

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 consist 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.