(Virginia)

Master of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies (MAIS)—Individualized Studies

**Program Path:** 

**IDS Type: Unrestricted IDS\*** 

**Program Type: Foundational IDS Program** 

Description: The Master of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies is for students who seek master's degrees that integrate knowledge from several disciplines. The program addresses the rapidly evolving demand for unique graduate study by promoting advanced scholarship that transcends traditional disciplinary boundaries. The MAIS program also offers students the opportunity to design their own Individualized program to meet the special needs of their careers. The program also offers11 structured interdisciplinary tracks (information on these tracts available at the website): Community College Teaching (in Communication, Information Systems, English, Math, Spanish, or Teaching English as a Second Language [TESL]), Computational Social Science, Energy and Sustainability, Folklore, Higher Education (Administration or Student Services), Religion, Culture and Values, Video-Based Production, War and the Military in Society, Women and Gender Studies, and Zoo & Aquarium Leadership. (From website.)

## **Program Structure:**

Admission Requirements: Application, MAIS Departmental Application Form (available at the website), Official Undergraduate Transcripts, Resumé, Statement of Goals (200-300 words), Writing Sample (1000 words), (3) Letters of Recommendation

**Credit Hours: 36 credits** 

Required Coursework: 4 credits, One Research Methodology & Proposal Writing course

**Individually Selected Coursework: 21-36 credits, Electives** 

Exit Courses & Work: 2-5 credits, 5 credits for thesis OR 2-5 credits for project

Established Department(s) of Focus: Open (\*One of the two disciplines must be in one of the departments in the College of Humanities and Social Science)

**Program Statistics:** 

Faculty: No IDS specific faculty information available

**Students: Resident students only** 

Program History: No information available

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