Interdepartmental Studies

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The Interdepartmental Studies Program (ISP) provides an alternative to traditional undergraduate majors. It gives students the opportunity to design an individualized plan of study or to choose a preapproved plan in applied human services, business studies, or health science. Each track includes coursework from a variety of departments.

Since the major in interdepartmental studies affords opportunities outside the traditional degree pattern, students must create or choose study programs that meet their individual educational and career objectives. Those who plan to seek employment immediately after graduation should familiarize themselves with the educational background and qualifications required by employers and should include appropriate courses in their study programs.

Students preparing for advanced study should become familiar with the admissions requirements of graduate or professional schools that interest them. The earlier students decide to pursue graduate or professional study, the easier it is to complete necessary prerequisites.

The Interdepartmental Studies Program is one of the academic units in the Division of Interdisciplinary Programs.