

First Year (Fall)

IDST 150 or IDST 250-259	Intro to Cross-Cultural & Social Justice Studies or Intro to Interdisciplinary Studies
1xx	Elective in area(s) of concentration
ENGL 150	College Writing II (CWR)
CMA	Quantitative Reasoning
CSS	Self & Society

Second Year (Fall)

IDST 150 or IDST 250-259	Intro to Cross Cultural & Social Justice Studies or Intro to IDST (e.g. IDST 250-259)	
2xx	Elective in area(s) of concentration	
CSTL	Science & Tech Lab (4)	
CLA	Modern Language Course I	
PHED	Phys Ed activity class (1)	

Third Year (Fall)

IDST 320	Methods in Interdisciplinary
	Studies
3xx	Elective in area(s) of
	concentration
3xx	Elective in area(s) of
	concentration
CSS	Self & Society
CST	Science & Tech (non-lab)

Fourth Year (Fall)

IDST 401	Senior Seminar	
IDST 350-359 OR	World History in Contexts OR	
IDST 360-369	Topics in Culture & Society	
3xx	Elective in area(s) of	
	concentration	
Elective*	Free Elective	
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*Free Electives: Students are encouraged to choose electives toward completing a minor or toward deepening their competencies and knowledge in their interdisciplinary areas of concentration.

**This is a sample 4-year plan to complete the major listed above. While we believe that this represents an accurate depiction of the requirements, there are other pathways to degree competition. We strongly recommend that you meet with your academic advisor(s) regularly to review your requirements and progress toward graduation.

ALL courses are 3 credits unless noted (#)

MCLA in 4: Sample Degree Completion Plan* INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

First Year (Spring)

IDST 280	Introduction to the IDST Major &
	Degree Plan
CHH	Human Heritage
CCA	Creative Arts
1xx	Elective in area(s) of
	concentration
Elective*	Free Elective
PHED 1xx	Phys Ed Activity class (1)

Second Year (Spring)

2xx	Elective in area(s) of
	concentration
CCA	Creative Arts
CHH	Human Heritage
CLA	Modern Language course II
Elective*	Free Elective

Third Year (Spring)

IDST 350-359 OR	World History in Contexts OR	
IDST 360-369	Topics in Culture & Society	
3xx	Elective in area(s) of	
	concentration	
3xx	Elective in area(s) of	
	concentration	
CCAP	Tier II Core Capstone	
Elective*	Free Elective	

Fourth Year (Spring)

IDST 401	Senior Seminar (if not taken during 4 th year fall)
3xx	Elective in area(s) of concentration
Elective*	Free Elective
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CORECURRICULUM	code
Tier I Reading, Thinking, Writing	CWR
Tier I Quantitative Reasoning	CMA
Tier I Computing & Technology	CCL
Tier I Language Arts	CLA
Tier II Creative Arts	CCA
Tier II Human Heritage	CHH
Tier II Self & Society	css
Tier II Science & Technology	CSTL, CST
Tier III Core Capstone	CAP
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MCLA CO-CURRICULAR AND CAREER PLANNING

First Year (Fall) AWARENESS

Visit CSSE, meet the staff, attend a workshop

Meet with your academic advisor

Attend the President's Ice Cream Social, explore opportunities to join clubs and organizations

Start your ePortfolio (biography, goals)

Attend a campus-wide lecture or discussion

Second Year (Fall) EXPLORATION

Update your resume - summer experiences

Explore several career paths in your major Get involved with at least one club, activity, affinity group on campus

Volunteer in the community

Show your MCLA spirit, attend an event

Cultivate a relationship with a faculty mentor

Third Year (Fall) PLANNING

Grad school? Career? Do some research!

Start building your network

Gain experience in a potential career field Use ePortfolio to showcase your MCLA experiences

Volunteer to assist with a campus event

Fourth Year (Fall) TRANSITION

Update your resume, compile professional references

Polish your professional image – social media, communication strategies, etc.

Mentor new MCLA students

Triple check your degree requirements

Attend a graduate school fair, take graduate school entrance exams in October

Complete an internship

First Year (Spring) ENGAGEMENT

Create a resume, upload it to your ePortfolio

Attend the Undergraduate Research Conference

Get involved with one club or organization

Participate in a community service event

Attend a CSSE sponsored workshop to enhance your skills, explore summer jobs, etc.

Second Year (Spring) REFINEMENT

Start your internship search

Plan ahead for travel course, study abroad, study away opportunities

Take on a leadership position at MCLA

Advance your interviewing skills

Help out with a service learning project

Expand your ePortfolio

Third Year (Spring) EXPERIENCE

Share your post-graduate ideas with your advisor

Make plans for an internship in your major

Attend a networking event or career fair

Go away! Travel course, off-campus internship, study away or abroad

Present at Undergraduate Research Conference

Fourth Year (Spring) GRADUATION

Apply for graduation, finish your ePortfolio

Write winning cover letters, search and apply for jobs

Participate in mock interviews

Attend on- and off-campus career fairs

Send thank you notes to inspirational faculty and staff

Walk across the stage and smile – you're a college graduate!