Program Description
The baccalaureate program in multidisciplinary studies at Cambridge College is a flexible option for adult students who are attending college for the first time or returning after years away. The program develops academic and workplace skills for success, and knowledge across a variety of academic fields. It is ideal for students who have broad academic interests and a desire to continue enhancing their knowledge throughout their lives. The program is very flexible, supporting each student’s interests with a wide selection of liberal arts courses to choose from.

Required courses provide a practical focus to the curriculum, with courses that build academic skills and broad-based knowledge across the sciences, humanities and general studies.

Final Project — Students will complete a Capstone project focusing on an topic of personal and professional interest. The project consists of research and written work demonstrating their critical thinking and academic knowledge.

Program Outcomes
Specific learning outcomes of the Multidisciplinary Studies degree program include:
- Critical thinking, logic and analysis.
- Mathematics and quantitative reasoning.
- Written and oral communication.
- Information literacy and computer sciences.
- Understanding of the scope and relevance of the arts and humanities throughout history, and within contemporary society.
- Integration of scientific thought and analysis.
- Understanding of intercultural and intra-cultural concepts within the social sciences.

Careers and Further Study
Students will acquire a vocabulary in concepts and methods of critical thinking, and will gain the skills necessary to navigate and manage complex systems, obtain fulfilling employment, and compete in the working world. Students will develop persuasive oral communication and writing skills, and be prepared to utilize them in their employment and graduate study. With these transferrable skills and broad-based knowledge, our graduates will be equipped to take on new and unforeseen challenges in this fast-paced and quickly changing world.

Our graduates go on to a wide variety of careers, often working in schools, community organizations and services, government agencies, and businesses. Many continue on to graduate study in fields ranging from education to law to business management.

Concentration Options

Applied Sciences — This concentration builds a broad foundation across scientific disciplines, integrating scientific thought and analysis throughout the course of study. The applied sciences concentration provides a practical academic framework enabling graduates to work in science-related fields such as biotechnology, biological research, information technology, health science, and environmental science. Further, the broad nature of this concentration lays the theoretical and practical foundations for graduate study in the sciences.

Early Education & Care — Students learn to provide developmentally appropriate instruction and other services for young children in public and private institutions and agencies, including day care centers, pre-schools and family child care homes. Students currently working in the field or preparing to enter it will receive a well-rounded professional learning experience that will prepare them for advanced childcare and education work.

Education — Students hone their own academic skills that they will later teach to others, and they take methods courses that lay a good foundation for teaching. Content courses build a strong knowledge base in the area in which they aim to teach.

Graduates find employment as teachers or aides in a wide range of schools and as educators in community organizations. However, the concentration does not meet licensure requirements. Students who aim to be teachers will be ready for a master of education program prepare for educator licensure. Students who want to work in education before earning their master’s degree can work in public and private schools.

General Studies is the most flexible degree path in undergraduate studies. With the aid of an academic advisor, students select course work reflecting their personal interests and professional goals.

Humanities — Integrating topics in literature, history, philosophy, and science, the humanities concentration provides a thematically and historically balanced understanding of human values, practices, and accomplishments by giving students the opportunity to bring their individual perspectives to bear on a broad array of seminal works from culturally, historically, and geographically diverse traditions.

Psychology & Human Services concentrations (see these degree program charts).

Other Concentration Options — see undergraduate concentrations section of the catalog.
- Justice Studies
- Juvenile Justice Studies
- Legal Studies
- Medical Interpreter (degree credit only)
Multidisciplinary Studies

**General Education** .......................... 60 credits

- **Learning to Learn**
  - LRN175 Principles & Processes of Adult Learning ........ 3
  - WRT101 College Writing I .................................. 3
  - CTH225 Foundations of Critical Thinking ................... 3
  - MAT101 College Math I .................................. 3
  - CMP130 Introduction to Computer Applications ........... 3
  - CMP230 Information Literacy ................................ 3
  - MAT102 College Math II .................................. 3

- WRT101-102 and MAT101-102 may be waived if you have taken equivalent courses and assessment indicates proficiency. Credits will be replaced with open electives. WRT090 and MAT100 required if assessment indicates need.

**Knowledge to Gather Knowledge**

- Arts & Humanities ................................................. 9
- Natural & Physical Sciences (specific requirements for Applied Sciences concentration; see chart, p. 73) ..................... 9
- Social Sciences ......................................................... 9

**Open Electives** .................................... 9

**Multidisciplinary Major** .......................... 30 credits

Upper level courses (300 level and above) distributed by area:

- Arts and Humanities ................................................. 6
- Natural and Physical Sciences ........................................ 6
- Social Sciences ......................................................... 6
- Electives ................................................................. 9
- BAM490 Capstone (final research project) .................... 3

**Concentration Options** .......................... choose 30 credits

**Applied Sciences** (see chart, p. 81)

- **Early Education & Care** (does not satisfy licensure requirements)
  - EMC210 Introduction to Early Education & Care .......... 3
  - EMC319 Social Foundations of Education .................. 3
  - EMC215 Developing Curriculum for Young Children ........ 3
  - EMC336 Creating Positive & Effective Learning Environments in Early Education Classrooms ........... 3
  - EMC337 Early Childhood Growth & Development
    or PSY251 Infant & Toddler Development .................. 3
  - EMC308 Teaching Early Education Special Needs
    or EMC318 The Successful Inclusion Classroom .......... 3
  - Electives in education, psychology, human services .......... 6

- **Education** (does not satisfy licensure requirements)
  - EMC300 Classroom Management & Discipline ............. 3
  - EMC301 Integrated Language Arts & Reading ............. 3
  - EMC318 The Successful Inclusion Classroom ............. 3
  - EMC319 Social Foundations of Education .................. 3
  - EMC316 Teaching Math in the Elementary Grades ........ 3
  - EMC420 Strategies for Teaching ............................. 3
  - PSY310 Psychology of Learning .............................. 3
  - Electives in education, psychology, human services .......... 9

**General Studies**

Choose courses to support your professional and academic goals, and personal interests ................................ 30

**Humanities**

Upper level humanities courses .................................. 24

**Electives** ......................................................... 6

**Other Concentration Options**—see undergraduate concentrations section of the catalog.

- Justice Studies
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Admissions requirements: High school completion or GED and other general requirements (see Admissions).

Degree completion: General education requirements may be satisfied by an associate's degree or 60 credits of prior courses that meet all general criteria for transfer; up to 90 credits may be accepted.