

Humanities and Multi-Disciplinary Studies

Bachelor of Arts

2025-2026

General Areas of Service:

The major is designed especially for students who want to combine various fields of study that are often difficult to integrate in a university curriculum. The entire schedule of WWU course offerings is yours to explore as you and your mentor design a coherent and academically rigorous program of study that serves your interests and goals. By integrating training in writing, critical thinking, and the humanities with professional and technical training, graduates from this program will be attractive to employers and exceptionally well prepared for graduate school, medical school, law school, science programs, etc.

Students who wish to major in humanities and multi-disciplinary studies apply to the program, proposing—in consultation with their major advisor—a set of electives that build on the core curriculum and demonstrate a coherent academic focus. Ultimately, the research courses and research project in the major will help students demonstrate their cross-disciplinary knowledge and prepare them for a wide variety of professions and graduate programs, specifically those looking for applicants trained broadly in the humanities, sciences, and professions.

Professional Training: By combining humanities training with STEM or professional training, a student majoring in humanities and multi-disciplinary studies might pursue a career in medicine, dentistry, science, law, business, or a variety of pre-professional and professional programs.

Job Outlook: There is strong demand in many career tracks for graduates who can think critically, write well, communicate clearly, and function at a high level in a complex work environment. When combined with the professional training this major makes possible, students can find a career path that is specifically designed to meet their goals. Medical schools, law schools, and other professional programs are highly interested in students with an interdisciplinary and humanities background.

Note: Before graduation, some WWU students take an exit exam in their major field.

For majors in humanities and multi-disciplinary studies, this exam should be the GRE or an appropriate professional exam such as the MCAT, LSAT, or GMAT.

HUMANITIES AND MULTI-DISCIPLINARY STUDIES PROGRAM

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Suggested Degree Path

TOTAL CREDITS REQUIRED: 192 cr. GENERAL STUDIES REQUIREMENTS: 72-81 cr. [See the Undergraduate Bulletin for details](#)

The chart below details one suggested path a student may take to complete a bachelor's degree in humanities and multi-disciplinary studies. Because the program contains numerous electives, however, students' paths to graduation will vary widely. Students are encouraged to meet with Dr. [Gregory Dodds](#) to plan a schedule that works for them.

[All B.A. degrees require a minor](#)

Cognates are listed in *italics*.

Freshman Year

Fall Courses	Hours
Intro to Analytical Writing (ENGL 121)	3
History or Literature Course	4
Course from Science Sequence	4
General Studies	5
Total	16

Winter Courses	Hours
Intro to Research Writing (ENGL 122)	3
History or Literature Course	4
Course from Science Sequence	4
General Studies	4
P.E. Course	1
Total	16

Spring Courses	Hours
Quantitative Reasoning Course	4
History or Literature Course	4
Course from Science Sequence	4
General Studies	4
Total	16

Sophomore Year

Fall Courses	Hours
Research Writing (ENGL 223)	3
Privilege and Oppression (SOCI 236)	4
Course for Minor	4
General Studies Social Science Course	4
P.E. Course	1
Total	16

Winter Courses	Hours
Creative Writing Course	4
Humanities Elective	4
Course for Minor	4
General Studies Religion Course	4
Total	16

Spring Courses	Hours
Humanities Elective	4
STEM/Professional Elective	4
Course for Minor	4
General Studies Religion Course	4
Total	16

Junior Year

Fall Courses	Hours
Science & The Enlightenment (HMNT 360)	4
Course for Minor	4
Upper-Div. Lit. or Philosophy Course	4
STEM/Professional Elective	4
Total	16

Winter Courses	Hours
Course for Minor	4
Upper-Div. Lit. or Philosophy Course	4
Elective for Project	4
General Electives	4
Total	16

Spring Courses	Hours
Intro. to Scholarship (HMNT 391)	4
Course for Minor	4
General Studies Religion Courses	8
Total	16

Senior Year

Fall Courses	Hours
Seminar (HMNT 496)	2
Elective for Project	4
Course for Minor	4
General Electives	6
Total	16

Winter Courses	Hours
Seminar (HMNT 497)	2
Course for Minor	4
Elective for Project	4
General Electives	6
Total	16

Spring Courses	Hours
Seminar (HMNT 498)	1
General Electives	15
Total	16