INTERDISCIPLINARY SOCIAL SCIENCES

COLLEGE : ARTS AND SCIENCES
SCHOOL : NONE
DEGREE : BACHELOR OF ARTS
OPTION/TRACK : NONE

LIMITED ACCESS PROGRAM : NO

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• Program of Study at a Florida Community/Junior College or SUS School for Students Planning to Transfer to USF
(State Mandated Common Prerequisites)
Students wishing to transfer to USF should complete the A.A. degree at the community college. Some courses required for the major may also meet General Education Requirements thereby transferring maximum hours to the university. If students transfer without an A.A. degree and have fewer than 60 semester hours of acceptable credit, the students must meet the university’s entering freshman requirements including ACT or SAT test scores, GPA, and course requirements.

There are no State Mandated Common Prerequisites for this degree program.

Students are encouraged to choose from the following courses if available, during the program of study at the community college, and when feasible in General Education/Gordon Rule courses. Unless stated otherwise, a grade of “C” is the minimum acceptable grade.

AFA 2000 Black Experience (3)
AMH 2010 American History I (3)
or
AMH 2020 American History II (3)
ANT 2000 Introduction to Anthropology (3)
CCJ 3020 Introduction to Criminal Justice (3)
ECO 2013 Economic Principles (Macroeconomics) (3)
ECO 2023 Economic Principles (Microeconomics) (3)
GEA 3000 World Geography (4)
POS 2041 National Government (3)
or
POS 2112 State and Local Government (3)
SYG 2000 Introduction to Sociology (3)
WST 3010 Women's Studies (3)

• Admission Requirements to the University Program of Study
Please be aware of the immunization, foreign language, and continuous enrollment policies of the university. This is a non-limited access program with the above courses recommended. No transfer courses with grades of “D” are acceptable for credit in the ISS major.

• Requirements for the B.A. degree in Interdisciplinary Social Sciences
Required core courses for the major are:
ISS 3010 Introduction to the Social Sciences (3)
ISS 4935 Seminar in the Social Sciences (3)
STA 2122 Social Science Statistics (3)

The ISS student chooses between two cognate areas and completes twelve hours in each. Twenty available cognates (listed below) range from Africana Studies, to Criminal Justice, Sociology, and Women's Studies. Three special electives—emphasizing cultural diversity—are added. It is suggested that the student work out a program of study at the onset of the junior year, particularly before too many courses are completed in CAS. No student should assume that courses already completed in CAS will automatically count toward the ISS degree.

Students must complete 42 approved hours of course work from the College of Arts and Sciences (CAS), with a minimum of 30 hours at the 3000 or above level. Students must maintain a minimum grade point average of 2.0 in ISS to graduate.

Other personal curricula may be tailored for those highly motivated students, with a minimum grade point average of 3.2, developed with the approval of the advisor. This course of study will be directed toward the special educational interests of these students. An in-depth Honors Research Paper will be required of students taking this option.

Students in Communications Sciences and Disorders major in ISS with an emphasis in (a) Speech and Hearing Science, (b) Interpreter Training for the Deaf, or (c) American Sign Language. Advising for this concentration is handled at the Communication Sciences and Disorders Department.

COGNATE AREAS - select two areas, and take 12 hours in each. Cognates must be selected from the areas of study listed below:
AFA, ANT, CCJ, ECN, EVR, GEY, GPY, HTY, HUM, HUS, INT, ISA, ISH, LAS, PAD, POL, PSY, SOC, SOW, and WST.