**MULTIDISCIPLINARY STUDIES (MDS)**

**Multidisciplinary Studies (MDS) Courses**

**MDS 2013. Introduction to Multidisciplinary Studies.** (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Introduction to Multidisciplinary Studies as an academic program. This course is required for the B.A. degree in Multidisciplinary Studies. It provides foundational skills from various academic areas and methodologies for approaching complex issues across the disciplines. Students develop and apply critical thinking, problem solving, and effective oral and written communication skills to social, political, scientific, and civic problems. The course includes a capstone project in which students plan a program of study appropriate within the Multidisciplinary Studies degree. Course Fees: DL01 $75; LRMS $37.50.

**MDS 2023. Introduction to Multidisciplinary Studies.** (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Introduction to Multidisciplinary Studies as an academic program. This course is required for the B.S. Degree in Multidisciplinary Studies. This course integrates experiential learning opportunities with foundational skills from various academic areas and methodologies for approaching complex issues across the disciplines. Students develop and apply critical thinking, problem solving, and effective oral and written communication skills to scientific, engineering, technical, social, and civic problems. The course includes a capstone project in which students design and present the experiential learning project. Course Fees: LRMS $37.50; DL01 $75.

**MDS 4911. Independent Study in Multidisciplinary Studies.** (0-0) 1 Credit Hour.
Prerequisites: Permission in writing (form available) from the instructor, the student's advisor, the Program Director, and Dean of the College in which the course is offered. Independent reading, research, discussion, and/or writing under the direction of a faculty member. May be repeated for credit, but not more than 6 semester credit hours of independent study, regardless of discipline, will apply to a bachelor's degree.

**MDS 4913. Independent Study in Multidisciplinary Studies.** (0-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisites: Permission in writing (form available) from the instructor, the student’s advisor, the Program Director, and Dean of the College in which the course is offered. Independent reading, research, discussion, and/or writing under the direction of a faculty member. May be repeated for credit, but not more than 6 semester credit hours of independent study, regardless of discipline, will apply to a bachelor's degree. Course Fee: LRMS $37.50.

**MDS 4933. Internship in Multidisciplinary Studies.** (0-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: Consent of internship coordinator. Supervised experience relevant to the student's program of study within selected community organizations. May be repeated for credit, but not more than 6 semester credit hours of internship will apply to a bachelor's degree. Course Fee: LRMS $37.50.

**MDS 4983. Senior Seminar for Multidisciplinary Studies.** (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: Declared major in Multidisciplinary Studies and senior status. The seminar surveys topics in ethics, reinforces writing and communication skills through oral and written presentations and discussions, demonstrates student’s progress through a capstone portfolio, and culminates in a senior project approved by the instructor. Generally offered: Fall, Spring. Course Fee: DL01 $75; LRMS $37.50.