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**From:** Kimberly Jones  
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**Date:** April 26, 2022

**Re:** BA in Interdisciplinary Studies

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Dear Vice Provost Heileman,

As you know, the Arizona Board of Regents recently approved our request to change the name of the Bachelor of General Studies program to Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies (BIS). We recently learned that a previous BA in Interdisciplinary Studies (IDSTBA) program is still available. We would like to make the BA an option for Interdisciplinary Studies students who have completed a 4th-semester second language requirement.

In order to do so, we request the BA in Interdisciplinary Studies (IDSTBA) be transferred to the College of Humanities from the College of Letters, Arts & Science (CLAS). The BA in Interdisciplinary Studies would then be offered alongside the Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies for students who wish to pursue a Bachelor of Arts degree instead of the BIS. We ask that this be in effect 1/2020, in line with the transfer of the BGS, now the BIS, to the College of Humanities.

Thank you for your consideration, and please contact either of us if you have any questions or concerns.