

Marymount California University
Multidisciplinary Studies BA Required Courses Checklist

Effective Fall 2021

REQUIRED MDS COURSES	Prerequisite	Core	Offered	Completed
CS 280/280H – Intro. to Data Analysis (4) <i>Lab fee</i>		A2, R2	F/SP	
One course from: AM 250 Professional Careers in Communication Media (4) BUS 265 Career Planning and Preparation Seminar (2) CJ 460 Seminar in Criminal Justice (4) PSY 350 Junior Seminar in Psychology (4) SCI 342 Science Career Seminar (4)	CJ 101 PSY 150 SCI 233 or 241 or 315	R1, PS4 R1 R1, R2, R3 R1, R2, R3 A3, R1	F F/SP F F/SP SP	
ID 250 Introduction to Multidisciplinary Studies (4)		A3, R1	F	
ID 350 Multidisciplinary Studies Junior Seminar (4)	Jr. Standing, ENG 112/112H	C1	SP	
ID 498 Multidisciplinary Studies Senior Project (4)	ID 350; Sr. standing; chair approval; all AA Core requirements	R3	F/SP	

MCU BA CORE COMPETENCY REQUIREMENTS OUTSIDE OF THE MAJOR	Core	Completed
Written Communication I - ENG 112/112H	C1	
Oral Communication - BUS 230 or CAR 105 or 145	C2	
Information Literacy - ID 230 (1)	A1	
Career Related Technology – 1 additional course from: ACCT 340; AM 104, 120, 122, 132, 141, 151, 203, 204, 214, 222, 232, 241, 242, 251, 252, 261, 271, 303, 310, 311, 312, 314, 324, 334, 351, 400, 403, 410, 413; BUS 350, 360, 380, 388, 452, 460; CAR 401; CJ 301, 460; CS 180, 183, 195, 196, 210, 500; PSY 240, 350; SCI 316, 330, 341, 380	R2	
Catholic History & Thought – One course from: PHI 325; REL 102, 103, 112, 120, 130/130H, 230, 310	PS1	
Global or Cross-Cultural/Diversity - 1 course from: AM 201, 211, 304, 305; BUS 535; CAR 301, 332, 401; CJ 362; ECO 135, 400, 410; GS 241, 405; HIS 100, 101, 330; ID 302H; POL 240; PSY 280, 340; REL 130/130H; SOC 100, 250; SPA 200; THE 310	PS2	
The Natural World - 1 course with a SCI prefix (Other than 136, 321, 342, 443, and 1-unit lab classes) or BUS 301; CJ 200; ECO 400, 410; GEO 108; GS 220; ID 233H, 300H; PSY 370, 445	PS3	
Creative Thinking - 1 course from: AM (AM exclusions: 107, 207, 307, 407, 450, Internship, and Practicum courses), MUS; THE; BUS 315, 316, 415, 454; ENG 120, 125, 140, 310; ID 111, 200H, 430H	PS4	
Ethical Reasoning - 1 course from: ACCT 385; BUS 240; CJ 331; ID 200H, 430H; PHI 100, 110, 150, 215, 315; PSY 240	PS5	

CHOOSE 2 OF 11 AREAS OF EMPHASIS:	Units	Units
1. Accounting (Math 270 recommended)	24	7. Criminal Justice (Math 270 recommended) 24
2. Arts	24	8. Digital Communication 24
3. Biology (Math 105 or 111 recommended)	25	9. Human Performance (Math 105 or 111 recommended) 24
4. Business (Math 270 recommended)	24	10. Philosophy 24
5. Chemistry (Math 105 or 111 recommended)	26	11. Psychology (PSY 235 required) 24
6. Computer Science (Math 105 or 111 recommended)	24	

MINIMUM UNITS TO EARN A BA = 120 Any college level course listed in the catalog or accepted as transfer credit may be taken as an elective to fulfill the 120-degree requirement in this degree program.	Completed units	
	In-progress units	
	Planned/remaining units	
	TOTAL UNITS	

MDS emphasis requirements

EMPHASIS 1: ACCOUNTING - 24 units					
REQUIRED		Prerequisite	Core	Offered	Completed
ACCT 151 *	Financial Accounting (4)			F/SP	
ACCT 201	Managerial Accounting (4)	ACCT 151		F/SP	
ACCT 340	Accounting Information Systems (4)	ACCT 151	R2	F	
ACCT 453	Auditing (4)	ACCT 151		SP	
And 8 units from:					
ACCT 351	Intermediate Accounting I (4)	ACCT 201		F	
ACCT 352	Intermediate Accounting II (4)	ACCT 351		SP	
ACCT 353	Federal Income Taxation I (4)	ACCT 151		F	
ACCT 391/491	Accounting Internship (4)			F/SP/SU	
BUS 380	Corporate Finance (4)	ACCT 151 & MTH 270		F/SP	

*ACCT 151 is the only course that may count in another area. If 151 & 201 used in another major, 20 additional units are required in the emphasis.

