MULTIDISCIPLINARY STUDIES, B.A. (UNIVERSITY COLLEGE)

Begin Campus: Any Penn State Campus

End Campus: Brandywine, DuBois, Greater Allegheny, Hazleton, Mont Alto, Scranton, Shenango

Suggested Academic Plan

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Multidisciplinary Studies, B.A. at Brandywine Campus

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First Year Fall Credits Credits Spring ENGL 15. 30H. or ESL 15[‡] 3 CAS 100, CAS 100A, CAS 0-3 100B, or CAS 100C[‡] 3 **General Education Course 3** General Education Course **General Education Course 3** General Education Course 3 World Language Level 1 4-6 General Education Course 1.5 (GHW) World Language Level 2 4-6 13-15 11.5-16.5 Second Year Fall Credits Credits Spring Option Area Selection 3 ENGL 202A or 202B[‡] 3 **BA Other Cultures Course** 3 Option Area Selection 400-3 level General Education Course 3 BA Field Course 3 **General Education Course** 1.5 General Education Course 3 (GHW) World Language Level 3 or 3-4 General Education Course 3 **General Education Course** 13.5-14.5 15 Third Year Fall Credits **Credits Spring** Theory/Application Course 3 Research Methods/Projects 3 Course Critical Analysis Course^{*} 3 Communications/Skills 3 Course General Education Course 3 BA Fields Course 3 3 **General Education Course** 3 Elective

Writing Across the	3 Elective	3
Curriculum Course [*]		
	15	15
Fourth Year		
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
Option Area Selection 400- level [*]	3 Option Area Selection 400- level [*]	3
Option Area Selection 400- level [*]	3 Option Area Selection 400- level [*]	3
Option Area Selection [*]	3 BA Fields Course	3
Elective	3 Elective	3
Elective	3 Elective	3
	15	15

Total Credits 113-121

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Course is an Entrance to Major requirement

+ Course satisfies General Education and degree requirement

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Bachelor of Arts Requirements:

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Multidisciplinary Studies, B.A. at DuBois Campus

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First Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
ENGL 15	3 CAS 100A	3
General Education Course: Natural Science	3 Any World Language	4
Any World Language	4 General Education Course: Quantitative	3
General Education Course: Arts	3 General Education Course: Social Sciences	3
First Year Seminar	1 General Education Course: Humanities	3
	14	16
Second Year		
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
ENGL 202 (A,B,C or D)	3 Any World Language	4
General Education Course: Quantification	3 General Education Course: Natural Science	3-4
Other Cultures	3 General Education Course: Arts	3
General Education: Social Sciences	3 General Education Course: Humanities	3
General Education: Natural Science	3 400 level course: 1st discipline	3
	15	16-17
	15	10 17
Third Year	15	10 17
Third Year Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
Fall 400 level course: 2nd	Credits Spring 3 Critical Analysis Core	Credits
Fall 400 level course: 2nd discipline General Education elective:	Credits Spring 3 Critical Analysis Core Requirement	Credits 3
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Fall 400 level course: 2nd discipline General Education elective: GN/GS/GH/GA Supporting course - US Cultures designation Research Core Requirement Theory/Application Core	Credits Spring 3 Critical Analysis Core Requirement 3 Communication Skills Core 3 Supporting Course - IL Cultures designation 3 400 level course: 3rd	Credits 3 3 3
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GN/GH/GS/GA	elective: GN/GA/GH/GS	
General Education Elective:	3 General Education B.A.	3
Supporting	GH/GS/GN/GA	
Option Requirement	3 General Education Elective:	3

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Multidisciplinary Studies, B.A. at Greater Allegheny Campus

