

INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

In order to increase the number of options available to students, Judson allows students to develop their own majors. Students wishing to propose an Interdisciplinary major should follow these guidelines:

An Interdisciplinary major may be developed by combining two (2) or more disciplines (e.g., psychology and religion) or may draw on diverse disciplines to address an emerging area of interest.

Requirements for the Interdisciplinary Major

An **Interdisciplinary Major** must have a minimum of **thirty-six (36) hours** with twelve (12) hours in each of at least two (2) disciplines.

Plans for an Interdisciplinary major, including the title for the degree, must be approved by faculty advisors in each of the disciplines chosen to meet the minimum requirements for hours and by the Vice President for Academic Affairs and the Academic Council.

A student who wishes to declare an interdisciplinary major must have an overall GPA of at least 2.75. She must apply for approval prior to the end of the semester (or summer term) in which she completes eighty-five (85) semester hours. A student who decides after that time to apply for an interdisciplinary major must complete a minimum of thirty-two (32) hours after the application. Students who apply need to be advised that final approval requires time and that an application does not necessarily mean that plans will be approved. Consequently, students should submit applications as soon as possible.

The student's written proposal for the degree must be signed by the student, advisors of the appropriate disciplines, and the Dean prior to being filed in the Office of the Registrar.

Decision about whether an interdisciplinary major is a B.A. or B.S. will be made by the Academic Council after review of the program. All requirements for the appropriate degree must be met. As a general guide, a degree combining two (2) disciplines in which only the B.A. degree is offered would automatically be a B.A.