Integrative Studies

Why Choose the Bachelor of Science in Integrative Studies Program?

The Integrative Studies BS program is a flexible degree program designed for highly motivated, independent students who wish to pursue an interdisciplinary baccalaureate degree in educational areas where Ferris State University has appropriate faculty, facilities, and course work, but for which FSU does not have an existing baccalaureate degree program.

Within the individualized study program, a student could propose a program of study that crosses department or college disciplinary areas in an unconventional manner or creates a new configuration of areas of study. Proposed programs do not duplicate any existing FSU majors, and all Integrative Studies programs are approved by the Program Coordinator in consultation with the BIS Program Committee.

In short, the program allows students to develop competencies from a variety of disciplines that will be well matched with their intended career and/or educational goals.

Career Opportunities

The 21st century workforce calls for individuals who have multiple talents who must be flexible and have the ability to contract their skills in a variety of contexts. The Integrative Studies B.S. asks students to focus on multiple capacities that they wish to develop and combine for individualized career paths. While each self-styled program is different, the orientation/capstone experiences and general education core provide commonality.

Admission Requirements

Admission into the Integrative Studies BS program requires the following:

For transfer students coming from other FSU programs or from other institutions:
Admission to FSU in good standing; cumulative GPA of at least 2.0; initial interview with Program Coordinator (in person or by phone).

Graduation Requirements

All Integrative Studies BS graduates must fulfill the following:
Completion of the University General Education requirement; a minimum of 120 credits with a minimum of 40 at the 300 or higher level; a minimum of 30 credits taught by FSU; a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or higher; completion of the Integrative Studies program in consultation with the Program Coordinator; and all other University requirements.

NOTE: The Integrative Studies BS degree is not available to students who would be better served with another bachelor degree offered by FSU, nor may it be received as a second
Required Courses using the same credits as another bachelor degree offered at FSU.

**More Information**

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