

Interdisciplinary Concentrations

In addition to the required major and optional minor programs, the university also offers a number of interdisciplinary concentrations and programs as options to supplement and strengthen specific degree majors. Interdisciplinary concentrations consist of approximately 18 to 39 semester hours of course work in which the student has attained at least a 2.0 (C) average. To qualify for a concentration students must complete all the requirements of the related major as specified in the *Bulletin*. A completed concentration is noted on the transcript. For further details concerning concentrations, programs, and recommended courses, students are advised to contact the coordinator/director or the chairperson of a department participating in the concentration or program. The contact secretary for all concentrations is located in the Department of Political Science in the Administration Building.

Concentrations

The following interdisciplinary concentrations are available:

Italian Studies —Developed by the Bishop Anthony M. Pilla Program in Italian-American Studies, this concentration seeks to foster an appreciation of Italian and Italian-American history and culture. Students are exposed to the major intellectual, artistic, and cultural contributions that Italians and Italian-Americans have made throughout history as they complete 21 credit hours of approved coursework. Six of these credit hours must be in Italian language (2 IT courses at the 200 level or above), while 6 hours complete the Italian-American culture requirement (ML 260 plus one course from ML 265, ML 270 and HS 342) and 9 hours complete the Italian culture requirement (3 courses from HS 405, 411; AH 303, 430; ML 275, 280, 285, 350). Additional courses that satisfy these requirements are designated each semester by the Italian Studies Committee. **Coordinator:** Dr. Santa Casciani, Department of Classical and Modern Languages and Cultures, and director, Bishop Pilla Program in Italian American Studies.