

 <b>FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY</b>	<b>NEW/CHANGE PROGRAM REQUEST Undergraduate Programs</b>		UUPC Approval <u>11/7/2022</u> UFS Approval _____ Banner _____ Catalog _____
<b>Department</b>  <b>College</b> Undergraduate Studies		<b>Effective Date</b> <small>(TERM &amp; YEAR)</small> Spring 2023	
<b>Program Name</b> Bachelor of General Studies	<input type="checkbox"/> New Program* <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Change Program*		
<b>Please explain the requested change(s) and offer rationale below or on an attachment.</b>  Request to add the capstone requirement (IDS 4895)			
<small>*All new programs and changes to existing programs must be accompanied by a catalog entry showing the new or proposed changes.</small>			
<b>Faculty Contact/Email/Phone</b> Dan Meeroff, dmeeroff@fau.edu, 7-1171		<b>Consult and list departments that may be affected by the change(s) and attach documentation</b> All colleges were consulted	
<b>Approved by</b> Department Chair <u>N/A</u> College Curriculum Chair <u>N/A</u> College Dean <u>Daniel Meeroff</u> UUPC Chair <u>Ethlyn Williams</u> Undergraduate Studies Dean <u>Dan Meeroff</u> UFS President _____ Provost _____			<b>Date</b> _____ _____ <u>10/25/22</u> <u>11/7/2022</u> <u>11/7/2022</u> _____ _____

Email this form and attachments to [mjenning@fau.edu](mailto:mjenning@fau.edu) seven business days before the UUPC meeting.

## **BACHELOR OF GENERAL STUDIES**

The Bachelor of General Studies (B.G.S.) degree allows students to design a plan of study to meet their personal interests and career goals. The plan of study is more flexible than that required in the traditional degree programs. The degree is intended for those members of the local community already in careers who need a degree to advance professionally or personally, as well as for current FAU students who meet the 120-credit requirement, but because of personal or employment imperatives, need to hasten their time to degree completion.

### **Degree Requirements**

In consultation with an advisor, students map out a plan of study that includes 15 credits of upper-division coursework in one discipline. All other requirements for the FAU degree apply, including:

1. A minimum of 120 credits overall;
  2. All General Education (Intellectual Foundations Program) requirements (36 credits);
  3. Writing Across Curriculum (Gordon Rule Writing) requirements;
  4. At least 45 credits at the upper-division level;
  5. The last 30 credits of upper-division credits taken in residence at FAU;
  6. A minimum 2.0 FAU GPA overall and in the 15-credit upper-division coursework selected in one discipline.
- 7. Capstone requirement. Students must complete IDS 4895 prior to graduation with a minimum grade of "C."**

Students may not pursue the Bachelor of General Studies as a second major, second degree or second baccalaureate.

Students may pursue minors and/or certificates with the B.G.S. degree as long as the pursuit does not extend time to graduation or other existing college restrictions. No course overlap may occur between the B.G.S. 15-credit discipline and the minor(s). However, course overlap between the certificate(s) and the B.G.S. 15-credit discipline is allowed. Course overlap between the certificate(s) and the minor(s) is allowed.

Students interested in pursuing the Bachelor of General Studies should contact the advising office of the FAU college that houses the student's selected discipline. Contact information for college advising offices is found in the [General Information](#) section of this catalog.