

How to Get Started

Students interested in the IS3D major should take the following steps:

1. Visit the IS3D website and spend some time viewing the resources posted there: <http://is3d.sdsu.edu/>
2. Using the podcast and master plan form on the website, create a preliminary master plan draft in which you list the courses you are interested in taking for your major.
3. Attend IS3D walk-in advising (see website for days/times) in AD-101. Bring the preliminary draft (#2 above) to the meeting.
4. After receiving preliminary approval from the IS3D adviser, obtain approval from the undergraduate adviser in each of the three areas. See http://advising.sdsu.edu/advising/seeing_a_n_adviser/major_adviser_directory for an up-to-date list of advisers. Discuss your plans with each adviser and obtain approval of your plan.
5. Return your Master Plan to AD 101 for the final approval from the IS3D adviser and change of major form.

NOTE: IS3D cannot be declared on the SDSU application form. Students who select IS3D on their application will be defaulted into Undeclared or second choice of major. Students can only *change* to IS3D from some other major or Undeclared. This must be done by visiting the IS3D office and obtaining approval of the IS3D adviser.

PROGRAM RESOURCES

IS3D Website

<http://is3d.sdsu.edu/>

Division of Academic Engagement and Student Achievement (DAESA)

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Interdisciplinary Studies in Three Departments (IS3D)



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DESIGN YOUR OWN MAJOR

Interdisciplinary Studies in Three Departments (IS3D)

Are you having trouble identifying *the right major*?

Have you earned many units and now need to *change your major*?

If so, consider creating *your own customized IS3D major*.

WELCOME!

The Interdisciplinary Studies in Three Departments (IS3D) major at San Diego State University is a special major for students whose career goals or academic interests are not addressed by an existing SDSU major or major/minor pattern.

Students are responsible for identifying the fields they wish to pursue and proposing a custom set of classes for their major requirements. The degree awarded in this major does *not* identify the areas of concentration.

Prospective students should be aware that not all departments at SDSU can accommodate IS3D students. Below is a list of departments that have accommodated IS3D students in the past. Use this list as a guide, not a guarantee.

Some Participating Departments

Aerospace Studies
Africana Studies
American Indian Studies
Anthropology
Arabic
Art
Asian Studies
Astronomy
*Biology
Chemistry
Chicano/a Studies
*Child and Family Development
Chinese
Classics
*Communication

Computer Science
*Counseling and School Psychology
Criminal Justice
Economics
*Education (broadly)
*English & Comparative Literature
European Studies
*Exercise & Nutritional Sciences
*French
Geography
Geological Sciences
German
*Gerontology
*History
*Hospitality & Tourism Management
Humanities
*International Security and Conflict Resolution
Italian
Japanese
*Journalism and Media Studies
Latin American Studies
Learning Design & Technology
Linguistics
Mathematics
Military Science
Naval Science
*Nutrition
*Philosophy
Physics
Political Science
Portuguese
*Psychology
Public Administration
*Public Health
Recreation Administration
Religious Studies
*Rhetoric and Writing Studies
Russian
*Social Work
Sociology
Spanish
*Special Education

Statistics
Theatre & TFM
Women's Studies

*these departments have published guidelines for IS3D students to follow – see the “Preparing for your Visit” tab on the IS3D website for details

Program Requirements

Lower Division: You must identify a minimum of 6 units of lower division preparation in each of the three departments (more may be required in some departments). Visit the IS3D website to download the master plan form.

Upper Division: You must identify a minimum of 36 upper division units, with at least 9 upper division units in each department (more may be required in some departments). At least two upper division courses from each department must be taken at SDSU. Visit the IS3D website to download the master plan form.

Foreign Language Competency: This major requires completion of 4 years of high school foreign language or a third semester foreign language class at the college level (or equivalent competency).

General Education: You may use any courses in your major departments to satisfy GE requirements (both Foundations and Explorations), as well as American Institutions and GWAR requirements.

Minor: You may NOT declare a major or a minor in any of the three departments on your master plan, but you may declare a minor in a different department.