



2023-2024

INTERCULTURAL STUDIES MAJOR, B.A.

Christian Studies & Philosophy Department; College of Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences

Intercultural Studies is a major at Asbury which prepares students for cross-cultural ministry in an international setting or among ethnic groups in the United States. This program seeks to equip students with knowledge and understanding of the issues of intercultural communication in general and cross-cultural communication of the Christian gospel in particular. Using a multidisciplinary approach, students learn to analyze intercultural problems, work within the arena of cultural diversity, and form the conceptual framework and practical skills needed for effective cross-cultural communication and ministry.

To graduate must complete all major requirements, foundational requirements, and additional electives needed for 124 hour minimum degree requirement. OT 100, NT 100, and TH 250 are Foundations requirements for all students and do not apply below.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS (45-51)

(21 Core + 24-30 Concentration)

__ 3	CM	100	Ministry & Mission
__ 3	CM	201	Dynamics of Spiritual Growth
__ 3	CM	211	Instructional Bible Study
__ 3	CM	475	Senior Seminar
__ 3	ICS	311	Strat Intercultural Comm
__ 3	ICS	322	Contextualization: Christianity/Culture
__ 3	ICS	435	Internship

REQUIRED CONCENTRATION (choose one):

ICSS - SOCIAL JUSTICE (30)

__ 3	BTH	300	Bible, Culture, & Justice
__ 3	ICS	312	Mission Theology & Strategy

Choose 3 Church & Society courses:

__ 3	ICS	201	Christianity/World Religions
__ 3	ICS	210	Cross-cultural Life and Work
__ 3	ICS	250	World Christianity
__ 3	ICS	330	The Church in Context
__ 3	SOC	100	Intro to Sociology
__ 3	SW	100	Intro to Social Work
__ 3	SW	331	Research Methods

Choose 4 Social Issues courses:

__ 3	PS	302	International Relations
__ 3	SOC	201	Inequalities in Society
__ 3	SOC	260	Practical Sociology
__ 3	SOC	322	Rural Studies
__ 3	SOC	323	Urban Studies
__ 3	SOC	350	Race and Ethnicity
__ 3	SOC	353	International Social Issues
__ 3	SOC	355	Gender and Society
__ 3	SOC	372	Sociological Theory
__ 3	SW	211	Encountering Poverty
__ 3	SW	402	Social Welfare Policies

Choose 3 hours BTH/NT/OT (not 100; not BTH 475):

__ 3	BTH / NT / OT	_____
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ICSC - CROSS-CULTURAL MINISTRY (24)

__ 3	ICS	201	Christianity & World Religions
__ 3	ICS	312	Mission Theology & Strategy

Choose two Ministry courses:

__ 3	BU	339	Business as Mission
__ 3	ENG	200	Intro to TESL
__ 3	ICS	210	Cross-Cultural Life & Work
__ 3	ICS	250	World Christianity
__ 3	ICS	330	Church in Context
__ 3	ICS	340	Urban Ministry
__ 3	SOC	112	Intro Anthropology

Choose 12 hours of NT/OT (not 100):

__ 3	NT / OT	_____
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ICSB - BUSINESS AS MISSION (30)

__ 3	ACC	201	Financial Accounting
__ 3	BTH	300	Bible, Culture, & Justice
__ 3	BU	211	Principles of Management
__ 3	BU	312	Small Business Management
__ 3	BU	339	Business as Mission
__ 3	ECN	272	Intro to Microeconomics
__ 3	ECN	393	Sem: International Bus Dev
__ 3	ICS	201	Christianity & World Religions
__ 3	MKT	241	Principles of Marketing

Choose 3 hours BTH/NT/OT (not 100; not BTH 475):

__ 3	BTH / NT / OT	_____
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PLUS FOUNDATIONAL REQUIREMENTS (56)

Plus electives needed for the 124 hour degree requirement (17-23, depending on Concentration)