

The Integrative Studies BS program is a flexible degree program designed for highly motivated, independent students who wish to pursue an interdisciplinary baccalaureate degree in educational areas where Ferris State University has appropriate faculty, facilities, and course work, but for which FSU does not have an existing baccalaureate degree program.

Within the individualized study program, a student could propose a program of study that crosses department or college disciplinary areas in an unconventional manner or creates a new configuration of areas of study. The proposed programs should not duplicate any existing FSU major.

In short, the program allows students to develop competencies from a variety of disciplines that will be well matched with their intended career and/or educational goals.

General Admission Criteria

Admission to the BIS degree requires a minimum 2.0 overall grade point average. Official high school transcript and official transcripts from all accredited colleges/universities must be submitted with the Ferris application. Financial Aid may be available and may include concurrent enrollment at both institutions.

Course Requirements

Mid Michigan College			
Course	Ferris Equiv.	Mid Michigan Course Titles	Cr. Hrs.
SPE 257	COMM 121	Public Speaking	3
ENG 111	ENGL 150	Freshman English Composition	3
ENG 112	ENGL 250	Introduction to Literature	3
Mid Michigan CC	VARIES	FSU General Education – Natural Sciences (one must be a lab)	7-8
MAT 105	MATH 115	Intermediate Algebra	3
Mid Michigan CC	VARIES	FSU General Education - Culture (one must be at the 200+ level)	9
Mid Michigan CC	VARIES	FSU General Education – Self and Society (one must be at the 200+ level)	9
Mid Michigan CC or Ferris**	VARIES	Program of Study Coursework	52-53
Total Mid Michigan College Credits			90

Please refer to FSU's General Education Requirements at:
<http://www.ferris.edu/HTMLS/academics/gened/index.htm>.

Students transferring to Ferris with the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA) and entering a degree program will have met a 30-hour block of lower-level general education courses. However, this does not exempt students from completing program specific prerequisites or higher-level general education course requirements. Students should contact their advisor regarding classes that meet the MTA.

Students are encouraged to work with their Ferris advisor for selection of any electives, to ensure transferability and to minimize credits taken.

Ferris State University		
Course	Ferris Course Titles	Cr. Hrs.
ENGL 321	Advanced Composition	3
COAS 495	Integrative Studies Orientation	1-4
COAS 495	Integrative Studies Capstone	1-4
COAS 491	Internship (recommended)	1-8
VARIES**	Program of Study Coursework	11 - 24
Total Ferris Credits		30
Credits Required for Degree		120

** Program of Study coursework may be taken from Mid Michigan or Ferris State, after approval by advisor. Ferris requires a minimum of 30 FSU credits for graduation.

Program Offered at:
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 College of Arts and Sciences
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General Admission Criteria**Transfer Students – Degree Completion at the Community College**

- To be admitted to this degree program, either a completed associate degree or at least 48 transferable semester credit hours (“C” or better on 4.0 scale) from an accredited college or university with a 2.35 overall GPA and credit for, or placement into, ENGL 150 and MATH 115 is required. Official transcripts from all accredited colleges and universities must be submitted with the Ferris application.

Transfer Students – Big Rapids Main Campus

- Combined college or university GPA of 2.35 (on a 4.0 scale) from all institutions attended (GPA is based on completion of 12 credit hours or more). It is highly recommended that transfer credits include the FSU equivalency of ENGL 150, MATH 115, and the FSU equivalency of a social awareness or cultural enrichment course OR general education requirements. Developmental courses are not considered in computing the GPA requirement.
- Transfer equivalency for FSU ENGL 150 or placement during the first semester at FSU that would require an ACT English score of 16 or higher; Compass score 70 – 100.
- Transfer equivalency for FSU MATH 115 or placement during the first semester at FSU that would require an ACT Math score of 19 or higher; Compass Algebra score 46 - 74 and HS Algebra with 2.0.

Advising Notes

It is recommended that potential applicants meet with an advisor to review the degree, course schedule, and have any questions answered prior to completing an application. Students who are completing the MTA may have different general education course requirements for the particular degree selected. Meeting with a Ferris advisor prior to the selection of general education or elective course work may reduce the chance of completing a course that will not apply toward the selected degree. Once admitted, students must continue to meet with an advisor as they work toward graduation.

Transfer Student Orientation

All new students to Ferris State University are required to complete an orientation.

Online Learning

Select courses delivered online and/or in a mixed delivery format (i.e. a mix of online and face-to-face instruction at the Ferris Main Campus or at an off-campus location). The “Online Readiness Tutorial” is required for students who register for an online *course* or are completing an online *degree*. Students must demonstrate competency in Blackboard skills. This may be done by taking a tutorial and quiz, or, for students who have already taken and passed online courses, they can submit a waiver request. Students should check with the department that offers the class to determine its particular needs and/or the Ferris advisor regarding registration for online course work.

Reverse Transfer Agreement

The Community College and Ferris have entered into a partnership in order to work collaboratively and creatively to increase student completion of associate and bachelor degrees. The partners work together to provide a seamless transfer experience and increase student retention and completion at both the community college and Ferris.

Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA)

Ferris participates in the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA). This agreement will facilitate the transfer of general education requirements from one Michigan institution to another. Students may complete the MTA as part of a degree program or as a stand-alone package. The MTA consists of a minimum of 30 general education credit hours as identified by the college or university.

Disclaimer

This is a guide for students who plan to transfer to Ferris State University. This guide is not intended to be a contract with Ferris. The information on this guide is subject to change. Students should contact their community college or Ferris to keep informed of changes. Final responsibility for verifying all transfer information lies with the student. Please refer to the effective and/or revised date on the bottom of the guide.