

Bachelor of Integrated Studies

Who offers Integrated Studies programs?

- Also called general studies, interdisciplinary studies, or university studies
- According to the Association for Interdisciplinary Studies, Arizona State University, Baylor University, Boston University, City University of New York, Emory University, Michigan State University, Oakland University, San Francisco State University, Seattle University, Texas Tech University, University of Connecticut, University of Nebraska-Omaha, and many others currently offer some form of an integrated studies degree.
- Between 2005 and 2010, the number of multi/interdisciplinary studies degrees awarded increased by 38% (National Center for Education Statistics).

What is my employment outlook?

- According to City University of New York, "Don't shy away from a self-designed interdisciplinary degree because of concerns it will not lead to a job! In alumni surveys, conducted annually, approximately 80% [of CUNY Integrated Studies] graduates report that they hold jobs in fields related to their areas of concentration."
- "Alumni of the Integrated Studies program go on to graduate school, gain relevant employment in their area of focus, or are able to secure promotions in their current company with an Integrated Studies degree. In today's challenging economic times, employers are actively seeking employees with a broad base of critical skills and students are increasingly realizing the importance of achieving a Bachelor's degree. The unique, self-designed programs help you specifically target professional and employment goals" (Oakland University).
- "Graduates of the program have noted that employers and graduate schools have been impressed that they designed their own major. In a recent survey of individualized major program graduates, one person noted, 'The program is a great talking point in job interviews. Many employers like to see candidates take a more active role in their

What about graduate school?

- Among City University of New York's graduates, "note that a 50%+ rate [of Integrated Studies] students going on to graduate education is higher than the national average, where 40% of BA/BS completers go on to graduate school."
- "In recent years, a large number of interdisciplinary studies alumni have pursued graduate programs of study. These include schools of law, medicine, social work, human resources, health care administration, public policy, and business. Graduates in the past few years have attended a wide range of colleges and universities, including many major research institutions" (Michigan State University).

