General Studies

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Faculty

Faculty members are housed in departments and schools throughout the University of Missouri.

* Graduate Faculty Member - membership is required to teach graduate-level courses, chair master's thesis committees, and serve on doctoral examination and dissertation committees.

** Doctoral Faculty Member - membership is required to chair doctoral examination or dissertation committees. Graduate faculty membership is a prerequisite for Doctoral faculty membership.

Undergraduate

- BGS in General Studies (http://catalog.missouri.edu/undergraduatedegree/collegeofartsandscience/generalstudiesprogram/bgs-general-studies/)

The Bachelor of General Studies (BGS) is designed for students who want a multidisciplinary major to meet educational and career objectives. Students who pursue the BGS need a high degree of motivation and independence. The BGS degree is intended for students pursuing a first bachelor’s degree and will not be approved as a second bachelor’s degree.

The BGS degree requires a minimum of 120 credit hours with a minimum of 30 credit hours numbered 3000 or above. Students meet with the academic advisor to create a graduation plan after completing 60 credit hours, MATH 1100 or an equivalent with a C- grade or higher, ENGLSH 1000 with a C- grade or higher and maintaining a 2.0 cumulative GPA.

BGS students are required to complete 12 credit hours as declared BGS majors and this may include credit for the semester in which the student declares the BGS major. In exceptional circumstances (and in most cases, only following an absence from MU of 4 or more years), students who need fewer than 12 credit hours to complete all their BGS, A&S and MU requirements must take a minimum of 6 credit hours with at least 3 credit hours at the 3000-level or higher after declaring the BGS major.

Graduate

While the College of Arts & Science does not offer a graduate degree in general studies, the College does offer graduate degrees, certificates and minors in a number of multidisciplinary areas. The catalog provides a complete list of these degree options (http://catalog.missouri.edu/degreesanddegreeprograms/) for all Schools and Colleges at the University of Missouri.

G_STDY 4940: Internship in General Studies
Internship limited to students pursuing the Bachelor of General Studies degree. Graded on S/U basis only.

Credit Hour: 1-6

G_STDY 4960: Readings in General Studies
Independent readings with supervisory faculty member. May be repeated to a maximum of six hours.

Credit Hour: 1-6
Prerequisites: Open only to General Studies majors