

**Proposed BIS Concentration (this is not an Educational Contract)**

Please read directions on page 1 before continuing

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ SID#: G

Proposed Title(s): \_\_\_\_\_ OR \_\_\_\_\_

**Course List**

<b>Discipline One:</b>				<b>Discipline Two:</b>			
Course Prefix/Num	Course Title	Credit Hours/Institution		Course Prefix/Num	Course Title	Credit Hours/Institution	

Total Discipline 1 Credits: \* \_\_\_\_\_

Total Discipline 2 Credits\*: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>BIS Coursework</b>				<b>Additional Discipline (if applicable):</b>			
BIS 300	Understanding Interdisciplinary Studies	3	GMU				
BIS 390	Research Process	3	GMU				
BIS 490	Senior Project	3	GMU				
BIS 491	Senior Project Presentation	1	GMU				

Total BIS Credits: 10

Total Discipline 3 Credits\*: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*For each discipline, list alternatives on page 1**

**Total Credits  
(34-46):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Approved  
by BIS:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Initials/Date

## Instructions for Preparing your BIS Proposed Concentration

1. Please note that this is **NOT** an educational contract. *This is your proposed concentration*, which, if approved by the BIS Director, *may* be used as a draft of a concentration that would meet the technical requirements of the BIS degree. Your **faculty mentor** retains primary responsibility for approving the academic content that will be included on your official educational contract. See [BIS Liaison list](#) on the website for departmental contacts.

2. On the second page: List the courses for your **Proposed BIS Concentration**. \* BIS courses are already listed for you. Be sure to include **all** requested information on each course.

A. Courses that would be used to fulfill your general education requirements (e.g. ENGL 302) **cannot** be listed.

B. Concentration **must** include a minimum of 25 hours of upper division credits **and** 25 credits must be from GMU.

C. If a course is not offered at GMU, indicate the institution at which the course is offered. Previously completed coursework may be included. No more than 9 credits of transfer courses should be included in the concentration.

D. Be sure to include alternative courses for each discipline.

E. Consider BIS 489 Directed Readings and Research and propose possible topic.

F. It is the student's responsibility to be sure that all prerequisites will be satisfied by the time the courses listed are taken.

G. **Minors:** Per the university catalog, for students pursuing the individualized study concentration, 15 credits of the minor must be applied uniquely to the minor and not to the concentration. For students pursuing the concentration in early childhood studies, the minor is required and included in the credits applied to the concentration.

\* Your concentration should contain 34-46 credit hours, including BIS 300, 390, 490 and 491.

**IN ORDER TO GRADUATE ALL STUDENTS MUST MEET MASON'S REQUIREMENT OF  
120 TOTAL CREDITS, 30 RESIDENT HOURS, AND 45 UPPER-LEVEL CREDITS.**

3. Students may not register for BIS 490 and BIS 491 until all but 6.0 semester hours in their concentration have been completed.

Alternatives:				
Discipline	Course Prefix/Num	Course Title	Credit Hours/Institution	
1.				
2.				
3.				