

BS in Information Science and Technology

BS: IST

Name: _____

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS			IST REQUIREMENTS		
Foundations	Units	√	Core Classes	Units	√
ENGL 101/103H/107	3		ISTA 100 (Introduction to ISTA)	3	
ENGL 102/104H/108	3		ISTA 116 (Statistical Foundations of ISTA)	3	
OR ENGL 109	3		<i>ISTA 120 (Dealing with Data)</i>	3	
TOTAL units required	3-6		ISTA 130 (Computational Thinking and Doing)	4	
MATH: Math 124	3		ISTA 161 (Ethics in a Digital World)	3	
Second Language: 2 nd semester proficiency req			ISTA 370 (Empirical Methods)	3	
First semester proficiency:	0-4		Thematic Courses (6 classes, ≥18 units)¹		
Second semester proficiency:	0-4		<i>Choose 1 class from each area:</i>	18	
TOTAL units required:	0-8		Foundations, Representation and Algorithms		
Tier One Requirements²			Data-Intensive Computing		
TRAD/160A, 160B, 160C, or 160D	3		Programming and Computing Tools		
TRAD/160A, 160B, 160C, or 160D	3		Modeling		
INDV/150A, 150B, or 150C	3		Discipline-Focused Computing		
INDV/150A, 150B, or 150C	3		Society		
NATS (not required for IST majors)	--		Major Upper Division Electives		
Total Tier 1 units required	12		Choose 12 units from at least 4 courses	12	
Tier Two Requirements					
Arts	3		Independent Study, Directed Research, or Internship		
Individuals & Societies	3		3 units required	3	
Humanities	3		Total units may be mixed between types.		
Natural Sciences not required for IST majors	--		No more than 6 units of internship allowed for the BS. No more than 12 units of independent study or directed research are allowed for degree.		
Total Tier 2 units required	9				
Diversity requirement met by:			Senior Thesis or Project	3	
			ISTA 498 or 498H		
Supporting Science Requirement³					
Complete TWO approved lecture/lab combos:					
Combo 1:	4				
Combo 2:	4				
Open Elective Requirements					
You must take additional electives to reach					
(a) 120 units total					
(b) 42 units of upper-division credit					

¹ See possible classes on next page.

² Students must take two uniquely numbered classes within each category. I.e., under the TRAD category, students are not permitted to take two classes numbered 160A.

³ See Supporting Science Requirements on next page.

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Supporting Science Requirement (meets UA NATS requirement. Please check catalog course description for course prerequisites and other requirements at <http://catalog.arizona.edu/allcats.html>)

Students must take two science courses with labs from the following:

CHEM 151 (4); CHEM 152 (4); CHEM 105A + CHEM 106A (4); CHEM 105B + CHEM 106B (4); ECOL 182* or ECOL 182R + 182L (4); ECOL 206* (4); GEOS 251* (4); GEOS 302* (4); GEOS 304* (4); MCB 181R + MCB 181L (4); MSE 110* (4); PHYS 141* \times (4); PHYS 142* \times (3); PHYS 161* \times (4); PHYS 162* \times (4); PHYS 241* \times (4)

*Lab / field experience included in the course

\times Physics courses must be taken within a single strand. Physics courses taken from multiple strands are considered duplicate credit and cannot be used to fulfill the science requirement. See the physics course descriptions for additional information.

Thematic Courses: At least 18 units total with 6 courses required – one course must be taken from each area. (Please note that courses listed in each area are not inclusive of all allowable courses across departments.) Feel free to consult with your advisor about alternate classes that may support your interests and goals.

Courses in italics have not yet been created.

Students must choose one class from each area.

Area 1 – Foundations, Representations and Algorithms: Data from different disciplines can take similar forms—they can appear as sequences, graphs, networks, and so on. Foundations courses help students learn to work with data represented in similar ways.

- Possible courses could include: *ISTA310, ISTA311, ISTA312, ISTA410, MATH202, MATH401B, MATH362, MATH443, MATH461, MATH468*

Area 2 – Data-intensive Computing: These courses provide experience and tools for computing with large datasets.

- Possible courses could include: *ISTA320, CSC 345, CSC460*

Area 3 – Programming and Computing Tools: Students learn to program and use particular software packages or tools.

- Possible courses could include: *ISTA330, CSC227, CSC335, LING408, ART267, ART306, ART432A, ISTA330, MUS441, MUS442*

Area 4 – Modeling: These classes provide experience with fitting data to a theoretical idea or representation of reality.

- Possible courses could include: *ISTA 312, ISTA352, ISTA360, ISTA410, CSC433, ECOL447, HWRS427, HWRS449, HWRS482, LING364, MATH479, PHIL435, ART436A, ART437A*

Area 5 – Discipline-focused Computing: These classes allow students to delve into the computational needs of specific fields.

- Possible courses could include: *LING438, LING478, PHYS308, MCB416*

Area 6 – Society: These classes help students learn how culture, philosophy, and societal institutions influence and are influenced by the information age.

- Possible courses could include: *ISTA250, ISTA260, ISTA360*

Major Upper Division Elective Courses: A minimum of 12 units total from at least 4 courses. Select from the following list and others when approved by SISTA curriculum advisory committee:

ISTA 301: Computing and the Arts

ISTA 410: Bayesian Modeling and Inference

ISTA 450: Artificial Intelligence

ISTA 451: Game Development

ISTS 454: Informatics in Biology

Other existing courses could include: BIOC411, BIOC416, BIOC4533, BIOC496N, CSC425, CSC433, CSC437, CSC440, CSC447, ECOL335, ECOL345, ECOL418, ECOL426, ECOL447, LING322, LING364, LING388, LING408, LING439, NRSC444A, PSYC325, PSYC333, PSYC346, PSYC403C, SOC430, and others as approved.

UNIVERSITY GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:

120 units _____ 42 Upper division units _____ 2.00+ cum.GPA _____ 2.00+ major GPA _____

30+ UA Units _____ Maximum 64 Community College Units _____ Maximum 60 Correspondence or Exam units _____