FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY

NEW/CHANGE PROGRAM REQUEST
Undergraduate Programs

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Department N/A

College Undergraduate Studies

Program Name
Bachelor of Professional Studies

☐ **New Program***

☑ **Change Program***

Effective Date
(TERM & YEAR)
Spring 2027

Please explain the requested change(s) and offer rationale below or on an attachment.

This proposed change adds additional course options to the core competency areas, as proposed by the Undergraduate Studies Faculty Committee (with representation from all academic colleges and programs), to the professional studies core competencies lists.

*All new programs and changes to existing programs must be accompanied by a catalog entry showing the new or proposed changes.

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Consult and list departments that may be affected by the change(s) and attach documentation
All colleges were consulted via the UGS faculty committee of Associate Deans. 17 different departments provided additional courses for this proposal.

Approved by		***Date***
Department Chair	N/A	
College Curriculum Chair	N/A	
College Dean	DLM	05/13/2026
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Professional Studies
Bachelor of Professional Studies (B.P.S.)

(Minimum of 120 credits required)

The Bachelor of Professional Studies (B.P.S.) is a cross-disciplinary degree program designed for adult learners and working professionals who have earned some college and/or university credit and are seeking advancement or changes in their career path. The B.P.S. requires that students meet all University admission requirements and state bachelor's degree requirements, which include completion of a flexible curriculum of advanced coursework in six professional core competency areas (see below) and a required capstone project (IDS 4894). All core competency coursework must be earned with a grade of "C" or better. Professional Studies students are not permitted to concurrently earn a dual degree.

Core Competencies
18 credits with a minimum of one course from each of the six areas. IDS 4894 is required.

Advanced Writing - 3 credits

Course Title	Course Number	Credits
Professional Writing	ENC 3213	3
Advanced Exposition	ENC 3310	3
Principles of Research Writing	ENC 4138	3
Writing for Nonprofits	ENC 4354	3
Studies in Writing and Rhetoric	ENG 4020	3
Rhetoric of Argument	SPC 4517	3

Professional Communication and Technology - 3 credits

Course Title	Course Number	Credits
Introduction to AI for Non-Majors	CAI 4002	3
Introduction to Data Engineering for Non-majors	CAP 4792	3
Introduction to Cybersecurity for Non-majors	CIS 4633	3
Introduction to Cloud Computing for Non-majors	CIS 4650	3
Organizational Communication	COM 3120	3
Human Communication Theory	COM 3405	3
Studies in New Media to Professional Comm and Tech	COM 4332	3

Introduction to Programming for Non-Majors	COP 4084	3
Business Communication: Critical Analysis and Application	GEB 3213	3
Health Delivery Systems	HSA 3111	3
Language, Society, and Artificial Intelligence	IDS 3762	3
Applications of AI in Science	IDS 3763	3
Contemporary Issues of Digital Data Management	ISM 4041	3
Healthcare Information Systems	ISM 4381	3
Artificial Intelligence and Digital Transformation for Business	ISM 4421	3
Principles of Advertising	MAR 3326	3
Personal Selling	MAR 4400	3
Media, Culture, and Technology to Professional Comm and Tech	MMC 4263	3
Communication Skills for Public Managers	PAD 3438	3
Data Management and Analysis with Excel	QMB 3302	3
Small Group Processes	SPC 3425	3
Intercultural Communication	SPC 3710	3
Leadership & Communication	SPC 4443	3
Social Media and Society	SYA 3460	3
Technology and Society	SYP 4421	3

Cultural Studies - 3 credits

Course Title	Course Number	Credits
American Material Culture to 1860	AMH 4302	3
American Material Culture from 1860	AMH 4303	3
Gender and Culture	ANT 4302	3
Artificial Intelligence for Social Good	CCJ 3071	3

