



UNIVERSITY of WASHINGTON

Michael K. Young  
President

November 27, 2013

Dean Bruce Burgett  
School of Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences  
University of Washington, Bothell  
Box 358530

Dear Bruce:

Based upon the recommendations of the Executive Council, the General Faculty Organization has recommended approval of the conversion of the option in Media and Communication Studies within the Bachelor of Arts degree in Interdisciplinary Studies to a Bachelor of Arts degree in Media and Communication Studies. A copy of the change is attached.

I am writing to inform you that the School of Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences is authorized to specify these requirements beginning autumn quarter 2013.

The new requirements should be incorporated in printed statements and in individual department websites as soon as possible. The *General Catalog* website will be updated accordingly by the Registrar's Office.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael K. Young".

Michael K. Young  
President

Enclosure

cc: Ms. Rachel Foote (with enclosure)  
Mr. Robert Corbett (with enclosure)  
Ms. Virjean Edwards (with enclosure)



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CREATING AND CHANGING UNDERGRADUATE  
ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

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Control # BIS-20121029D

After college/school/campus review, send a signed original and 1 copy to the Curriculum Office/FCAS, Box 355850.

For information about when and how to use this form: <http://depts.washington.edu/uwcr/1503instructions.pdf>

<b>College/Campus</b> Bothell	<b>Department/Unit</b> Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences	<b>Date</b> 10/29/2012
<b>New Programs</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Leading to a Bachelor of _____ in _____ degree. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Leading to a Bachelor of <u>Arts</u> degree with a major in <u>Media and Communication Studies</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Leading to a _____ Option within the existing major in _____. <input type="checkbox"/> Leading to a minor in _____		
<b>Changes to Existing Programs</b> <input type="checkbox"/> New Admission Requirements for the Major in _____ within the Bachelor of _____. <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Admission Requirements for the Major in _____ within the Bachelor of _____. <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Program Requirements for the Major in _____ within the Bachelor of _____. <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Requirements for the Option in _____ within the major in _____. <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Requirements for the Minor in _____		
<b>Other Changes</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Change name of program from <u>BA with a major in Interdisciplinary Studies; Media and Communication Studies</u> to <u>BA with a major in Media and Communication Studies</u> . <input type="checkbox"/> New or Revised Continuation Policy for _____. <input type="checkbox"/> Eliminate program in _____		

Proposed Effective Date: **Quarter:** ☒ Autumn ☐ Winter ☐ Spring ☐ Summer **Year:** 20 13

Contact Person: Rachel Foote	Phone: 2-3280	Email: rfoote@uwb.edu	Box: 358530
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**EXPLANATION OF AND RATIONALE FOR PROPOSED CHANGE**

For new program, please include any relevant supporting documentation such as student learning outcomes, projected enrollments, letters of support and departmental handouts. (Use additional pages if necessary).

Transitioning the current options offered under the Interdisciplinary Studies major to independent majors is a strategic imperative for the School of Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences (IAS). When IAS first began offering degrees in 1990, the challenge was to offer a broad range of courses on a newly created campus, so the program developed distinct transcribed degrees under a single Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Studies (later Interdisciplinary Studies). In Autumn 2010, the 8 transcribed options offered by IAS were converted into majors.

Our current options (Law, Economics and Public Policy; Individualized Study; Mathematical Thinking and Visualization; and Media and Communication Studies) were developed and approved 2010 - 2012. On an organizational level, these options function on equal footing with the BA degrees offered by IAS. This change simply marks a step up in formalization; a shift in the status of these transcribed degrees that enhances their recognition to external audiences. The curricular content is intact.

**OTHER DEPARTMENTS AFFECTED**

List all departments/units/ or co-accredited programs affected by your new program or changes to your existing program and acquire the signature of the chair/director of each department/unit listed. Attach additional page(s) if necessary. \*See online instructions.

Department/Unit:	Chair/Program Director:	Date:
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#### CATALOG COPY

Catalog Copy as currently written. Include only sections/paragraphs that would be changed if your request is approved. Please cross out or otherwise highlight any deletions.

#### **Media and Communication Studies (MCS) Option**

(Classes in this option are offered primarily during day time hours.)

