

INTERDISCIPLINARY MAJOR DECLARATION

Name: _____ Student ID: _____ Email: _____ Phone: _____

Students may initiate interdisciplinary majors other than those formally approved by the faculty. Such majors require a minimum of 42 semester hours across three departments.

A minimum of 33 semester hours must be from two departments with no fewer than 14 semester hours from each. At least 4 courses at the 300-level must be taken; normally, these courses will be split evenly between departments 1 and 2. A minimum of 8 semester hours must be taken in a third department.

Students must provide a written statement of purpose for such programs (see below). Proposals require the approval of the registrar, two advisors, and the chairs of the departments from which the 33 semester hours are selected.

Proposed Course of Study (completed by student in consultation with department chair or advisor)

Department 1: (at least 14 semester hours)*	Department 2: (at least 14 semester hours)*	Department 3: (at least 8 semester hours)

Purpose Statement (completed by student; please attach)

- 1) Purpose: Why does your proposed course of study necessitate the creation of this IDIS major?
- 2) Learning Goals:
 - a) How does the outlined course of study help you achieve your academic and vocational goals after Calvin?
 - b) Describe how the courses you have selected constitute a coherent and in-depth field of study.

*At least 4 courses at the 300-level must be taken, however, the distribution between Department 1 and Department 2 may vary. Normally, 2 courses at the 300-level will come from each department.

APPROVALS

Department 1 Advisor – Advisor of record

- _____ Student has provided an adequate account of purpose (Purpose Statement 1)
- _____ Student has provided an adequate account of academic and vocational goals (Purpose Statement 2a)
- _____ Student has provided an adequate justification for course selection in terms of coherence and depth (Purpose Statement 2b)
- _____ Advisor and chair agree that the student's learning goals can be met through the selected courses (Purpose Statement 2)
- _____ Advisor has verified that the student has taken or will take courses totaling at least 42 semester hours and that at least 4 of these courses are at the 300-level.
- _____ The department is able to include provisions for meeting the department's writing requirement

Advisor Signature: _____ Date: _____

Advisor Printed Name: _____

Department Chair Signature: _____ Date: _____

Department 2 Advisor

- _____ Student has provided an adequate account of purpose (Purpose Statement 1)
- _____ Student has provided an adequate account of academic and vocational goals (Purpose Statement 2a)
- _____ Student has provided an adequate justification for course selection in terms of coherence and depth (Purpose Statement 2b)
- _____ Advisor and chair agree that the student's learning goals can be met through the selected courses (Purpose Statement 2)
- _____ Advisor has verified that the student has taken or will take courses totaling at least 42 semester hours and that at least 4 of these courses are at the 300-level.
- _____ The department is able to include provisions for meeting the department's writing requirement

Advisor Signature: _____ Date: _____

Advisor Printed Name: _____

Department Chair Signature: _____ Date: _____

Registrar

After acquiring the above signatures, the student must bring this form to the Registrar's Office

Approved by Registrar: _____ Date: _____