INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

M.S.

Master of Science - Interdisciplinary Studies

Thesis: 30

Non-Thesis: 36

Required Cumulative GPA: 3.0

Notes

Prospective students must choose from the following options:

30 Credit Thesis Option
Students must complete 30 credits of G- and UG- coursework; students
must do the graduate increment of the UG- classes. Students will
complete thesis proposal (format to be determined by the student’s
graduate committee) approximately one year after beginning the
program. Students must satisfactorily complete an oral defense of the
thesis.

36 Credit Non-Thesis Option
Students must complete 36 credits of G- and UG- coursework; students
must do the graduate increment of the UG- classes. Students must
satisfactorily complete:

1. Comprehensive exam, format to be determined by the student’s
   graduate committee; and
2. One of three options:
3. Professional paper – a publishable quality paper, which shall consists
   of an article-length, monographic study, based substantially on
   primary sources.
4. Three short critical papers or products that show creative work –
   merit to be judged by your graduate committee.
5. A paper submitted to a nationally recognized journal

The Interdisciplinary Masters program has a unique application process,
which prospective students are encouraged to read closely.

The M.A./M.S. program website (https://www.umt.edu/grad/explore/
interdisciplinary-graduate-programs/prospective-students/mis.php) lays
out the structure of the coursework and the committee membership
that each candidate proposes as part of their application process. Each
applicant must submit a Plan of Study, created in consultation with
prospective committee members.