

INDIVIDUALIZED STUDIES (B.S.)

The Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Individualized Studies provides an opportunity for interdisciplinary or specialized study in the following focus areas: Behavioral & Social Sciences, Business & Finance, Health & Human Services, Management, Media & Communication, and Public Safety.

A minimum of 32 semester credit hours is required in the major with at least four courses at the upper level. The Individualized Studies major is usually developed in conjunction with the regular course assignments in CRIT 602 Advanced Critical Analysis and Strategic Thinking (4 s.h.). A proposal for the major must be submitted to Academic Affairs for approval.

Students will have the opportunity to:

1. Demonstrate the ability to be a self-directed student by determining individual academic objectives and activities and evaluating the resulting learning.
2. Attain proficiency in the knowledge, theories, methods of inquiry, and use of information resources pertinent to a substantial and coherent area of study.
3. Develop knowledge and skills in a specific discipline or clearly articulated interdisciplinary area at the introductory through advanced level.
4. Use ongoing reflective learning to articulate the progression and integration of one's learning in the selected area of study.

Degree Requirements

Minimum Credit Requirement: 120 credits

Minimum Residency Requirement: 30 credits must be taken at Granite State College

A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required for conferral

General Education Requirements

A minimum grade of C is required in all General Education coursework. Students are allowed a maximum of two course overlaps. Overlaps can be used between Major, Minor and General Education requirements with only one overlap being utilized between the Major and Minor.

All General Education requirements, including CRIT 602 Advanced Critical Analysis and Strategic Thinking (4 s.h.) and IDIS 601 Interdisciplinary Seminar (4 s.h.), must be taken prior to the capstone.

Code	Title	Credits
ENG 500	The Writing Process	4
COMM 542	Interpersonal Communication and Group Dynamics	4
COMM 543	Visual Communication	4
CRIT 501	Introduction to Critical Inquiry	4
Select one of the following:		4
MATH 502	Math for Our World	
MATH 504	Statistics	
MATH 510	Pre-Calculus	

Knowledge of Human Behavior & Social Systems (<https://catalog.granite.edu/undergraduate/degrees-programs-study/general-education-requirements/#human-behavior>) 4

Knowledge of the Physical & Natural World (https://catalog.granite.edu/undergraduate/degrees-programs-study/general-education-requirements/#physical-natural-world)		4
Knowledge of Human Thought & Expression (https://catalog.granite.edu/undergraduate/degrees-programs-study/general-education-requirements/#human-thought)		4
CRIT 602	Advanced Critical Analysis and Strategic Thinking	4
IDIS 601	Interdisciplinary Seminar	4
Total Credits		40

Major Requirements

A minimum grade of C is required in all Major coursework. Students are allowed a maximum of two course overlaps. Overlaps can be used between Major, Minor and General Education requirements with only one overlap being utilized between the Major and Minor.

Students interested in the Individualized Studies major should contact their academic advisor. The student will work with their advisor and the Director of Liberal Arts to determine if an Individualized Studies degree is feasible. Once the student's degree plan has been researched and finalized, the student must submit a proposal to Academic Affairs for approval. Generally, this work is completed while the student is taking CRIT 602 Advanced Critical Analysis and Strategic Thinking (4 s.h.) however, feasibility and degree planning may occur prior to taking CRIT 602 Advanced Critical Analysis and Strategic Thinking (4 s.h.) if needed.

Electives

Open electives are courses students will need to take in addition to their general education and major requirements in order to satisfy the remaining credit totals for their programs. Open electives are defined as any credit course offered by the College not already included in the student's general education, major, concentration or minor. Students will need 120 credits total to graduate with a bachelor's degree.