

INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES FIELD MAJOR APPLICATION TO DECLARE

Please read the following carefully:

NOTE: The completed application packet with all materials listed below must be ***handed to an ISF faculty adviser in person.***

NOTE:

As soon as you have completed at least one of the world civilization pre-requisites, you are eligible to declare the major application. However, you are eligible to submit your application when you have enrolled in one of the world civilization courses, but you will not be officially admitted to the major until ONE OF THESE PRE-REQUISITES has been completed and the grade posted to your transcript. Your application will be considered "pending" until this requirement is satisfied.

We accept applications in the fall and spring semesters, and there is no application deadline. However, ***WE DO NOT PROCESS APPLICATIONS DURING THE SUMMER.***

You must have been in the major at least ONE semester prior to the semester in which you plan to graduate - plan carefully. No one may apply and graduate in the same semester.

APPLICATION CHECKLIST:

Please compile your application in this order (processing of your application may be delayed if you do not include ALL of the following):

- ___ Application Information Sheet (attached) - Please type or print clearly.
- ___ Proposed Program in the ISF Major(attached)
- ___ Statement of Purpose/Application Essay - Please attach a typed essay (approximately 500 words/2 pages double-spaced) describing your proposed Area of Concentration.
- ___ Transcript of all college work - Unofficial copies are acceptable. Your name should appear on BEAR-FACTS copies. If you are using courses from other schools then you MUST include a transcript., If a transcript is unavailable, include a copy of your DARS report showing the transfer coursework, providing you submitted an official transcript to Admissions.
- ___ Current Class Schedule (if enrolled) – A printout is available from BEAR-FACTS.
- ___ Petition to Declare a Major (attached)
- ___ Program Planning Form /4 year plan (attached)

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Statement of Purpose - Application Essay Instructions - ISF Major

You should include a discussion of the issues, problems, issue or question you wish to explore, as well as the general fields you intend to include in your study. If you are uncertain how to begin, you may want to start by addressing a few of the questions below to begin thinking about how you might frame your statement. Finally, make certain that you develop your ideas adequately and that you present them coherently and clearly.

- 1. Is there a research question (issue, social problem, etc) you wish to answer? If so, what is that question?**
- 2. What are your disciplinary perspectives (sociology, economics, public health, philosophy, etc.)?**
- 3. Which courses have you taken already which reflect your primary research interests?**
- 4. Which courses do you plan to take? How will they support your research?**
- 5. Do you plan to study abroad and incorporate your work there into your research?**
- 6. Which languages do you speak?**
- 7. How will you incorporate your linguistic capacities into your research?**
- 8. What will be the topic of your senior thesis?**
- 9. Do you plan to continue this research after graduating from U.C. Berkeley?**
- 10. If you are a sophomore or junior, have you informed yourself about the research fellowships available at U.C. Berkeley?**

APPLICATION INFORMATION SHEET: ISF MAJOR

Name: _____ Student ID # _____ Date Entered UC _____
LOCAL
Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____
Local Phone: (_____) _____ E-mail address: _____

Please read CAREFULLY and initial:

Once you are admitted to ISF you will require a new Adviser Code (AC) each semester in order to enroll in classes through Tele-BEARS –only your faculty adviser can issue this to you in person.

In order to receive your AC you will need to complete a Tele-BEARS advising form and retrieve your student file (both available from 235 Evans) and meet with your faculty adviser. Studying abroad? You should e-mail your adviser and include a list of your intended classes and request your AC in advance of your Tele-BEARS appointment time.

PLEASE NOTE: ACs will not be released during summer or via email

_____ student initials _____ date

Area of Concentration: _____

World Civilization Prerequisite:

For the world civilization requirement(s) taken before declaring, a PASS grade either from UCB or a junior college will be acceptable. If the classes do not appear in the ISF Student Handbook, then you must have a faculty adviser initial below to indicate their approval. It is recommended that you provide a catalog description and syllabus of the course you wish to be considered, or a printout from www.assist.org.

Pre-1600: (EXAMPLE: The Golden Age of Greece, Classics 10A, B+, 3, Fall'90, UCB)

(Course Name) (Dept. and No.) (Grade) (Units) (Sem/Year) (where)

Post-1600: (EXAMPLE: Modern Europe, History 158A, B+, 3, Fall'05, UCB)

(Course Name) (Dept. and No.) (Grade) (Units) (Sem/Year) (where)

Faculty Adviser:

Please indicate below the faculty adviser with whom you wish to work. If no adviser is indicated, one will be assigned to you.

PROPOSED PROGRAM IN THE ISF MAJOR

Name: _____

Date: _____

--- ALL COURSES FOR THE MAJOR MUST BE TAKEN FOR A LETTER GRADE ---

Area of Concentration: _____

As a part of the application process for the ISF major, you are expected to prepare a proposed course plan for your Area of Concentration. **This plan is not necessarily final**, but it will be an aid in helping you organize your courses each semester. Select courses from relevant disciplines that you think will help you understand the problems or issues you have emphasized in your Area of Concentration.

Your list must include courses from at least **three** fields or disciplines. You will be required to take at least 6 upper division courses for your Area totaling at least 20 units. No more than **three** courses from any **one** discipline may be used for your Area of Concentration. You should include 8-10 courses to accommodate course availability, schedule flexibility, and change of heart.