Ethics and the Justice System	CCJ 4054	3
Communication, Gender and Language	COM 3014	3
The Comparative Politics of Ethnic Conflict	CPO 4724	3
Psychology of Human Development	DEP 3053	3
Culture and Environment: Latin America and the Caribbean	GEA 4405	3
Human Resource Management for Hospitality Industry	HFT 3221	3
Introduction to Public History	HIS 3065	3
Introduction to Archives	HIS 3080	3
Historic Preservation	HIS 3086	3
Ethics and Power in Leadership	LDR 4204	3
Introduction to Comparative Literature	LIT 3060	3
Black Literature	LIT 4355	3
Women and Literature	LIT 4383	3
Literature and Environment	LIT 4434	3
LGBTQ+ Literature	LIT 4523	3
Human Resource Management	MAN 4301	3
Diversity and Social Vulnerability in Public Safety Administration	PAD 4894	3
Psychology of Women	SOP 3742	3
American Multicultural Discourse	SPC 3704	3
Gender, Race and Communication	SPC 4712	3
Contemporary Social Problems	SYA 3930	3
Environmental Sociology	SYD 3510	3
Race and Ethnic Relations	SYD 3700	3
Poverty and Society	SYO 3534	3
Sociology of Pop Culture	SYP 3630	3
Early Theatre History	THE 3115	3
20th and 21st Century Theatre Literature	THE 4176	3

Leadership and Management - 3 credits

Course Title	Course Number	Credits
Conflict Communication	COM 3462	3
Entrepreneurship	ENT 4024	3
Introduction to Hospitality Management	HFT 3003	3
Meetings and Event Management	HFT 3741	3
Hospitality Marketing and Revenue Management	HFT 4503	3
Introduction to Health Professions	HSA 3104	3
Management of Long-Term Care Facilities	HSA 4223	3
Leadership and Social Change	LDR 3216	3
Theories of Leadership	LDR 4104	3
Introduction to Field Leadership	LDR 4250	3
Introduction to Management and Organizational Behavior	MAN 3025	3
Service Operations	MAN 4029	3
Managing for Excellence in Public and Nonprofit Sectors	PAD 4332	3
Policymaking and Administration	PUP 4004	3
Sociology for the Health Professions	SYO 3401	3
Organizational Sociology	SYO 4570	3

Global Studies - 3 credits

Course Title	Course Number	Credits
Cultures of South Asia	ANT 3361	3
Global Health and Culture	ANT4480	3
Human Trafficking: A Global Social Justice Issue	CCJ 4694	3
International Criminal Justice System	CJE 4174	3
Global Development and Inequality of Nations	CPO 4003	3
International Economics	ECO 3703	3

International Economic Development	ECS 3013	3
Global Studies 1	IDS 3313	3
Cultural Studies of Globality	IDS 4332	3
Global Environmental Politics and Policies	INR 4350	3
International Organization	INR 3502	3
International Political Economy	INR 3702	3
The Politics of Human Rights	INR 4075	3
International Reporting	JOU 4316	3
Contemporary Issues in Leadership	LDR 3115	3
World Literature: Critical Approaches	LIT 4225	3
Major Writers of World Literature in English	LIT 4244	3
International Business Negotiations	MAN 3442	3
International Business	MAN 3600	3
Global HR Management	MAN 4610	3
Introduction to Human Trafficking in Social Work Practice	SOW 4783	3
Tourism and Society	SYA 3930	3
Labor and Globalization	SYO 3377	3
Globalization and Social Movements	SYP 3454	3
Global Social Change	SYP 4453	3
Study Abroad (must be upper division and an approved course)		3

Career Enrichment Requirement - 3 credits

Course Title	**Course Number**	**Credits**
RI: Professional Capstone (Required)	IDS 4894	1-4
Internship in Public History	HIS 4944	1-3
Professional Internship*	IDS 3949	0-4
Capstone Seminar on Leadership	LDR 4951	3
Professional Development**	SLS 4342	3

Internship in Applied Spanish	SPN 4942	1-6
Directed Independent Study	Any prefix with 4905/4906	1-4

*Students are strongly encouraged to gain practical experience through participation in internship opportunities. For more information, contact the FAU Career Center at 561-297-3533 or visit the website.

**Returning students are highly encouraged to take SLS 3115, Foundations for Personal Academic and Professional Development in the first semester.

Students pursuing a Bachelor of Professional Studies will have the flexibility to take courses across colleges at FAU and in various formats, including in-person day or evening courses or online courses. Professional Studies also offers a fully online program and an Honors in the Major. To verify if a particular course is available in a fully online format, please refer to the course schedule or reach out via email.

Please see the program academic advisor for possible minor or certificate options or a list of suggested courses.