

# ABOUT THE MAJOR

This BIS track integrates studies of music and industry, approximating a commercial music or music business program and including entrepreneurial music ventures and possible “add-ons” such as a stand-alone arts management certificate and a stand-alone jazz certificate. “Music Industry” is understood as a comprehensive set of business areas and enterprises associated with the development and promotion, and sale of services and products, including their management.

# ABOUT THIS MAP

The Four-Year Plan is designed only as a guide. It does not guarantee; 1) that all courses listed will be offered during a given semester, or 2) if they are offered that the scheduling will not conflict. Estimated time of completion is based on 15 hour semesters, with no summer classes. A change in hours or courses taken during the summer will either reduce (taking 18 hrs or summers) or extend (taking less than 15 hrs) the time needed. Use this map to help plan and guide your experience at UWG, including academic, co-curricular, and discovery opportunities. Everyone’s experience is different and activities in this map are suggestions. Always consult with your advisors whenever possible for new opportunities and updates.

Visit [westga.edu/program-maps](https://westga.edu/program-maps) for the latest version of this major map.



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FOR MORE  
INFORMATION.



HAVE A QUESTION?  
CHECK IN WITH  
YOUR ADVISOR!



## WHERE CAN YOU GO WITH THIS DEGREE?

- Artist Manager
- Booking Agent
- Composer
- Music Arranger
- Music Producer
- Music Publicist
- Music Teacher
- Recording Engineer
- Session Musician
- Tour Manager

## ADD A CERTIFICATE

- Arts Management
- Cultural Resource Management Certificate
- Jazz Certificate
- Musical Theatre Certificate

## HONORS COLLEGE

Consider joining if you have an Overall GPA of 3.2 and earned 15 college credit hours!

# INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

## MUSIC & INDUSTRY PATHWAY

*Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies*

60

CORE CREDIT HOURS

30

MAJOR CREDIT HOURS

30

ELECTIVE CREDIT HOURS



UNIVERSITY OF WEST GEORGIA

2025-2026

TERM 1: FALL

<b>C: ENGL 1101</b> English Composition I	<b>3</b> CREDIT HOURS
<b>I2: MUSC 1110</b> (Recommended) Survey of World Music	<b>2</b> CREDIT HOURS
<b>AREA F: MAJOR ELECTIVE</b> 1000/2000-level Elective course	<b>3</b> CREDIT HOURS
<b>MUSC 2XXX</b> 2000-level Music Ensemble	<b>1</b> CREDIT HOUR
<b>S4: SOCIAL SCIENCES</b>	<b>3</b> CREDIT HOURS
<b>P2: CITIZENSHIP</b>	<b>3</b> CREDIT HOURS
MILESTONE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>FIRST MUSIC LOWER LEVEL FOUNDATION CREDIT TAKEN</li></ul>	

TERM 2: SPRING

<b>C: ENGL 1102</b> English Composition II	<b>3</b> CREDIT HOURS
<b>AREA F: XIDS 2000</b> Introduction to Interdisciplinary Studies	<b>3</b> CREDIT HOURS
<b>AREA F: MAJOR ELECTIVE</b> 1000/2000-level Elective course	<b>3</b> CREDIT HOURS
<b>AREA F: MAJOR ELECTIVE</b> 1000/2000-level Elective course	<b>3</b> CREDIT HOURS
<b>MUSC 2XXX</b> 2000-level Music Ensemble	<b>1</b> CREDIT HOUR
<b>M: MATHEMATICS</b>	<b>3</b> CREDIT HOURS
MILESTONE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>COMPLETE XIDS 2000</li></ul>	

15 FALL CREDIT HOURS + 16 SPRING CREDIT HOURS  
= 31 CREDIT HOURS

CRUSH YOUR  
COURSEWORK

- Make sure to take XIDS 2000: Introduction to Interdisciplinary Studies to start your intellectual, boundary-crossing journey!
- Discover your interests in your core classes. These can help you establish your disciplines.

