

# BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN MULTIDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

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The Bachelor of Science in Multidisciplinary Studies, offered through the College of Arts and Sciences (<https://catalog.twu.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/>), is a multidisciplinary program that provides versatility for adult learners and part-time students who need a flexible curriculum designed to balance work and life responsibilities with educational goals. The degree may be completed 100% online or in a face-to-face format on the Denton campus.

## Concentration areas may be selected from the following disciplines:

- Business Concentration (<https://catalog.twu.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/multidisciplinary-studies/multidisciplinary-studies-bs/business/>)
- Computer Science Concentration (<https://catalog.twu.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/multidisciplinary-studies/multidisciplinary-studies-bs/computer-science/>)
- Criminal Justice Concentration (<https://catalog.twu.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/multidisciplinary-studies/multidisciplinary-studies-bs/criminal-justice/>)
- English Concentration (<https://catalog.twu.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/multidisciplinary-studies/multidisciplinary-studies-bs/english/>)
- Health Studies Concentration (<https://catalog.twu.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/multidisciplinary-studies/multidisciplinary-studies-bs/health-studies/>)
- History Concentration (<https://catalog.twu.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/multidisciplinary-studies/multidisciplinary-studies-bs/history/>)
- Mathematics Concentration (<https://catalog.twu.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/multidisciplinary-studies/multidisciplinary-studies-bs/mathematics/>)
- Multicultural Women's & Gender Studies Concentration (<https://catalog.twu.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/multidisciplinary-studies/multidisciplinary-studies-bs/multicultural-womens-gender-studies/>)
- Political Science Concentration (<https://catalog.twu.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/multidisciplinary-studies/multidisciplinary-studies-bs/political-science/>)
- Psychology Concentration (<https://catalog.twu.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/multidisciplinary-studies/multidisciplinary-studies-bs/psychology/>)
- Sociology Concentration (<https://catalog.twu.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/multidisciplinary-studies/multidisciplinary-studies-bs/sociology/>)

- Visual Arts Concentration (<https://catalog.twu.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/multidisciplinary-studies/multidisciplinary-studies-bs/visual-arts/>)

## Concentration areas may be selected from the following disciplines with approval from the program coordinator:

- Dance
- Human Development and Family Studies
- Human Services
- Kinesiology
- Music
- Natural Sciences
- Professional Education

For these concentration areas to be considered for the Bachelor of Science in Multidisciplinary Studies, students must have already successfully completed at least 12 semester credit hours of 3000- or 4000-level courses in the discipline.

The program may allow additional concentration areas on a case-by-case basis and with departmental approval. Students must have completed at least 12 semester credit hours of 3000- or 4000-level courses in the discipline for any additional concentration areas to be considered.

## Marketable Skills

Defined by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board's 60x30 Strategic Plan (<https://reportcenter.highered.texas.gov/agency-publication/miscellaneous/thecb-60x30-strategic-plan/>) as, "Those skills valued by employers that can be applied in a variety of work settings, including interpersonal, cognitive, and applied skills areas. These skills can be either primary or complementary to a major and are acquired by students through education, including curricular, co-curricular, and extracurricular activities."

1. Communicate effectively.
2. Collaborate with others to analyze and solve complex problems.
3. Network within multiple industries for leadership and professional development.
4. Adapt and respond effectively to change in work situations and other environments.

## Admissions

All applicants must meet the general undergraduate admission requirements (<https://catalog.twu.edu/undergraduate/admission-information/>).

## Degree Requirements

**Total Semester Credit Hours (SCH):** 120

**Program Code:** MLTDISCST.BS ; **CIP Code:** 30.0000.00

### Texas Core Curriculum

Code	Title	SCHs
ENG 1013	Composition I (10)	3
ENG 1023	Composition II (10)	3
Mathematics (20)		3
Life & Physical Sciences (30)		6
Language, Philosophy, & Culture (40)		3

Creative Arts (50)	3
HIST 1013 History of the United States, 1492-1865 (60)	3
HIST 1023 History of the United States, 1865 to the Present (60)	3
POLS 2013 U.S. National Government (70)	3
POLS 2023 Texas Government (70)	3
Social & Behavioral Sciences (80)	3
CAO: Multicultural-Women's Studies (90)	3
CAO: First Year Seminar, Wellness or Mathematics (91)	3
<b>Total SCHs</b>	<b>42</b>

## Major/Emphasis

Total semester credit hours for major courses: 36 semester credit hours divided between two or three concentration areas. For two concentration areas, students must complete 18 advanced hours in each of the two concentrations. For three concentration areas, students must complete 12 advanced hours in each of the three concentrations. Concentration area courses must be 3000-4000 level. Students will take MDS 4003 and complete a focused capstone project related to their concentration areas. A grade of C or higher is required in all concentration area courses.

## Recommended Plan of Study

### First Year

Fall		TCCN	SCHs
ENG 1013	Composition I	ENGL 1301	3
HIST 1013	History of the United States, 1492-1865	HIST 1301	3
Creative Arts Core			3
Component Area Option Core			3
General Studies Elective			3
<b>SCHs</b>			<b>15</b>
Spring		TCCN	
ENG 1023	Composition II	ENGL 1302	3
HIST 1023	History of the United States, 1865 to the Present	HIST 1302	3
Life/Physical Science Core			3
Component Area Option Core			3
General Studies Elective			3
<b>SCHs</b>			<b>15</b>

### Second Year

Fall		TCCN	
POLS 2013	U.S. National Government	GOVT 2305	3
Language, Philosophy, and Culture Core			3
Social/Behavioral Science Core			3
Global Perspective or Elective			3
Elective			3
<b>SCHs</b>			<b>15</b>
Spring		TCCN	
POLS 2023	Texas Government	GOVT 2306	3
Life/Physical Science Core			3
Mathematics Core			3
Elective			3
Elective			3
<b>SCHs</b>			<b>15</b>

### Third Year

Fall		TCCN	
Concentration Area One			3
Concentration Area One			3
Concentration Area Two			3
Concentration Area Two			3
Concentration Area Three or Elective			3
<b>SCHs</b>			<b>15</b>
Spring		TCCN	
Concentration Area One			3
Concentration Area One			3
Concentration Area Two			3
Concentration Area Two			3
Concentration Area Three or Electives			3
<b>SCHs</b>			<b>15</b>

### Fourth Year

Fall		TCCN	
Concentration Area One or Elective			3
Concentration Area One or Elective			3
Concentration Area Two or Elective			3
Concentration Area Two or Elective			3
Concentration Area Three or Elective			3
<b>SCHs</b>			<b>15</b>
Spring		TCCN	
Concentration Area 3 or Elective			3
Elective			3
Elective			3
Elective			3
MDS 4003	Multidisciplinary Studies Capstone		3
<b>SCHs</b>			<b>15</b>
<b>Total SCHs:</b>			<b>120</b>