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First Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
ENGL 15, 30H, or ESL 15^{\ddagger}	3 CAS 100A, 100B, or 100C [‡]	3
World Language level 1	4 World Language level 2	4
PSU 8	1 General Education Course (GQ) [‡]	3
General Education Course (GQ) [‡]	3 General Education Course	3
General Education Course (GHW)	1.5 General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3	
	15.5	16
Second Year		
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
World Language level 3	4 ENGL 202A, 202B, 202C, or 202D [‡]	3
Major Supporting Course (Communication Skills) [*]	3 Major Supporting Course (Critical Analysis) [*]	3
Major Additional Course - any level [*]	3 BA Fields Course	3
General Education Course (GHW)	1.5 General Education Course	3
Elective	3 General Education Course	3
	14.5	15
Third Year		
Third Year Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
	Credits Spring 3 Major Supporting Course (Research Methods) [*]	Credits 3
Fall Major Supporting Course	3 Major Supporting Course	
Fall Major Supporting Course (Theory) [*] Major Additional Course -	3 Major Supporting Course (Research Methods) [*] 3 Major Additional Course -	3
Fall Major Supporting Course (Theory) [*] Major Additional Course - 400-level [*] General Education Course	3 Major Supporting Course (Research Methods) [*] 3 Major Additional Course - any level [*] 3-4 Major Additional Course -	3
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Elective	3 Elective	3
	15	15

Total Credits 121-122

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Multidisciplinary Studies, B.A. at Hazleton Campus

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First Year

Fall		
	Credits Spring	Credits
ENGL 15 or 30H [‡]	3 CAS 100 [‡]	3
World Language Level 1	4 World Language Level 2	4
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
General Education Course (GHW)	1.5 General Education Course	3
PSU 8	1	
	15.5	16
Second Year		
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
World Language Level 3	4 ENGL 202A, 202B, 202C, or 202D [‡]	3
BA Requirement	3 BA Requirement	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
	General Education Course (GHW)	1.5
	16	16.5
Third Year		
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
LAS Course:Theory/ Application ^{* 1}	3 LAS Course: Research ^{* 1}	3-4
LAS Course ^{* 1}	3 LAS Course: Critical Analysis ^{* 1}	3
BA Requirement (Other Cultures)	3 Elective	3
Elective	3 Elective	3
Elective	3 Elective	3
	15	15-16
Fourth Year		
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
LAS Course: Communication ^{* 1}	3 ENGL 421 (Capstone) ^{* 1}	3
LAS Course ^{* 1}	3 LAS Course ^{* 1}	3
400-Level LAS Course ^{* 1}	3 400-Level LAS Course ^{*1}	3
400-Level LAS Course	*1	0
400-Level LAS Course ^{*1}	3 400-Level LAS Course ^{*1}	3
4.1	3 400-Level LAS Course 3 BA Requirement	3

Total Credits 124-125

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Bachelor of Arts Requirements:

Bachelor of Arts students must take 9 credits in Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) Fields (Humanities; Social and Behavioral Sciences; Arts; World Languages [2nd language or beyond the 12th credit level of proficiency in the 1st]; Natural Sciences; Quantification). The B.A. Fields courses may not be taken in the area of the student's primary major. See your adviser and the Degree Requirements section (https://bulletins.psu.edu/ undergraduate/general-information/academic-information/) of this Bulletin.

Bachelor of Arts students must take 3 credits in World Cultures. See your adviser and the full list of courses approved as World Cultures courses (https://bulletins.psu.edu/undergraduate/general-education/ course-lists/ba-world-cultures/).

Refer to student's approved LAS proposal

Program Notes:

- As long as two Arts (GA), two Humanities (GH), two Social and Behavioral Sciences (GS), and three Natural Sciences (GN) courses are taken across the eight semesters, the particular order in which these courses are taken is not relevant.
- The courses series listed above is only one of many possible ways to move through the LAS curriculum. A student's career/graduate school plans should be considered in developing an individual academic plan. Be sure to consult an adviser in the LAS department when scheduling courses.
- LAS majors must take 3 credits in each of the following areas: Research Methods/Projects, Communication Skills, Theory/Application, Critical Analysis. See adviser for course recommendations.
- At least three (3) different disciplinary areas must be included in the 24 credit option area. Fifteen (15) credits must be at the 400 level including the 400-level capstone course. In addition, at least 9 credits must be from the humanities and/or social & behavioral sciences. See adviser for course recommendations.
- After completing the 4th semester, students intending to major in LAS must write a proposal outlining the selection of courses they plan to take, demonstrating how those courses work together to prepare them for their intended career choice. This proposal must be approved by LAS Program Coordinator at the Campus.

