Division of Interdisciplinary Programs

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The Division of Interdisciplinary Programs includes five academic units: Enterprise Leadership, Global Health Studies, Interdepartmental Studies, Latina/o/x Studies, and Museum Studies.

The academic units within the division offer three BA degrees, one BS degree, two minors, and two certificates.

Enterprise Leadership provides an option for students who want to focus on entrepreneurial business leadership. The major presents a unique blend of skills, theory, and content, encouraging students to apply their knowledge and skills to entrepreneurial and growing organizations. It is designed to prepare students for career success—whether they desire to be an innovator inside a large organization or aspire to be an entrepreneur and launch their own business one day. The program offers a combination of business and liberal arts approaches and allows students to hone their skills in innovation, entrepreneurship, communication, critical thinking, problem solving, and leadership. Enterprise Leadership offers a BA degree.

The Global Health Studies Program builds upon the humanities, social sciences, and health sciences to help students understand underlying forces—such as history, culture, gender and sexuality, economics, politics, race and ethnicity, the environment, law, and technology—which lead to health disparities worldwide. This program offers a BA degree, a BS degree, a minor, and a graduate certificate.

Interdepartmental Studies gives students the opportunity to choose a preapproved plan of study in applied human services, business studies, or health science, or to design an individualized plan of study. Each track includes coursework from a variety of departments. Interdepartmental Studies offers a BA degree.

Latina/o/x Studies offers an interdisciplinary perspective on the history, culture, politics, and experiences of Latina/o/x populations in the United States. Latina/o/x Studies introduces the peoples who have a long-term presence in the United States and in the Midwest and who are increasingly neighbors, classmates, and coworkers. This program offers an undergraduate minor.

Museums embrace every aspect of human experience. Iowa’s Museum Studies Program reflects this multiplicity and includes students and instructors from many fields, including American studies, anthropology and archaeology, art, biology, business, communication studies, earth and environmental sciences, elementary and secondary education, English, world languages, history, and library and information science. This program offers an undergraduate certificate.