Interdisciplinary Studies
Portfolio Option Guidelines
Interdisciplinary Studies: PORTFOLIO OPTION

Purpose:
The portfolio option is designed to showcase the students work completed while in the program with the intention to demonstrate how the areas of study the student has chosen synthesize.

Portfolio consists of:
Title Page (please use the template provided to you)
Table of Contents
Chapter I – Reflection Essay
  Discipline Selections
    -discuss how the areas of study work together to satisfy your professional and/or academic interest
  Research Paper/Project 1
    -discuss briefly the contents of chapter II (you may include a summary of the paper/requirements, methodology, research etc...)
  Research Paper/Project 2
    -discuss briefly the contents of chapter III (you may include a summary of the paper/requirements, methodology, research etc...)
  Research Paper/Project 3
    -discuss briefly the contents of chapter IV (you may include a summary of the paper/requirements, methodology, research etc...)

Chapter II – Research Paper/Project 1 (is a graded research paper/ project completed in subject area 1)
Revisions/Inclusions

Chapter III – Research Paper/Project 2 (is a graded research paper/ project completed in subject area 2)
Revisions/Inclusions

Chapter IV – Research Paper/Project 3 (is a graded research paper/ project completed in subject area 3)
Revisions/Inclusions

Summary and Conclusion

For formatting purposes, the student must follow a particular style of writing of their choosing, such as APA or MLA. The student must provide the Graduate Program Advisor (joburdan@ttu.edu for MS students or Brett.Jordan@ttu.edu for MA students ) with a final copy of their portfolio.

Student Graduate Committee:
The graduate committee should consists of 3 graduate faculty members, representing each area of study. It is highly recommended to the student that they meet with their committee either collectively or individually to discuss the requirements. At which time, the committee may ask the student to provide additional information or to emphasize a certain area of interest.

Committee Members Responsibilities:
1) Provide the student with guidance regarding any additional information that they would like the student to include in the reflection essay. The committee may request for the student to emphasize a particular area or to include additional topics aside from what is required.

2) The committee members will need to review the portfolio and evaluate the document using the rubric that the Graduate Program Advisor will provide to them. They must return all paperwork to the Graduate Program Advisor by the deadline set for that semester.

3) Additionally, the chair of your committee will need to fill out and submit a Comprehensive Form which indicates whether or not the student has successfully met the requirements.
Table of Contents (EXAMPLE)

Chapter I – Reflection Essay

Discipline Selection

Research Paper/Project 1

Research Paper/Project 2

Research Paper/Project 3

Chapter II – Research Paper/Project 1

Revisions/Inclusions

Chapter III – Research Paper/Project 2

Revisions/Inclusions

Chapter IV – Research Paper/Project 3

Revisions/Inclusions

Summary and Conclusion
Document Title
List Option, i.e. Portfolio, Master’s Report or Internship
Student’s Name

Interdisciplinary Studies, M.X.
Area of Study 1, Area of Study 2. Area of Study 3
Semester of Submission