Multidisciplinary Studies, B.A. at Mont Alto Campus

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First Year

First Year		
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
ENGL 15 or 30H (GWS) [‡]	3 World Language Level 1 ²	4
PSU 8 (FYS)	1 Foundations CAS 100A, CAS 100B, or CAS 100C (GWS) [‡]	3
Foundations (GQ) ‡	3 Foundations (GQ) [‡]	3
Breadth (GA) †	3 Breadth (GH) [†]	3
Breadth (GN) †	4 Breadth (GS) [†]	3
Breadth (GHW) †	1.5	
	15.5	16
Second Year		
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
World Language Level 2 ²	4 Foundations ENGL 202A, 202B, 202C, or 202D (GWS) [‡]	3
B.A. Fields Course Selection ⁵	3 B.A. Other Cultures Course Requirement ⁴	3
Exploration [†]	3 World Langauge Level 3 ²	3
Exploration [†]	3 B.A. Fields Course Selection ⁵	3
Inter-Domain [†]	3 Exploration [†]	3
Third Year	16	15
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
Core: Research ^{*6}	3 Core: Critical Analysis ^{*8}	3
Core: Theory/Application ^{*7}	3 Core: Communication Skills ^{*9}	3
400-level course from the first discipline [*]	3 B.A. Fields Course Selection ⁵	3
Inter-Domain [†]	3 400-level course from the second discipline*	3
Breadth (GHW) [†]	1.5 Elective	3
	13.5	15
Fourth Year		
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
Fall B.A. Fields Course Selection ⁵	Credits Spring 3 Supporting Course [*]	Credits 3
B.A. Fields Course Selection ⁵ Writing Across the		
B.A. Fields Course Selection ⁵	3 Supporting Course*	3
B.A. Fields Course Selection ⁵ Writing Across the Curriculum (W) Course ¹⁰	3 Supporting Course [*] 3 Supporting Course [*]	3

400-level course from any of the first three or a fourth discipline*	3 Elective	
	15	15

Total Credits 121

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- ¹ The First-Year Seminar requirement may be met via PSU 8 (1 credit) or with some designated courses.
- ² World Language (0-12 credits) Student must attain 12th credit level of proficiency in one world language. Penn State Mont Alto typically offers Spanish. If a student does not need to take the first and/or second semester(s) of a language, these credits will need to be replaced with electives.
- ³ ENGL 202 Students should consult with their adviser to select any one of ENGL 202A or ENGL 202B or ENGL 202C or ENGL 202D.
- ⁴ Other Cultures Selected courses meet this "other cultures" requirement. Students also must take one international (IL) and one United States (US) cultures course. Courses with cultures attributes also can count toward general education or BA fields.
- ⁵ B.A. Fields Selected courses are designated as meeting the Bachelor of Arts requirement. The student should work with the adviser to make this selection.
- ⁶ Core: Research In consultation with adviser, select 3 credits in research methods/projects from courses that involve research methodology or that focus on a research project.
- ⁷ Core: Theory/Application In consultation with adviser, select 3 credits in theory/application from courses that focus on theory, principle, central concepts, or fundamental issues.
- ⁸ Core: Critical Analysis In consultation with adviser, select 3 credits in critical analysis from courses that focus on evaluation, synthesis, and analysis.
- Core: Communication Skills In consultation with adviser, select 3 credits in communication skills from courses that focus on expression including those in verbal, symbolic, and written skills.
- Writing Across the Curriculum (W) Some general edition courses also satisfy the "W" requirement. If a student has completed 3 credits of "W" course previously, this would be an elective. Work with the adviser to select an appropriate "W" course.

