

Your First Step

If you are considering the Bachelor of Science in Integrated Studies, your first step is to meet with an advisor in University College to discuss your interests and career aspirations so that you can select an appropriate area of emphasis and minor/area of support.

Advising Resources

Visit our Advising Services page for a full list of our advisors and many other helpful tools at mtsu.edu/university-college/advising.

Advisors

Advisement for the Bachelor of Science in Integrated Studies is housed in MTSU's University College. To schedule an appointment, please call **615-494-7714**.

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Many adults receive college credit through our Prior Learning Assessment program.



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Graduate Michael Keeton, east Tennessee circuit rider for the Tennessee Association of Utility Districts

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Why Integrated Studies?

You have unique goals. Wouldn't it be great if you could design a degree to match your exact career interests? Talk to your advisor about the Bachelor of Science in Integrated Studies. It's so flexible that it can be customized to fit your life and goals.

This degree is an interdisciplinary program with instruction offered on the MTSU campus as well as online. Those seeking this path to graduation choose two areas of emphasis (12 hours each) to meet personal and professional goals.

Students who have accumulated a variety of course credits that are not easily applied to a particular degree program often find that they can be used in this program, allowing them to graduate earlier.

Elective course requirements for adult learners are often fulfilled through the Prior Learning Assessment (PLA) program, which can reward credit for college-level learning you may have gained through work, training, certifications, licensure, military service, and other programs. Details about the program should be discussed with your advisor.



Degree requirements

Overall, 120 semester hours are required. A minimum of 60 hours must be earned at a four-year institution, including 42 upper-division (3/4000-level) hours, of which 30 hours must be taken at MTSU.

Students must complete

- MTSU General Education requirements
- a 31-hour major consisting of 7 hours of required courses and two 12-hour areas of emphasis determined in consultation with an advisor
- an 18-hour area of support or minor
- 30 hours of electives (or 33 hours if a 15-hour minor is chosen)

The required courses in the major include Senior Career Development Seminar (PRST 3030), Interdisciplinary Research and Problem Solving (PRST 3995), and Culminating Project (PRST 4995). A complete list of General Education requirements and other degree requirements is available in the undergraduate catalog at catalog.mtsu.edu.



Areas of emphasis

As an Integrated Studies major, you will work with an advisor to select two 12-hour areas of emphasis. Sample study subjects include child and family studies, communication studies, criminal justice, cultural studies, English or writing, health, human sciences, information technology, journalism or public relations, leadership studies, nutrition, office management, political science, psychology, sociology, teaching and learning, and women's studies.

Some pre-planned areas of emphasis are offered in Communication Studies, Health and Human Performance, and Leadership Studies and are listed on our website at mtsu.edu/bsis.

What some of our alumni are doing now

- Bank vice president
- Army National Guard helicopter pilot
- Analyst for Department of Homeland Security, Immigrations and Customs Enforcement
- Aircraft quality engineer
- High school achievement gap intervention specialist
- Lead patient service representative at a children's hospital primary clinic
- Nuclear safety engineer
- Child Protective Services investigator