

INTEGRATIVE STUDIES

College of Arts and Sciences

Degrees Available at SIUE

- Bachelor of Arts in Integrative Studies
- Bachelor of Science in Integrative Studies

Integrative Studies at SIUE

If you have diverse academic interests that span the disciplines and would like to turn these interests into a cohesive program, then the integrative studies program could be for you! Working professionals can also earn a baccalaureate degree to better position them for opportunities for advancement where a baccalaureate degree is required.

Integrative studies is an interdisciplinary program geared toward meeting each student's personal, academic and career goals, as well as providing knowledge and skills to meet the needs of emerging professions. This program provides students the opportunity to embrace their individuality and widen their perspectives by exploring and making connections between different fields of study. Students design their own program of study, in consultation with a professional advisor and a faculty mentor, and in doing so take responsibility for their education and career planning.

Career Outlook

Students graduating with an undergraduate degree in integrative studies will be well-prepared to pursue career opportunities in a variety of professional settings, such as advertising, public service, military, sales, human services, ministry, sports promotion, higher education, public relations, and youth development, among others. Graduates will also be prepared to pursue a master's or professional degree in various fields. A graduate program in integrative studies is offered at SIUE, as well as several other universities.

Hands-On Learning

Depending on their chosen focus areas, students will have the opportunity to participate in co-ops, internships, research with faculty, service learning and study abroad. The senior capstone experience requires that students work closely with at least two faculty members from different fields of study who will provide guidance in integrating focus areas.

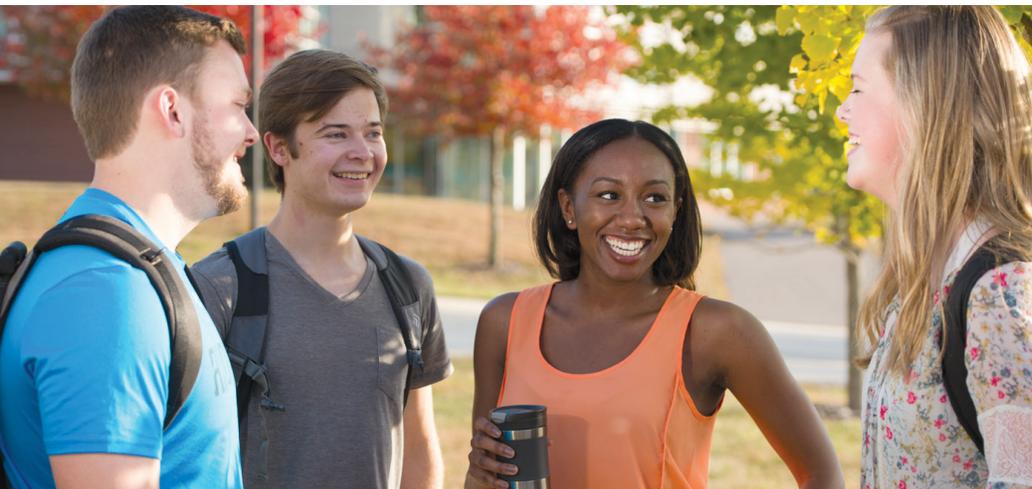
Global Experience

Students and faculty members come to SIUE from diverse backgrounds and many different countries. The possible combinations of focus areas in the integrative studies program can lead to opportunities for international collaborations and study abroad experiences.



Faculty

Students at SIUE have the opportunity to interact with and learn from faculty members who are experts in their chosen focus area. Faculty members in the integrative studies program are knowledgeable and passionate about the benefits of an interdisciplinary education. Our faculty members understand how an undergraduate degree in integrative studies can be leveraged for employment or the pursuit of a graduate degree.