FIND YOUR  
PLACE

- Check out UWG's Academic Transition Programs, and take a cornerstone course (XIDS 2002).
- Explore events, clubs, and organizations available to you! Let the program and/or disciplines you've identified guide your search.
- Visit the Office of Undergraduate Research.

BROADEN YOUR  
PERSPECTIVES

- Explore diversity, equity, and inclusion resources and opportunities across campus.
- Check out the education abroad office.

CONNECT  
OFF-CAMPUS

- Visit Wolves Vote to learn about the voting process and registration.
- Consider volunteering for a campaign or organization in your community.

TAKE CARE OF  
YOURSELF

- Visit the UWG Wellness Hub to find all the resources available to you!
- Visit Health Services.
- Get fit! Visit URec to see all your options.
- Visit the Center for Economic Education and Financial Literacy.

PAVE YOUR  
PATH

- Complete a self-assessment to see what careers and majors are right for you.
- Visit Office of Career and Graduate School Connections.
- Create your profile on Handshake.
- Consider applying for an on-campus job.

TERM 1: FALL

<b>BUSA 2106</b> Legal & Ethical Environment of Business	<b>3</b> CREDIT HOURS
<b>MUSC 2XXX</b> 2000-level Music Ensemble	<b>1</b> CREDIT HOUR
<b>A1: MUSC 1120</b> (Recommended) Survey of Jazz, Rock, and Popular Music	<b>3</b> CREDIT HOURS
<b>P1: CITIZENSHIP</b>	<b>3</b> CREDIT HOURS
<b>T1: STEM + LAB</b>	<b>4</b> CREDIT HOURS
MILESTONES: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>COMPLETES FOUNDATIONAL MUSIC CREDITS</li><li>COMPLETES FOUNDATIONAL INDUSTRY CREDITS</li></ul>	

TERM 2: SPRING

<b>I1: INSTITUTION</b> (Recommended) Foreign Language 1001 Course	<b>3</b> CREDIT HOURS
<b>AREA F: MAJOR ELECTIVE</b> 1000/2000-level Elective course	<b>3</b> CREDIT HOURS
<b>MGNT 3600</b> Management	<b>3</b> CREDIT HOURS
<b>ELECTIVE 1/2XXX</b> 1000/2000-level Elective course	<b>3</b> CREDIT HOURS
<b>ELECTIVE</b>	<b>3</b> CREDIT HOURS

14 FALL CREDIT HOURS + 15 SPRING CREDIT HOURS  
= 29 CREDIT HOURS

CRUSH YOUR  
COURSEWORK

- Work with your IDS professors in XIDS 3000 to establish your degree plan, including identifying your complex problem and exploring how and what disciplines can help inform your inquiry.

FIND YOUR  
PLACE

- Attend UWG Scholars' Day.
- Check out what university associations and community organizations relate to your disciplines.

BROADEN YOUR  
PERSPECTIVES

- In a student organization? Suggest you all complete an implicit bias workshop.
- Consider a study abroad program. Check out students' stories of their experiences.

CONNECT  
OFF-CAMPUS

- Complete an internship in your field.
- Consider a summer or part-time job.
- Ask your department about networking opportunities with alumni.

TAKE CARE OF  
YOURSELF

- Take a fitness class, climb the rock wall, or join an intramural team.
- Consider whether counseling is right for you: take a mental health screening.

PAVE YOUR  
PATH

- Draft your resume and attend a resume blitz.
- Learn about how to network on social media and update your Handshake profile.
- Draft your personal statement.
- Visit the graduate school to find out about graduate programs and admission requirements.

