University Integrative Studies Substitution Summary

This summary provides a starting point for planning substitution courses for IAH, ISS, ISB, and ISP, but is not an exhaustive list. Note that any substitution course not listed in the appropriate category on the SIS degree audit requires approval from an Honors College advisor using the Honors College University Requirements Substitution Request. Click here for more information.

ONLY HONORS SECTIONS in IAH, ISS, ISB and ISP departments are acceptable in fulfilling University Integrative Studies.

1 course in WRITING (replaces WRA 101)

WRA 195H or an approved departmental course in consultation with an Honors College advisor—should cover composition, critical reading and research skill development.

HONORS OPTIONS in Integrative Studies courses (IAH, ISS, ISB/P) will not fulfill University Integrative Studies requirements.

2 courses in the SOCIAL SCIENCE area (replaces ISS)

Psychology - most PSY courses 200 & above, excluding 295 (PSY 101H - Honors Section Only)
Human Development & Family Studies - HDFS 211, 212, 225 plus some 300-400 level
Social Work - SW 200
Economics - most EC
Political Science - PLS 160 & above, excluding 201 & 202
Sociology - most SOC courses 200 & above
Criminal Justice - CJ 220, 275 plus some 300-400 level courses
Anthropology - most ANP, excluding 205
Geography - most GEO courses 200 & above, excluding technical courses, excluding 221 & 324

2 courses in the ARTS AND HUMANITIES area (replaces IAH)

Philosophy - PHL 130 & above
Political Philosophy - only PLS 170, 371, 372
Religious Studies - REL 102 & above
Linguistics - LIN 200, 225, 401 plus some 400 level
Music and Theater - *MUS/THR w/history, literature, or culture focus
- MUS 214
- THR 110N, 330, 350
History of Art - most HA, excluding HA 100
English - ENG 204-206, 210, 211H, 218, 231, 280 & above
World Languages - some 300-400 level w/history, literature, or culture focus
History - HST 140 & Above, excluding 201
Anthropology - ANP Archaeology courses only i.e. 203, 264
Women's Studies - most WS courses 201 & above

Courses that are not acceptable:
- skill-based/practice-based (i.e. music performance, language-learning); research methodology; required on the primary degree
- Substitution courses must be 3-4 credits and above the introductory level
- A syllabus may need to be submitted to your Honors College Advisor for “Special Topics” courses

2 courses in the NATURAL SCIENCE area (replaces ISB/P)

Biological Sciences - BS, most IBIO, PSL
MMG 141, 201
ENT 205
PLB 105
CJ 210
Physical/Earth Sciences - CEM, GLG, PHY
ANP 206
PSY 209
GEO 203, 206, 302 & 303

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