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Sample Four-Year Curriculum for the Bachelor of Science in Integrative Studies, Focus Areas: Biological Sciences and Forensics Sciences

	FALL SEMESTER	SPRING SEMESTER
YEAR 1	CHEM 121a General Chemistry I (BPS) 4 CHEM 125a General Chemistry Lab I (EL) 1 ENG 101 English Composition I 3 MATH 150 Calculus I 5 ACS 101 Public Speaking 3 Total Credits 16	CHEM 121b General Chemistry II 4 CHEM 125b General Chemistry Lab II 1 BIOL 150 Intro to Biological Sciences I (BLS) 4 STAT 244 Statistics (BICS) 4 ENG 102 English Composition II 3 Total Credits 16
YEAR 2	BIOL 151 Intro to Biological Sciences I 4 CHEM 241a Organic Chemistry I 3 RA 101 Reasoning and Argumentation 3 PSYC 111 Foundations of Psychology (BSS) 3 Breadth Fine & Performing Arts (Experience Global Cultures) 3 Total Credits 16	BIOL 220 Genetics 4 CHEM 241b Organic Chemistry II 3 CHEM 245 Organic Chemistry Lab 2 PHYS 131a College Physics I 5 Total Credits 14
YEAR 3	CJ 111 Intro to Criminal Justice 3 Breadth Humanities (Experience United States Cultures) 3 BIOL 423 Forensic Biology 3 Leadership Course Requirement^ 3 INTG 300 Foundations of Integrative Studies 3 Total Credits 15	BIOL 319 Cell & Molecular Biology 4 CJ 206 Criminal Law 3 Health Experience (EH) 2 ANTH 369 Intro to Forensic Anthropology 3 Elective 3 Total Credits 15
YEAR 4	ANTH 469 Forensic Anthropology Applications 3 CJ 207 Criminal Procedures 3 Interdisciplinary Studies (IS) 3 BIOL 389 Comparative Vertebrate Anatomy 4 CJ 272 Criminology 3 Total Credits 16	INTG 499 Senior Assignment 3 CJ 410 Judicial Process: The Criminal Court System 3 Elective 2 CHEM 331 Quantitative Analytical Chemistry 3 CHEM 335 Quantitative Analytical Chemistry Lab 1 Total Credits 12

NOTES – The University requires students earning a Bachelor of Science (BS) degree to complete at least eight (8) courses in the sciences (life, physical, or social) (*), including, as a part of those eight (8) courses, two (2) courses designated as labs (EL).

^One out of the following courses: PSYC 320 Introduction to Industrial/Organizational Psychology, PSYC 365 Group Dynamics and Individual Behavior, PSYC 474 Organizational Psychology, SOC 338 Sociology at Work

TRANSFER STUDENTS – To maximize your transfer experience, complete the **bolded** courses/requirements pre-transfer **AND** satisfy either the Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI) General Ed Core or receive an AA, AS, or AAT (early childhood, special ed or math) degree from an IAI community college. If ‘Minor’ requirements are shown, discuss careful course selection with the academic advising contact listed. Transfer Credit Equivalency Guides are located at siue.edu/transfer.

Admission Requirements

Applicants seeking a bachelor’s degree in integrative studies are expected to meet SIUE’s general undergraduate admission requirements. To be considered for admission to the integrative studies program, students must:

- Have a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.0 on a 4.0 scale.
- Submit the following:
 - Application form
 - A statement detailing how the integrative studies program fits your current or revised educational, personal and professional goals.
 - A plan of study, developed in consultation with an academic advisor or faculty mentor, that illustrates an interdisciplinary nature and clearly defined focus areas. Once a plan of study is approved, modifications can be made only upon consultation with an advisor and approval by the director of the integrative studies program.

Graduation Requirements

- Complete all specific program requirements.
- Complete all University requirements, including:
 - All general education requirements
 - A minimum of 120 credit hours:
 - At least 30 of which must be completed at SIUE
 - At least 60 of which must be completed at a regionally accredited 4-year institution.
 - At least 60 credit hours must be at the 200-level or above
 - At least 40 credit hours must be at the 300-level or above, at least 30 of which must be earned at SIUE
 - A minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0
 - File an Application for Graduation by the first day of the term in which you plan to graduate.

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