

Online Bachelor of Science in Integrative Studies (Business and Leadership Studies)

This fully online program is well suited to adult learners seeking an undergraduate degree to enhance career opportunities. The program provides learners with a single point of contact for the duration of their degree program. Adult learning and success resources are also available and include an online orientation, peer mentoring, virtual advising, online tutoring, and an adult learner resources center.

Integrative Studies majors must take a total of 39 upper-division hours from two academic areas, in this case, Business and Leadership. A minimum of 12 upper-division hours must be taken in each academic area, and students must earn a grade of “C” or above in these courses as well as complete an additional 15 hours of upper-level course work addressing writing and/or communication skills; an understanding of theory and culture; and the ability to apply and integrate skills in the selected academic areas. Nine hours of related studies courses must be built into the INTS curriculum as well. Academic advisers assist students in crafting schedules that meet these requirements.

Other possible combinations of coursework may be available for completing an online degree in Integrative Studies. Some of the more popular thematic areas for the online specialized track include Psychology, Sociology, Criminal Justice and Political Science. Students may also choose to pursue the general studies track.

To graduate, an INTS major must have completed a minimum of 123 credit hours through a combination of General Education courses and major courses. To ensure a cohesive degree plan, students are required to meet online with an academic advisor in the Department of University Studies to design the proposed curriculum. A written rationale is required by all INTS majors addressing how the combination of the two academic areas relates to his/her personal and career goals.

Program of Study:

I. General Education: 45-48 hours (Must include ECON 2100)

II. Area F LOWER DIVISION MAJOR Courses related to the appropriate academic areas (18 credit hours, minimum grade of “C” in each course):

INTS 1198 Introduction to Integrative Studies
INTS 2298 Integrative Studies Research Methods
LDRS 2000 Finding the Leader Within
ECON 2200 Principles of Macroeconomics
ACCT 2100 Intro to Financial Accounting
ACCT 2200 Introduction to Managerial Accounting

III (Part A) UPPER DIVISION MAJOR Courses (minimum 39 hours, minimum grade of “C” in each course):

Thematic Coursework in Area 1 (12 hours): Leadership*

LDRS 3000 Foundations of Leadership

LDRS 3200 Leadership in a Global Society

LDRS 3600 Ethics in Leadership

LDRS 3800 Leading in Groups

Students also choosing to pursue the 15 credit hour Leadership Certificate as part of their INTS degree are required to follow the specific certificate guidelines stated in the KSU catalog.

Thematic Coursework in Area 2 (12 hours): Business

FIN 3100 Principles of Finance

MGT 3100 Management and Behavioral Sciences

MKTG 3100 Principles of Marketing

IS 3100 Information Systems Management

III (Part B). INTS AREA (15 hours; minimum grade of “C” in each course):

INTS 4498 Senior Seminar in Integrative Studies

Plus 12 hours of upper level coursework related to Thematic Areas (Due to limitations of hours in the Coles College of Business coursework, business hours require advisor approval.)

Leadership Studies courses available to satisfy INTS and Related Studies:

LDRS 3100: Change & Conflict Leadership

LDRS 3400: Service as Leadership

LDRS 3500: How Not to Lead

LDRS 3700: Women in Leadership

LDRS 4000: Leadership and Sustainability

LDRS 4400: Directed Study

LDRS 4490: Special Topics in Leadership Studies

Other LDRS 3000 or 4000 level courses

IV. RELATED STUDIES Courses (9 credit hours):

Nine hours (preferably upper level, but may be lower level) beyond the major requirements as approved by the INTS advisor.

IS 2200 Information Systems and Communication

One of ECON 2300 Business Statistics OR STAT 1107 Introduction to Statistics

One of LDRS 2100 Leadership & Historic Social Movements OR LDRS 2200 Contemporary Leadership Issues

V. FREE ELECTIVE Courses (up to 12 hours): Any courses in the university curriculum.

Note that students may not exceed 30 total hours of ACCT, BLAW, ECON, ENTR, FIN, INS, IS, ISA, MGT, MKGT, RE and BUSA courses excluding ECON 1000 and ECON 1100.

Program Total (123 Credit Hours)