

**APPLICATION FOR INDIVIDUAL INTERDISCIPLINARY MAJOR**

**(Final draft must be TYPED)**

Date Submitted: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Resubmitted: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ UFID# \_\_\_\_\_

2. Classification: \_\_\_\_\_ Anticipated date of degree: \_\_\_\_\_

Date began at UF \_\_\_\_\_ Total # of credits at end of current semester: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Address (Local) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address (Permanent) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_ [Are you willing for your name and email address to be made available to prospective or current IDS students in your concentration for the purpose of exchange of information? Yes No (check one)]

4. Current Major: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Proposed Title of Interdisciplinary Major: \_\_\_\_\_

6. GPA	YEAR	SCHOOL
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7. Faculty Sponsors (List two faculty members in different departments. One must be in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.) Indicate with an asterisk (\*) your primary faculty advisor.

NAME	SIGNATURE	DEPT.	PHONE
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You must provide letters from each of your sponsors, indicating willingness to serve as a sponsor and evaluating your proposed program of study.

8. If your concentration has a program Director, please have that faculty member sign here:  
\_\_\_\_\_.

9. Why is a “regular” departmental major not sufficient for you? (If you need more space for questions 9 or 10, please add a separate page.)

10. A brief statement of overall objectives of your proposed program. Concentrate on your goals for the first five-ten years after you graduate.

11. **Core courses for your major.** List all courses that will be included in the core (**minimum 20 hours, 3000 level and above; additional hours if possible**).

Number	Title	Hours	Grade*	Yr./Sem*
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Total Hours (Major): \_\_\_\_\_

12. **Research and thesis hours.** At least 7 hours of IDS 4906 (Interdisciplinary thesis research) or equivalent are required. Students may NOT take more than 12 hours of thesis research hours.

Number	Title	Hours	Grade*	Yr./Sem*
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\*If already taken, give year, semester, and grade. If not yet taken, indicate the year and semester you intend to take the courses. The intended dates for these proposed courses are not binding.

13. **Electives** for College of Liberal Arts and Sciences elective requirement (a **minimum of 18 credit hours at 3000-4000 level**). List all elective courses taken and/or to be taken.

Number	Title	Hours	Grade*	Yr/Sem*
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Total Hours (electives): \_\_\_\_\_

- 13a. **CLAS Foreign Language requirement:** Please state the year and semester that your foreign language requirement was met. If foreign language has not been met, state when you intent to complete this requirement.

Number	Title	Hours	Grade*	Yr/Sem*
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14. **\*\*Attach a description of proposed senior thesis work, including background, purpose (i.e., main questions asked or hypotheses) procedures and methodology, and anticipated possible outcomes. Be specific about YOUR role in research, if working on a group project. Usually, two-three pages are sufficient. Write your thesis proposal clearly, keeping in mind that you are communicating with faculty from a variety of disciplines. If your research is highly technical, write a first paragraph that summarizes the project in jargon-free language that could be understood by people in other disciplines. Make sure that your proposal clearly indicates the nature of the product (e.g., paper, videotape, film, art portfolio, and computer program), and your source of data (e.g., laboratory data, interviews, observations of behavior, library research, statistical databases, and Internet sources) and references. You should work closely with your faculty sponsors when writing your proposal, and they should read and approve the final version.**

If your proposal is too vague, unfocused, and general, we are likely to request that you revise and resubmit your application at the next application deadline. Finally, be sure to check your thesis proposal carefully for typing, spelling and grammatical errors.

Be sure that letters from your supervisor/advisors briefly evaluate your proposed program research in addition to your course work. Students working with animal subjects need to read the booklet, complete the form associated with the Animal Contact program, and enclose a copy of the appropriate form. Students working with human participants may need to obtain approval of the Institutional Review Board. Students who come in contact with human

pathogens must comply with the blood-borne pathogens program (e.g., hepatitis B shots). Check with your faculty sponsor about these regulations.

15. \*\*Attach statements or letters from your supervisors/advisors evaluating your proposed program reflecting that they have agreed to be your advisors.
16. \*\*Attach a copy of your CURRENT official transcript (this is obtained from the Registrar's Office).

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\*\*These materials MUST be submitted with this application in order for your application to be reviewed by the Interdisciplinary Studies Committee.

NB: If you plan a double major or dual degree, please list courses for the other major/degree here. Please note you may not use the same course for both purposes without approval of the Associate Dean. Each major can be applied towards the elective requirement of the other major. You must have a minimum number of hours in each major.

Name of second major/degree: \_\_\_\_\_