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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) ICSC - CROSS-CULTURAL MINISTRY (24) Ministry & Mission 201 Christianity & World Religions CM 100 __3 ICS 201 Dynamics of Spiritual Growth **ICS** 312 CM __3 Mission Theology & Strategy Instructional Bible Study CM 211 CM 475 Senior Seminar Choose two Ministry courses: **ICS** 311 Strat Intercultural Comm BU 339 **Business as Mission** 200 **ICS** 322 Contextualization: Christianity/Culture **ENG** Intro to TESL **ICS** 435 ICS 210 Cross-Cultural Life & Work Internship __3 ICS 250 World Christianity REQUIRED CONCENTRATION (choose one): __3 **ICS** 330 Church in Context **ICS** 340 **Urban Ministry** ICSS - SOCIAL JUSTICE (30) SOC 112 Intro Anthropology _ 3 **BTH** 300 Bible, Culture, & Justice Choose 12 hours of NT/OT (not 100): ICS 312 Mission Theology & Strategy 3 NT / OT ___ 3 NT / OT ____ 3 Choose 3 Church & Society courses: NT / OT 3 Christianity/World Religions NT / OT ICS 201 **ICS** 210 Cross-cultural Life and Work **ICS** 250 World Christianity _ 3 **ICS** 330 The Church in Context **ICSB - BUSINESS AS MISSION (30)** SOC 100 **Financial Accounting** Intro to Sociology ACC 201 __ 3 SW 100 Intro to Social Work BTH 300 Bible, Culture, & Justice 211 SW 331 Research Methods BU Principles of Management BU 312 Small Business Management 339 **Business as Mission** Choose 4 Social Issues courses: BU 272 PS 302 International Relations ECN Intro to Microeconomics SOC 201 Inequalities in Society ECN 393 Sem: International Bus Dev SOC 260 **Practical Sociology** 3 ICS 201 Christianity & World Religions SOC 322 **Rural Studies MKT** 241 Principles of Marketing 3 SOC 323 **Urban Studies** 350 Race and Ethnicity Choose 3 hours BTH/NT/OT (not 100; not BTH 475): SOC _ 3 BTH / NT / OT ____ SOC 353 International Social Issues SOC 355 Gender and Society __ 3 SOC 372 Sociological Theory **Encountering Poverty** SW 211 SW 402 Social Welfare Policies **PLUS FOUNDATIONAL REQUIREMENTS (56)** Choose 3 hours BTH/NT/OT (not 100; not BTH 475): Plus electives needed for the 124 hour degree requirement (17-__3 BTH / NT / OT ____ 23, depending on Concentration)