TERM 1: FALL

<b>MKTG 3803</b> Principles of Marketing	<b>3</b> CREDIT HOURS
<b>A2: HUMANITIES</b> (Recommended) Foreign Language 1002 Course	<b>3</b> CREDIT HOURS
<b>MUSC 4XXX</b> 4000-level Music Ensemble	<b>1</b> CREDIT HOUR
<b>T1: NON-LAB SCIENCE</b>	<b>3</b> CREDIT HOURS
<b>REQUIRED: INDUSTRY 3/4XXX</b>	<b>3</b> CREDIT HOURS
<b>ELECTIVE</b>	<b>3</b> CREDIT HOURS

TERM 2: SPRING

<b>XIDS 3000</b> Interdisciplinary Methods	<b>3</b> CREDIT HOURS
<b>REQUIRED: MUSC 3/4XXX</b> (Recommended) MUSC 3702 - Western Music After 1825 and World Music	<b>3</b> CREDIT HOURS
<b>MUSC 4XXX</b> 4000-level Music Ensemble	<b>1</b> CREDIT HOUR
<b>ELECTIVE 3/4XXX</b> 3000/4000-level Elective course	<b>3</b> CREDIT HOURS
<b>ELECTIVE 3/4XXX</b> 3000/4000-level Elective course	<b>3</b> CREDIT HOURS
<b>MILESTONE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>XIDS 3000 INTERDISCIPLINARY METHODS TAKEN</li></ul>	

16 FALL CREDIT HOURS + 13 SPRING CREDIT HOURS = 29 CREDIT HOURS

CRUSH YOUR COURSEWORK

- Work with your IDS professors in XIDS 3000 to establish your degree plan, including identifying your complex problem and exploring how and what disciplines can help inform your inquiry.

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TERM 1: FALL

<b>T2: MATH 1401</b> (Recommended) Elementary Statistics	<b>3</b> CREDIT HOURS
<b>MUSC 4XXX</b> 4000-level Music Ensemble	<b>1</b> CREDIT HOUR
<b>ELECTIVE 3/4XXX</b> 3000/4000-level Elective course	<b>3</b> CREDIT HOURS
<b>ELECTIVE</b>	<b>3</b> CREDIT HOURS
<b>ELECTIVE</b>	<b>3</b> CREDIT HOURS
<b>P3: CITIZENSHIP</b>	<b>3</b> CREDIT HOURS
<b>MILESTONE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>UWG IMPACTS COMPLETED</li></ul>	

TERM 2: SPRING

<b>XIDS 4000</b> Interdisciplinary Capstone	<b>3</b> CREDIT HOURS
<b>MUSC 4865</b> Music Business Internship	<b>3</b> CREDIT HOURS
<b>ELECTIVE 3/4XXX</b> 3000/4000-level Elective course	<b>3</b> CREDIT HOURS
<b>ELECTIVE</b>	<b>3</b> CREDIT HOURS
<b>REQUIRED: INDUSTRY 3/4XXX</b>	<b>3</b> CREDIT HOURS
<b>MILESTONES:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>XIDS 4000 INTERDISCIPLINARY CAPSTONE</li><li>COMPLETES NINE UPPER-LEVEL MUSIC COURSES</li><li>COMPLETES NINE UPPER-LEVEL INDUSTRY COURSES</li></ul>	

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**Additional Information:**

- With prevalence of "Elective" hours, the viewer can see that the BIS Pathway student has sufficient space to add certificates, additional courses in the major disciplines, and/or a minor in another discipline.

CRUSH YOUR COURSEWORK

- This is the time for your XIDS capstone! Make sure you have 9 hours of 3000-4000-level coursework for each of your two disciplines!

FIND YOUR PLACE

- Hone your leadership skills by mentoring new IDS majors!
- Consider running for an officer position in a student organization.

BROADEN YOUR PERSPECTIVES

- Assess your cultural competency.
- Consider working abroad and research visa regulations.
- Explore practices of creating more inclusive careers.

CONNECT OFF-CAMPUS

- Ask for advice from professionals in your field of interest.
- Explore career shadowing opportunities.

TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF

- Explore a farmer's market for fresh produce.
- Develop a post-graduation exercise plan.
- Explore your loan repayment options and complete your exit counseling.

PAVE YOUR PATH

- Request references from professors and supervisors.
- Draft your resume cover letter and personal statement and revise it with career services.
- Attend business fairs and career fairs at UWG and across the state.
- Attend an interview workshop.
- Apply for graduate programs.