COMPLETED Upper Division Courses for your Area of Concentration:

List upper division courses you have completed that you wish be included in your Area of Concentration.

EXAMPLE: Classics 100A, Greek Lit., (4), UCLA

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

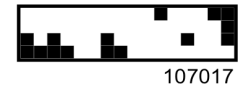
PROPOSED Upper Division Courses for your Area of Concentration:

PLEASE INCLUDE DEPT., COURSE #, TITLE, UNITS, & WHERE. EXAMPLE: Classics 100A, Greek Lit., (4), UCB

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____

When do you plan to enroll in the required ISF theory/methods and thesis classes:

ISF 100A _____ (Semester/Year)
ISF 100B/C/D/E/F _____ (Semester/Year)
ISF 190 or ISF H195 _____ (Semester/Year)



PETITION TO DECLARE A MAJOR

See reverse for instructions. Please print with dark ink.

effective term: Fall Spring year: _____

Student name

Student ID number

Postal address

Email address

Phone number

Status: New Continuing Readmit

Semester units completed (approximate): _____

See instructions on the reverse for additional forms that must be filed for options checked in this section:
 Double Major Change of L&S Major After 90 Units Change of College into L&S

Student's signature _____

Date _____

Major adviser's signature _____

Date _____

2nd Major adviser's signature (double majors only) _____

Date _____

Circle the Major or Majors You are Declaring

- 014 African American Studies
- 045 American Studies
- 063 Anthropology
- 090 Art
- 430 Art, History of
- 100 Asian American Studies
- Asian Studies
 - 095 China
 - 097 Japan
- 101 Astrophysics
- 147 Celtic Studies
- 153 Chemistry
- 160 Chicano Studies
- 169 Classical Civilizations
- 171 Classical Languages
- 179 Cognitive Science
- 192 Comparative Literature
- 201 Computer Science
- 2A1 Dance & Performance Studies
- 238 Development Studies
- 236 Dutch Studies
- East Asian Languages and Cultures
 - 469 Chinese
 - 470 Japanese
- Earth & Planetary Science
 - 1A6 Atmospheric Science
 - 3A0 Environmental Earth Science
 - 402 Geology
 - 405 Geophysics
 - 535 Marine Science
- 246 Economics
- 345 English
- 779 Environmental Economics & Policy
- 351 Environmental Sciences

- 360 Ethnic Studies
- 379 Film
- 387 French
- 9A1 Gender and Women's Studies
- 396 Geography
- 408 German
- 414 Greek
- 429 History
- 975 Integrative Biology
- 628 Interdisciplinary Studies
- 479 Italian Studies
- 495 Latin
- 498 Latin American Studies
- 497 Legal Studies
- 510 Linguistics
- 2A9 Media Studies
- 540 Mathematics
- 072 Mathematics - Applied
- 571 Middle Eastern Studies
- Molecular & Cell Biology
 - 966 Biochemistry & Molecular Biology
 - 967 Genetics, Genomics & Development
 - 968 Immunology & Pathogenesis
 - 971 Cell & Developmental Biology
 - 972 Neurobiology
- 579 Music
- 587 Native American Studies
- Near Eastern Studies
 - 5C1 Near Eastern Civilizations
 - 5C2 Ancient Egyptian & Near Eastern Art & Archaeology
- 588 Near Eastern Languages & Literatures

- 3D2 Operations Research and Management Science
- 631 Peace & Conflict Studies
- 651 Philosophy
- 657 Physical Science
- 666 Physics
- 2B2 Political Economy
- 699 Political Science
- 780 Psychology
- 789 Public Health
- 801 Religious Studies
- 807 Rhetoric
- 834 Scandinavian
- 849 Slavic Languages & Literatures
- 864 Social Welfare
- 867 Sociology
- 877 South & Southeast Asian Studies
- Spanish and Portuguese
 - 882 Spanish & Spanish American
 - 874 Luso-Brazilian
 - 866 Iberian
 - 907 Latin American
 - 919 Hispanic Languages & Bilingual Issues
- 891 Statistics
- 9A2 Theater & Performance Studies

Other _____

For College Use Only

Major code

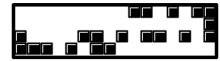
Additional major code(s)

Previous major code(s)

Approved by

Date

____ / ____ / 20____



PROGRAM PLANNING FORM

Student name

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Student ID number

Email address

Phone number

Major(s) / Intended

Graduation date

Total units

PLEASE CHECK ALL THAT APPLY:

- Double Major
- Change of College into Letters and Science
- Change of Major over 90 units
- Simultaneous Degree
- Readmission to: Fall ____ Spring ____
- Excess Units

PROPOSED SCHEDULE OF CLASSES:

Beginning with the CURRENT term, indicate all courses you plan to take, including those needed to complete major(s), college/school, and university requirements (see the *L&S Guide to Earning Your Degree* for details). **A minimum of 13 units must be listed** for each semester unless you are/will be approved for a reduced course list by Letters and Science.

Fall _____	Units
Total	

Spring _____	Units
Total	

Summer _____	Units
Total	

Fall _____	Units
Total	

Spring _____	Units
Total	

Summer _____	Units
Total	

Fall _____	Units
Total	

Spring _____	Units
Total	

Summer _____	Units
Total	

Major adviser

Date

Major adviser

Date

Approved by

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Date

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