

Institute for Interdisciplinary Innovation

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Overview

The Institute for Interdisciplinary Innovation at Wichita State University (WSU) administers and supervises interdisciplinary degrees, certificates and other credentials (e.g., badges). The institute provides opportunities for faculty across campus to come together in a collaborative environment to develop/participate in academic programs and related research and creative projects in support of interdisciplinarity.

The primary goals of the Institute for Interdisciplinary Innovation are to encourage independent scholarship and to develop competence in collaborative research and creative activity. Students are expected to master special fields as well as to develop appropriate methods of inquiry for future professional growth.

Program Representatives to the Institute

The Institute for Interdisciplinary Innovation works closely with individual program areas to ensure that program operations function in compliance with university policies and regulations. As part of this process, and on a voluntary basis, a faculty member can be recommended by his or her department chair to the institute dean to serve as the program representative to the institute in matters of interdisciplinary education. Although the nature of responsibilities varies throughout program areas, they have a primary role in working with students and faculty in their academic programs. As a standard of expectation, program representatives are charged with the responsibility for overseeing the evaluation of applications for admission, and the transmittal of recommendations for admission, academic performance, degree completion and exceptions to graduate and undergraduate regulations. Program representatives also have a primary role in coordinating information between their programs and the institute office, working with their departmental chairs or other administrators in maintaining the quality and viability of their graduate programs, and serving as the local agent for the faculty in their program areas.

Programs in the Institute for Interdisciplinary Innovation

- MID - Master of Innovation Design (<http://catalog.wichita.edu/graduate/institute-interdisciplinary-innovation/mid--master-of-innovation-design>)

Institute for Interdisciplinary Innovation Courses

- Innovative Design (ID) (<http://catalog.wichita.edu/graduate/courses/id>)