University Studies

Texas Tech University's Bachelor of Arts in University Studies and Bachelor of Science in University Studies are customizable interdisciplinary degree programs. There is no one-size-fits-all here. BUS students have unique careers in mind and need a program of study that allows them flexibility in choosing three distinct areas of study from any of Texas Tech’s academic colleges. Only a major in University Studies will allow students to fully explore and integrate three customizable areas of study.

Why Choose UNIVERSITY STUDIES?

B.A. Degree
BACHELOR OF ARTS

Degree Program
Coursework in the B.A. or B.S. degrees must total 120 semester hours. Prerequisites for courses selected in the areas of concentration must be completed and, depending on the concentration, may not count toward the 18-hour minimum per area of concentration. A total of 40 upper-division hours is required for the degree.

A degree in University Studies is comprised of 120 credit hours:

- Core Curriculum Requirements (44 Hours)
- 18 Hours for Each of the 3 Areas of Concentration (54 Hours)
- Integrative Studies Courses (15 Hours)
- Electives (7 Hours)

Courses are offered 100% ONLINE and at TTU Regional Sites to complete degree.
The interdisciplinary concentration in organizational leadership formally guides and encourages the exploration of organizations and their influence in the global economy. The curriculum blends challenging course options with relevant interdisciplinary electives to facilitate an interest in and appreciation for the beneficial application of operational concepts through leadership. The concentration comprises 18 credit hours consisting of 6 hours from three curricular learning objectives. Students must have a minimum of a 2.0 TTU GPA to declare the concentration, and a grade of C or better in each class is needed to complete concentration requirements.

Coursework in the Human Resource Development (HRD) program draws on theory from the social and behavioral sciences as well as organizational behavior and leadership. The program is designed to give students the knowledge, skills, and abilities necessary for careers in human resource development in both the private and public sectors. Courses focus on workplace topics such as human relations and communication, training and development, staffing skills and strategies, and leadership within the workplace.

Students studying HRD go on to careers as human resource generalists or managers, compensation and benefits specialists, employee relations representatives, instructional designers, corporate trainers, recruiters, or performance consultants.

University Studies offers a 12-hour Undergraduate Certificate in Strategic Leadership in Human Resource Development to provide students with the knowledge and skills necessary to build productive employee teams and lead organizations in a dynamic workplace environment. The certificate program provides knowledge and skills related to leadership in traditional, global, and virtual workplaces; team building; developing human capital; and aligning human resources with organizational goals.
(B.A.A.S.) Degree
BACHELOR OF APPLIED ARTS AND SCIENCES

Degree Program
Students seeking the 120-hour Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences (B.A.A.S.) degree must first obtain an applied associates degree from an approved institution. This degree program allows students who have earned an Associate of Applied Arts or Applied Sciences from a 2-year institution to complete a Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences in Applied Leadership with two additional years of study (minimum 63 student credit hours). The degree is not open to Texas Tech students seeking to change majors.

The program is administered by University Studies, and interested students should contact the student services center in University Studies (806.742.7100). For more information, visit: www.depts.ttu.edu/universitystudies.

Core Curriculum Requirements (42 Hours)

*Occupational Specialization
(Up to 36 Hours)

Areas of Concentration:
Human Resource Development
Organizational Leadership
(36 Hours)

Capstone and Multicultural Requirements (6 Hours)

Required: Associate Degree of Applied Arts or Applied Sciences from a 2-year institution.

*Hours transferred from completed Leadership AAS degree from an accredited community college.

Process for ADMISSION

Current Student Application Process
Students interested in a University Studies degree must begin the process by contacting a University Studies degree advisor to organize a course of study that meets existing university and degree standards. With the degree advisor's assistance, each student must develop a degree plan that consists of (1) a concentration declaration form and (2) a degree plan incorporating a listing of all courses completed and/or in progress as well as a listing of all intended courses related to the degree and major. A student wishing to change any portion of an established University Studies degree plan must meet with his or her University Studies advisor to develop a new degree plan. Students seeking the 120-hour Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences degree must first obtain an associate degree from an approved institution.

New Student Application Process
Apply to Texas Tech University for undergraduate admission using the appropriate form, new freshmen or transfer. Visit www.admissions.ttu.edu for more information. The application fee is $60 for U.S. residents. Freshmen will need to submit ACT/SAT scores with official high school transcripts. Transfers (over 12 hours) will need to submit all official college transcripts.

All transcripts and test scores are sent to:
Office of Admissions
Texas Tech University, Box 45005
Lubbock, TX 79409-5005

For B.A.A.S. Only: Complete your A.A.S. degree at an accredited community college. Because not all A.A.S. degrees are accepted, please contact a B.A.A.S. advisor to be certain you qualify for admission into the program.

Apply for financial aid at www.financialaid.ttu.edu and/or scholarships at www.scholarships.ttu.edu.

Upon acceptance, you will be assigned an advisor to ensure your continuous progress towards your degree.

Military Credit Information
Department of Military Science and the Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Arts program in University Studies at Texas Tech University deem it to be of mutual interest and benefit to participate in an Academic Credit for Military Experience Articulation Agreement serving the education needs of active and veteran military student by providing academic credit for equivalent military experience, training, and coursework.

Transfer credit will be applied toward the completion of a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree, or Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences degree in University Studies at Texas Tech University (Continued)

For B.A.A.S. Only: Complete your A.A.S. degree at an accredited community college. Because not all A.A.S. degrees are accepted, please contact a B.A.A.S. advisor to be certain you qualify for admission into the program.