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AB Interdisciplinary Studies

AB Interdisciplinary Studies was introduced in the 1970s in the Ateneo de Manila as a response to the need for greater dialogue among departments and scholars, and to the more practical need of the students for flexibility.

The AB IS program is premised on the heterogeneity of experience, which is why IS majors take a menu of classes from two disciplines of their choice, under the supervision of the Academic Adviser of the IS Department.

Our mission is to develop well-rounded students and life-long learners who have professional skills and are able to synthesize knowledge and respond to the world from a holistic perspective.

A pair of terminal classes (Senior Seminar I and II) allows students to integrate two disciplines in an investigative-analytical paper, an applied research project, or a creative work. It thus combines training in the foundations of two disciplines and opportunities for interdisciplinary synthesis.

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Shifting to AB Interdisciplinary Studies

Step 1: Provide a Letter of Intent to the IS Department Chair with:
* reason for shifting
* contact details
* signed endorsement of the Chair of home department

Enclose a copy of your grades from AISIS.

Step 2: Have an interview with the IS Department Chair.

Step 3: Submit the completed Change of Degree Program Form to the Office of the Registrar. Provide a photocopy to the IS Department.

Step 4: Seek academic advisement from the IS Department Academic Adviser.

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