EMPHASIS 2: ARTS -24 units					
REQUIRED		Prerequisite	Core	Offered	Completed
AM 120	Digital Foundations (4) <i>Lab fee</i>		R2, PS4, PS5	F/SP	
1 theory class from:	AM 101, 102, 105, 112, 201, 202, 211, 221, 301, 305, 306, 308, ID 111, 200H (list course below)				
AM/ID					
AM, THE, or ID ELECTIVES	16 units (4 units minimum upper division) <i>Theory class above may not be used in this area too.</i>				
AM/THE/ID 111, 200H					
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EMPHASIS 3: BIOLOGY - 25 units					
REQUIRED		Prerequisite	Core	Offered	Completed
SCI 115 or SCI 220	Fundamentals of Chemistry (5 units) or General Chemistry I (5)		PS3	F	
SCI 240	General Biology I (4)	SCI 115 or 220#	PS3	F	
SCI 241	General Biology II (4)	SCI 240	PS3	SP	
SCI 242	General Biology III (4)	SCI 241	PS3	F	

or passing score on the Chemistry placement exam

ELECTIVES- 8 units (4 units minimum upper division) from: SCI 130, 132, 133, 136, 150*, 155**, 160, 170, 233, 246, 320, 330*, 333, 340, 341, 342, 350**, 380, 440, 442					
	Prerequisite	Core	Offered	Completed	
SCI					
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NOTES:

If the second emphasis is Human Performance, SCI 132, 133, 246 may not be used as electives in Biology. Elective courses must be unique to each emphasis. For example, if SCI 130 is being used as a Biology elective, it may not also be used as a Human Performance elective.
 *SCI 150 and 330 may not both be used. Students must choose one to apply to degree if both have been taken.
 **SCI 155 and 350 may not both be used. Students must choose one to apply to degree if both have been taken.

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EMPHASIS 4: BUSINESS - 24 units				
REQUIRED		Core	Offered	Completed
ACCT 151	Financial Accounting (4)		F/SP	
BUS 110	Intro. to Business (4)		F/SP	
ECO 220	Microeconomics (4)	A3	F/SP	
ELECTIVES	12 ACCT, BUS or ECON units (8 units minimum upper division or graduate)			

EMPHASIS 5: CHEMISTRY - 26 units					
REQUIRED		Prerequisite	Core	Offered	Completed
SCI 220	General Chemistry I (5)		R3, PS3	F	
SCI 221	General Chemistry II (5)	SCI 220	R3, PS3	SP	
SCI 315	Organic Chemistry I (5)	SCI 221	A3, R3, PS3	F	
SCI 316	Organic Chemistry II (5)	SCI 315	A3, R2, R3, PS3	SP	
SCI 320	Biochemistry (4)	SCI 316	PS3	F	
SCI 321	Biochemistry Lab (2)	SCI 320	PS3	SP	

EMPHASIS 6: COMPUTER SCIENCE – 24 units					
REQUIRED		Prerequisite	Core	Offered	Completed
CS 195	Programming and Problem Solving (4)		R2	F	
CS 196	Intro. to Java Programming (4)		R2		
CS 210	Intro. to C Programming Language (4)		R2	SP	
Choose Game Design or Web Design 3-course sequence -12-units					
Game Design: AM 203 and AM 310 and AM 410	Digital 3d Modeling (4) <i>Lab fee</i> and Digital Game Design I (4) <i>Lab fee</i> and Digital Game Design II <i>Lab fee</i> (4)	AM 203 AM 303 & 310	R2, PS4 R2, R3, PS4 R2, R3, PS4		
Web Design: AM 104 and AM 204 and AM 334	Introductory HTML & PHP (4) <i>Lab fee</i> and Website Design I (4) <i>Lab fee</i> and Website Technologies (4) <i>Lab fee</i>		R2, PS4 R2, R3, PS4 R2, R3, PS4	SP	

EMPHASIS 7: CRIMINAL JUSTICE - 24 units					
REQUIRED:		Prerequisite	Core	Offered	Completed
CJ 101	Intro to. Criminal Justice (4 units)			F/SP	
CJ 121	Concepts of Criminal Law (4)			SP	
CJ 301	Strategic Communications (4)	CJ101	C1	F/SP	
ELECTIVES	12 Criminal Justice units (8 minimum upper division)				
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EMPHASIS 8: DIGITAL COMMUNICATION – 24 units					
REQUIRED		Prerequisite	Core	Offered	Completed
AM 120	Digital Foundations (4)		R2, PS4, PS5	F/SP	
AM 122 or AM 204	Video Production Methods I (4) Website Design I (4)		R2, R3, PS4 R2, R3, PS4	F SP	
CAR 145	Communication Structures (4)		C2	SP	
ELECTIVES	12 AM or CAR or ID 111, 200H units (4 units minimum upper division)				
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EMPHASIS 9: HUMAN PERFORMANCE - 24 units					
REQUIRED		Prerequisite	Core	Offered	Completed
SCI 132	Anatomy (4)		PS3	F	
SCI 133	Physiology (4)		PS3	SP	
SCI 233	Science of Human Performance (4)	SCI 130, 132, 133, 135, 140, 145, 150, 155, 160, 170, 240, 241, 242, or 246	PS3	F	
SCI 246	Nutrition (4)		PS3	SP	
SCI 333	Exercise Physiology (4)	SCI 233 or 241	PS3	SP	
SCI 334	Ergogenic Aids in Sports (4)		PS3	SP	

EMPHASIS 10: PHILOSOPHY – 24 units					
REQUIRED		Prerequisite	Core	Offered	Completed
PHI 100 or PHI 110 or PHI 150	Contemporary Moral Issues (4) Ethics (4) Human Nature and Values (4)		PS5 PS5 PS5	F/SP	
PHI 120	Intro. to Philosophy: History (4)		A3	F	
PHI 130	Logic (4)		A3		
PHI 145	Philosophy of Religion (4)		PS5	SP	
ELECTIVES	8 units upper division Philosophy or Religious Studies				
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EMPHASIS 11: PSYCHOLOGY – 24 units					
REQUIRED		Prerequisite	Core	Offered	Completed
PSY 150	General Psychology (4)			F/SP	
PSY 235 or MTH 270	Statistics (4)		A2	F/SP	
ELECTIVES	16 Psychology units (8 units minimum upper division)				
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