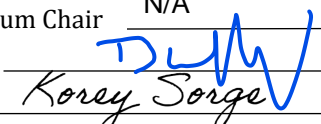
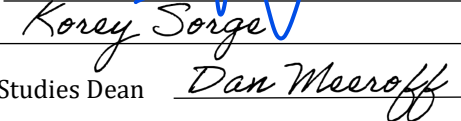

 <b>FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY</b>	<b>NEW/CHANGE PROGRAM REQUEST</b> <b>Undergraduate Programs</b>		UUPC Approval <u>9/8/25</u> UFS Approval _____ Banner _____ Catalog _____
	Department _____ College _____		
<b>Program Name</b>		<b>New Program*</b>  <b>Change Program*</b>	<b>Effective Date</b> (TERM & YEAR)
Please explain the requested change(s) and offer rationale below or on an attachment.			
*All new programs and changes to existing programs must be accompanied by a catalog entry showing the new or proposed changes.			
<b>Faculty Contact/Email/Phone</b>		<b>Consult and list departments that may be affected by the change(s) and attach documentation</b>	
<b>Approved by</b>			<b>Date</b>
Department Chair <u>N/A</u>			
College Curriculum Chair <u>N/A</u>			
College Dean <u></u>			<u>08/18/2025</u>
UUPC Chair <u></u>			<u>9/8/25</u>
Undergraduate Studies Dean <u></u>			<u>9/8/25</u>
UFS President _____			
Provost _____			

## 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 ([found here](#)) and state bachelor's degree requirements ([found here](#)), which includes completion of a flexible curriculum of advanced coursework in six professional core competency areas (see list of "Core Competencies") 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.

The Bachelor of Professional Studies (B.P.S.) is a cross-disciplinary degree program designed for working adults who have earned an A.A. or A.S. or have completed the State of Florida general education requirements but did not complete their bachelor's degree. This degree is for individuals who have been out of college more than one year and for whom completing a degree could lead to advancement or change in their career. The B.P.S. requires a minimum of 120 credits and completion of advanced coursework in six professional competency areas, which includes a required capstone project (IDS 4894).

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; however, it's important to note that due to the variety of course options available under this program, a specific course may not be available in this format. To verify if a particular course is available in a fully online format, please refer to the [course schedule](#) or reach out to [professionalstudies@fau.edu](mailto:professionalstudies@fau.edu) via email. Professional Studies students are not permitted to concurrently earn a B.A. or B.S. degree. Students must meet all University and state bachelor's degree requirements.

#### Admission Requirements\*

- 1.—Completion of an A.A., A.S. or the State of Florida general education requirements.
- 2.—Program entry is for returning students who have not maintained continuous enrollment, as defined by University policy, at a state college and/or university.
- 3.—Minimum 2.0 overall GPA.
- 4.—Foreign Language Entrance Requirement: Two years of same foreign language in high school.\*\*

\* Exceptions will be considered by petition on a case-by-case basis.

\*\* If Foreign Language Entrance Requirement was not achieved in high school, students must complete the Foreign Language Graduation Requirement: Second semester proficiency at the college level.

#### Degree Requirements

- 1.—A minimum of 120 credits overall.
- 2.—A minimum of a 2.0 FAU GPA.
- 3.—Earn the last 25 percent of the total number of credits required for the degree at FAU.
- 4.—A minimum of 42 upper-division credits (must be 3000-4000 level or higher).
- 5.—[Foreign Language Entrance Requirement](#).

- ~~6.—Civic Literacy Requirement: Only required if the student is entering the Florida College/University Public System on or after fall 2018.~~
- ~~7.—Summer Credit Requirement: Only required if the student is admitted to FAU with fewer than 60 transfer credits.~~
- ~~8.—College-Level Communication and Computation Skills Requirement: Student must earn a "C" or better in each course applied to this requirement.~~
- ~~9.—General Education Requirement: FAU's General Education Curriculum or A.A. degree from Florida public institution.~~
- ~~10.—Core competencies of 18 credits. IDS 4894 required. Student must earn a "C" or better.~~

#### 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
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
Organizational Communication	COM 3120	3
Human Communication Theory	COM 3405	3
Business Communication: Critical Analysis and Application	GEB 3213	3
Health Delivery Systems	HSA 3111	3
Contemporary Issues of Digital Data Management	ISM 4041	3
Healthcare Information Systems	ISM 4381	3
Principles of Advertising	MAR 3326	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

#### Cultural Studies - 3 credits

Course Title	Course Number	Credits
Gender and Culture	ANT 4302	3
Ethics and the Justice System	CCJ 4054	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
Ethics and Power in Leadership	LDR 4204	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
Environmental Sociology	SYD 3510	3
Poverty and Society	SYO 3534	3

Leadership and Management - 3 credits

Course Title	Course Number	Credits
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

Global Studies - 3 credits

Course Title	Course Number	Credits
Cultures of South Asia	ANT 3361	3
Global Environmental Politics and Policies	INR 4350	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
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
Professional Internship*	IDS 3949	0-4
RI: Professional Capstone ( <b>Required</b> )	IDS 4894	1-4
Capstone Seminar on Leadership	LDR 4951	3
Professional Development**	SLS 4342	3
Directed Independent Study	Any prefix with 4905/4906	1-4
Electives (if needed)	-	-

If elective coursework is needed to complete the total of 120 credits or the upper-division or residency minimums, please see the program academic advisor for a list of suggested courses.

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