Dean and Coordinator of Interdisciplinary Studies Program

Phone: (706) 542-0012; Email: ckutal@franklin.uga.edu

To find a student organization related to your chosen interdisciplinary major, go to:

<http://stuorgwebdb.stuact.uga.edu/orglist.php>

Employment Resources/Contacts for Interdisciplinary Studies Majors

See specific major sheets for more information

Additional Resources/Contacts for Interdisciplinary Studies Majors

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