Media and Communication Studies Option (MCS) Requirements:

- BIS 300 Interdisciplinary Inquiry (5 credits)
- MCS Core Course (5 credits)
- MCS Communication Practice & Media Production Courses (10 credits)
- MCS Tier One Courses (15 credits)
- MCS Tier One, Tier Two OR Communication Practice & Media Production Courses (10 credits)
- Additional IAS Coursework: BIS or BES prefix (20 credits)
- BIS 499 Portfolio Capstone (3 credits)
- General Electives (22 credits)
- Completion of the IPR requirement and a minimum of 25 credits in each Area of Knowledge (with 10 credits in each Area completed at UW Bothell).

TOTAL= 90 credits

#### PROPOSED CATALOG COPY

Reflecting requested changes (Include exact wording as you wish it to be shown in the printed catalog. Please underline or otherwise highlight any additions. If needed, attach a separate, expanded version of the changes that might appear in department publications).  
**Please note:** all copy will be edited to reflect uniform style in the General Catalog.

#### **Media and Communication Studies (BA)**

(Classes in this major are offered primarily during day time hours.)

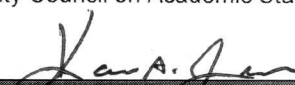
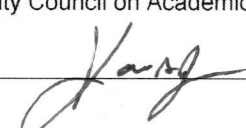
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#### APPROVALS

Chair/Program Director:	Date:
College/School/Campus Curriculum Committee:	Date:
Dean/Vice Chancellor:	Date:

Faculty Council on Academic Standards/ General Faculty Organization/Faculty Assembly Chair:	Date:
	Aug. 1, 2013
<b>POST TRI-CAMPUS APPROVAL (when needed)</b>	
Faculty Council on Academic Standards/ General Faculty Organization/Faculty Assembly Chair:	Date:
	Aug. 1, 2013

Bothell: Conversion of option in Media and Communication Studies within the Bachelor of Arts degree in Interdisciplinary Studies to a Bachelor of Arts degree in Media and Communication Studies (BIS-20121029D)

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**UWCR**  
uwcr  
Board owner

*Posted Jan 24, 2013 2:19 PM*

Please review the attached 1503 pdf requesting to convert the existing option in Media and Communication Studies within the Bachelor of Arts degree in Interdisciplinary Studies to a Bachelor of Arts degree in Media and Communication Studies at the Bothell campus and post comments by 5:00 pm on Thursday, February 14th.

If you have any problems viewing the attachment or need disability accommodations, please contact the University Curriculum Office at [uwcr@uw.edu](mailto:uwcr@uw.edu).

Attachments:



**UNIVERSITY CAMPUSES UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM REVIEW PROCEDURES\*\***

**CHECKLIST**

Title of Proposal: Bachelor of Arts degree in Media and Communication  
Studies (BIS-20121029D)

Proposed by (unit name): Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences

Originating Campus:

☐ UW, Seattle

☒ UW, Bothell

☐ UW, Tacoma

**I. Phase I. Developed Proposal Review** (to be completed by Originating Campus' Academic  
Program Review body)

A. Review Completed by: (list name of program review body)

Chaired by:

12/11/12 Date proposal received by originating campus's review body

12/18/12 Date proposal sent to University Registrar

01/24/2013 Date proposal posted & email sent to standard notification list

08/01/13 Date of originating campus's curriculum body approval

(Note: this date must be 15 business days or more following date of posting)

B. 0 Number of comments received. Attach the comments and a summary of the  
consideration and responses thereof : (1-2 paragraphs)

**II. Phase II. Final Proposal Review** (to be completed by FCTCP)

A. Review Completed by:

☒ FCTCP subcommittee

☐ FCTCP full council

Chaired by: William Erdly

8/6/13 Date request for review received from University Registrar

11/12/13 Date of FCTCP report

Note: Review request was received in late summer; FCTCP review could not be  
conducted until new sub-committee formed in October, 2013.

B. Review (attached)

YES NO

☒ Was notice of proposal posted on UW Website for 15 business days?

☒ Was notice of proposal sent to standard mailing list 15 business days in advance of academic program review?

☒ Were comments received by academic program review body?

☒ Was response to comments appropriate? (explain, if necessary)

☒ Was final proposal reviewed by FCTCP within 14 days of receipt?

☒ Was there adherence to the University Campuses Undergraduate Program Review Process? (explain, if necessary)

C. Recommendation

☒ Forward for final approval

☐ Forward to Provost because of University issues (Explain)

☐ Return to campus council because of insufficient review (Explain).

\*\*Endorsed by Faculty Senate Executive Committee, 1/10/05, modified 1/31/06; These procedures apply to new undergraduate degrees, majors, minors (and certificates) and substantive changes to same