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Bachelor of Arts Requirements:

Bachelor of Arts students must take 9 credits in Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) Fields (Humanities; Social and Behavioral Sciences; Arts; World Languages [2nd language or beyond the 12th credit level of proficiency in the 1st]; Natural Sciences; Quantification). The B.A. Fields courses may not be taken in the area of the student's primary major. See your adviser and the Degree Requirements section (https://bulletins.psu.edu/ undergraduate/general-information/academic-information/) of this Bulletin.

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Advising Notes:

- ‡ General Education Foundations: 9 credits GWS, 6 credits GQ; courses require grades of C or better for General Education
- † General Education Breadth: 3 credits each of GA, GH, GS, GN, GHW single-domain classes; classes may be taken in varied order
- Integrative Studies: 6 credits inter-domain classes (N suffix); may not count toward major, but may count toward minor
- Exploration: 9 credits of additional GA, GH, GN, GS, and inter-domain classes; must include 3 credits of GN which may be Inter-Domain
- Students must work with program coordinator for this major to develop and submit an academic plan for this degree before completing 90 credits. Entrance to this major requires an approved proposal, a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher, and a minimum of 27.5 credits. Students who have completed 91 credits may not enter this major. The five 400-level courses required for this major must be in a minimum of three different disciplines. Nine of the credits for the major must be from the humanities and social sciences.
- A student enrolled in an associate degree should contact the program coordinator to develop and submit the academic plan before completing the associate degree. This major can serve as a complement to the associate degree or as bridge from the associate degree to graduate studies (in physical therapy, occupational therapy, physician assistant, and more).
- With careful planning, students can complete a minor (examples: BIOL, BUS, CRIMJ, HDFS, or PSYCH). Minors require 6 credits unique from the courses required by the major, increasing the total degree credits from 120 to 126.
- This major was previously called the BA in Letters, Arts, and Sciences (LASUC_BA). It was renamed effective in summer 2022.

Multidisciplinary Studies, B.A. at Scranton Campus

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First Year

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Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
ENGL 15 or 30H (GWS) [†]	3 World Language (level 2)	4
World Language (level 1)	4 General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
General Education Course (GHW)	1.5 General Education Course (GHW)	1.5
PSU 8	1	
	15.5	14.5
Second Year		
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
Communication Skills *	3 Critical Analysis Skills [*]	3
World Language (level 3)	4 Theory/Application Skills *	3
General Education Course	3 CAS 100A (GWS)	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3 Elective	3
	16	15
Third Year		
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
Additional Selection in the Major Requirement [*]	3 ENGL 202A, 202B, 202C, or 202D (GWS)	3
Additional Selection in the Major Requirement [*]	3 400-Level Selection in Major Requirements [*]	3
BA Requirement	3 400-Level Selection in Major Requirements [*]	3
General Education Course	3 BA Requirement	3
Elective	3 General Education Course	3
	15	15
Fourth Year		
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
Research Methods/Projects*	3 400-Level Selection in Major Requirements (Capstone Course) [*]	3
Additional Selection in Major Requirements [*]	3 400-Level Selection in Major Requirements [*]	3
400-Level Selection in Major Requirements [*]	3 Elective	3
BA Requirement	3 Elective	3
Other Cultures	3 Elective	3
	Elective	3
	15	18

Total Credits 124

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Advising Notes:

- LAS majors must take 3 credits in each of the following areas: Research Methods/Projects, Communication Skills, Theory/Application, Critical Analysis. See adviser for course recommendations.
- At least 3 different disciplinary areas must be included in the 24 credit option area. Fifteen (15) credits must be at the 400-level including the 400-level capstone course. In addition, at least 9 credits must be from the humanities and/or social and behavioral sciences. See adviser for course recommendations.
- After completing the 4th semester, students intending to major in LAS must write a proposal outlining the selection of courses they plan to take, demonstrating how those courses work together to prepare them for their intended career choice. This proposal must be approved by LAS Program Coordinator at Scranton.
- At least 3 credits must be taken in US cultures; at least 3 credits must be taken in IL cultures; at least 3 credits must be taken in Other Cultures.
- At least one lab course is required in General Education Natural Sciences (GN)
- At least 3 credits must be taken in Writing Across the Curriculum ("W" suffix course).
- · A total of 123 credits is required for graduation.

