



Interdisciplinary Studies

ACCELERATED MASTERS (BAM)

MAIS: A Master's With A Mission

The Interdisciplinary Studies (MAIS) program consists of multiple established degree paths that exist in partnership with academic units and faculty across the University. It offers a home for students with broad academic interests who seek a master's degree to help them to create a better world. While their degree paths may vary dramatically, our students share a desire to address critical problems facing the world today.

BAM Class Options Available in MAIS

For the most up-to-date information regarding the BAM program in general or the MAIS BAM options, including application and degree requirements, visit: chss.gmu.edu/accelerated-masters/about
mais.gmu.edu/prospective/for-undergraduates

Social Justice and Human Rights (SJHR)

Imagining, creating and sustaining a more equitable, just, and humane world

Advanced Standing Courses

INTS 540 Contemporary Issues in Social Justice Human Rights

INTS 534 Research for Social Change

INTS 537 Critical Race Studies

INTS 538 Representations of Race (4 credits)

WMST 504 Gender, Sexuality, and Disability

WMST 602 Queer Theory

WMST 608 Gender, Sexuality, and Human Rights

WMST 630 Feminist Theories

PHIL 643 Environmental Ethics

PUAD 540 Public Policy Process

PUAD 649 Advocacy and Lobbying

Reserve Graduate Credit Courses

INTS 534 Research for Social Change

INTS 537 Critical Race Studies

INTS 538 Representations of Race

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PHIL 643 Environmental Ethics

PUAD 540 Public Policy Process

PUAD 649 Advocacy and Lobbying

Social Entrepreneurship (SOCE)

Engaging with real-world issues, committing to social justice and caring for human dignity

Advanced Standing Courses

INTS 550 Social Innovation In Action

INTS 535 Leadership in a Changing Environment

INTS 540 Contemporary Issues in Social Justice Human Rights

GBUS 540 Analysis of Financial Decisions

Reserve Graduate Credit Courses

PUAD 505 Introduction to Management of Nonprofits

PUAD 540 Public Policy Process

War and the Military in Society (WMS)

The study of war and security in the past, present, and future

Advanced Standing Courses

GOVT 605 International Relations

HIST 607 Topics in the American Civil War Era

HIST 631 Era of the American Revolution

PUBP 504 Grand Strategy

PUBP 506 Ethics and the Use of Force

Reserve Graduate Credit Courses

BIOD 609 Biodefense Strategy

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Religious Studies (RELI)

Inquiry into religion as an organizing principle in society

Advanced Standing Courses

- RELI 600** Interdisciplinary Pathways in the Study of Religion
- RELI 630** Theories and Methods in the Study of Religion
- RELI 632** Interreligious Dialogue
- RELI 633** Issues in Religious Ethics
- RELI 640** Religion and Law
- RELI 591** Special Topics in Religious Studies

Reserve Graduate Credit Courses

- RELI 600** Interdisciplinary Pathways in the Study of Religion
- RELI 630** Theories and Methods in the Study of Religion
- RELI 632** Interreligious Dialogue
- RELI 633** Issues in Religious Ethics
- RELI 640** Religion and Law
- RELI 591** Special Topics in Religious Studies

Women and Gender Studies (WGST)

Combining research, teaching, and activism focusing on the intersections among gender, sexuality, race and class

Advanced Standing Courses

- WMST 504** Gender, Sexuality, and Disability
- WMST 602** Queer Theory
- WMST 608** Gender, Sexuality, and Human Rights
- WMST 610** Feminist Research Methods
- WMST 630** Feminist Theories
- WMST 640** Transnational Issues of Gender & Race

Reserve Graduate Credit Courses

- WMST 504** Gender, Sexuality, and Disability
- WMST 602** Queer Theory
- WMST 608** Gender, Sexuality, and Human Rights
- WMST 610** Feminist Research Methods
- WMST 630** Feminist Theories
- WMST 640** Transnational Issues of Gender & Race

Energy and Sustainability (EAS)

Training the sustainability professionals of the future

Advanced Standing Courses

- ECON 695** Special Topics in Economics (when the topic involves environmental or sustainability issues)
- EVPP 533** Energy Policy
- EVPP 642** Environmental Policy
- GGG 507** Geographic Approaches for Sustainable Development
- GLOA 605** Interdisciplinary Research Methods
- PHIL 643** Environmental Ethics
- PHYS 581** Topics in Renewable Energy

Reserve Graduate Credit Courses

- ECON 695** Special Topics in Economics
- EVPP 533** Energy Policy
- EVPP 642** Environmental Policy
- GGG 507** Geographic Approaches for Sustainable Development
- GLOA 605** Interdisciplinary Research Methods
- PHIL 643** Environmental Ethics
- PHYS 581** Topics in Renewable Energy

Computational Social Science (CSS)

Merging social science with computer programming & modeling

Advanced Standing Courses

- CSS 600** Introduction to Computational Social Science
- CSS 605** Object-Oriented Modeling in Social Science
- CSS 610** Agent-based Modeling and Simulation
- CSS 620** Origins of Social Complexity

Reserve Graduate Credit Courses

- CSS 600** Introduction to Computational Social Science
- CSS 605** Object-Oriented Modeling in Social Science
- CSS 610** Agent-based Modeling and Simulation
- CSS 620** Origins of Social Complexity
- CSS 625** Complexity Theory in the Social Sciences
- CSS 645** Spatial Agent-Based Models of Human-Environment Interactions
- CSS 692** Social Network Analysis