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The course series listed below provides **only one** of the many possible ways to move through this curriculum. The University may make changes in policies, procedures, educational offerings, and requirements at any time. This plan should be used in conjunction with your degree audit (accessible in LionPATH as either an **Academic Requirements** or **What If** report). Please consult with a Penn State academic adviser on a regular basis to develop and refine an academic plan that is appropriate for you.

First Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
ENGL 15 [‡]	3 World Language 2	4
PSU 8	1 General Education Course	3
World Language 1	4 General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3 Quantification (GQ) [‡]	3
General Education Course	3 Social and Behavioral Science Elective	3
	14	16
Second Year		
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
Bachelor of Arts Requirement - See Adviser	3 Bachelor of Arts Requirement - See Adviser	3
CAS 100A or 100B [‡]	3 General Education Course	3
World Language 3	4 ENGL 202D or 202C [‡]	3
Social and Behavioral Science Elective (GS)	3 Quantification (GQ) \ddagger	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	
	16	12
Third Year		
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
Bachelor of Arts Requirement - See Adviser	3 Communication Skills Course [*]	3
Critical Analysis Course [*]	3 General Elective Course	3
General Education Course (GHW)	Option Area Selection - See Advser [*]	3
Option Area Election - See Adviser [*]	3 Option Area Selection - See Adviser [*]	3
Other Cultures Course	3 Research Methods Course [*]	3
Writing Across the Curriculum (W)	3	
	15	15
Fourth Year		
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
General Elective Course	3 General Elective Course	3
General Elective Course	3 General Elective Course	3
Option Area Selection - 400 level - See Adviser [*]	3 Option Area Selection - 400 level - See Adviser [*]	3
Option Area Selection - 400 level - See Adviser [*]	3 Option Area Selection - 400 level - See Adviser [*]	3
Theory/Application Course*	3 Option Area Selection - 400 level - See Adviser [*]	3
	15	15
Total Credits 118		1

- ‡ Course requires a grade of C or better for General Education
- # Course is an Entrance to Major requirement
- † Course satisfies General Education and degree requirement

University Requirements and General Education Notes:

US and IL are abbreviations used to designate courses that satisfy Cultural Diversity Requirements (United States and International Cultures).

W, M, X, and Y are the suffixes at the end of a course number used to designate courses that satisfy University Writing Across the Curriculum requirement.

General Education includes Foundations (GWS and GQ), Knowledge Domains (GHW, GN, GA, GH, GS) and Integrative Studies (Inter-domain) requirements. N or Q (Honors) is the suffix at the end of a course number used to help identify an Inter-domain course, but the inter-domain attribute is used to fill audit requirements. Foundations courses (GWS and GQ) require a grade of 'C' or better.

Bachelor of Arts Requirements:

Bachelor of Arts students must take 9 credits in Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) Fields (Humanities; Social and Behavioral Sciences; Arts; World Languages [2nd language or beyond the 12th credit level of proficiency in the 1st]; Natural Sciences; Quantification). The B.A. Fields courses may not be taken in the area of the student's primary major. See your adviser and the Degree Requirements section (https://bulletins.psu.edu/ undergraduate/general-information/academic-information/) of this Bulletin.

Bachelor of Arts students must take 3 credits in World Cultures. See your adviser and the full list of courses approved as World Cultures courses (https://bulletins.psu.edu/undergraduate/general-education/ course-lists/ba-world-cultures/).

Total Credits 118

* Course requires a grade of C or better for the major