Integrative Studies DYAD Guide

What are DYADs?
Dyads are the culminating experience in the reimagined Integrative Studies (IS) curriculum. A dyad consists of two linked courses from different disciplines that share a central issue, question, or theme. The courses together offer students an opportunity to engage in purposeful integrative learning experiences, to return to the overarching learning goals of the IS program, and to reflect meaningfully on their present and past learning experiences as they finish their IS requirements.

Guiding assumptions regarding fulfilling the DYAD requirement:
- Students are required to complete one Dyad (which is comprised of two 4 credit hour courses).
- Students should have all of their INST courses completed prior to taking their DYAD. However, if a student has schedule limitations or is trying to complete their DYAD early given scheduling restraints (Student Teaching, full-term internships, study abroad, etc.) they can take the DYAD with one INST 2000 level or “thread” course remaining.
- The DYAD courses must be taken within the same academic year. Dyads will be offered in multiple combinations—both courses in fall or spring, one in fall and one in J-Term, one in J-Term and one in Spring, etc. Selected DYAD offerings will be available in the summer and both partner courses must be completed within that summer term.

General Guide to Registering for a DYAD:
1. Review the comprehensive list of DYAD offerings (see attached schedule).
2. Identify a few DYADs that sound interesting.
3. Review the scheduling options for those DYADs.
4. Compare your proposed class schedule with the DYAD options and choose the DYAD option that interests you and also works well in your schedule.
5. Register for both courses that fulfill the DYAD requirement.

Frequently Asked Questions about DYADs:
- Can I take my DYAD courses before I have finished all of my other INST requirements?
  Students are encouraged to complete their DYAD requirement after completing all other INST requirements. However, students can go ahead with their DYAD if they have only one remaining INST “thread” (INST 2000, INST 2200, INST 2400, INST 2600) course remaining.

- I have already taken one of the DYAD partner courses. Can I just take the partnered course and be done with my DYAD?
  No. While a few single DYAD partner courses with departmental prefixes were taught during 2011-12, no DYAD pairs were offered prior to summer 2012 and the 2012-2013 academic year. As DYAD courses must be taken within the same academic year, single courses taken previously cannot fulfill a DYAD requirement.

- Can I take one DYAD course this year and another next year?
  They must be taken in the same academic year. The DYAD is intended to create a truly integrative learning experience for students and therefore the courses are specifically designed to be taken at the same time or in close proximity to
one another. Taking them split between or over different academic years minimizes the ability to connect, synthesize, and integrate and therefore works against the goals of the program. There are multiple scheduling options that will allow all students to take their DYAD courses within the same academic year.

- **Can I transfer in a DYAD course from another institution?**

Otterbein’s DYAD courses are specially designed and taught in connection with one another. Therefore, you must take both of the DYAD courses at Otterbein to fulfill the DYAD requirement. (While the university may offer transfer equivalencies for a few of the departmental courses that partner in a DYAD, credit for that course alone does not fulfill the DYAD requirement.)

- **Do all DYAD courses have an INST prefix?**

Most but not all courses have an INST prefix. One goal of the DYAD was to bring many different disciplinary perspectives to the IS curriculum, and also provide an opportunity for students to fulfill both departmental course requirements and their INST requirements. Therefore, a few academic areas have sought DYAD approval for some courses housed within their departments. This means you will find some DYAD courses have an INST prefix, while others have a departmental one. However, it is important to note that any department prefixed course that counts towards a DYAD will have a “DY” attached to its registration listing (for example, COMM 4100-DY).

- **Can I make my own DYAD by selecting two different courses to take?**

No. DYAD faculty intentionally collaborate together to craft connections and linkages between partner courses.

- **If the DYAD that I complete has one course with a department prefix, can I get credit towards a major or minor in the department?**

Yes, as long as the department partner course has a “DY” designation attached to its registration listing (for example, COMM 4100-DY).

- **Where can I find a list of all DYAD offerings?**

The comprehensive list of approved Dyad courses is available in the University Catalog in the section titled “General Education Requirements for all Degree Programs.” For the 2012-2013 offerings, the schedule below summarizes the individual course offerings within the DYAD pairing. Keep in mind, the most up-to-date information is always available through the online Schedule of Classes.
2012-2013 DYAD Offerings

***Always consult the Schedule of Classes in Self-Service Banner for official registration and up to date schedule information.***

**Summer 2012 Offering:**

**Gender and Sexuality**

***Students take one course from Group A and one course from Group B to complete the DYAD***

**Group A**

- COMM 4100-DY: Gender and Communication
  - Summer 2012, W 6-9pm

**Group B**

- INST 3501: Inscribing the Body: Sexual Identity in Contemporary German Women’s Fiction
  - Summer 2012, M 6-9pm

**2012-2013 Academic Year Offerings:**

**Being in Nature- Take both courses to fulfill DYAD requirement**

- INST 3520: The Garden of Eden
  - Fall 2012, M 6:15-9:15pm (hybrid)
- INST 4050: Water Resources
  - Spring 2013, T 6:15-9:15pm (hybrid)

**Cross-Cultural Contact and the Dynamics of Power- Take both courses to fulfill DYAD requirement**

- INST 3523: Power and Culture: West Africa and Colonialism
  - Spring 2013, TR 1:15-2:45pm
- INST 4005: Medieval Cross-Cultural Contact
  - Spring 2013, TR 9:45-11:15am

**Cultural Identity and Justice in the Globalized World- Take both courses to fulfill DYAD requirement**

- ANTH 3100-DY: Globalization and Cultural Identity
  - Fall 2012, TR 1:15-2:45pm
- SOCL 4020-DY: Global Social Movements
  - Spring 2013, TR 9:45-11:15am

**Exploring, Expressing and Composing the Self- Take both courses to fulfill DYAD requirement**

- INST 3530: Art-Making and Composing the Self
  - J-Term 2013, MWR 6-9 and S 9am-2:30pm
- INST 4030: Writing Life Stories: The Power of Narrative
  - Spring 2013, T 6:15-9:15pm (hybrid)

**Gender and Sexuality - Students take one course from Group A and one course from Group B to complete the DYAD**

**Group A**

- WGSS 4026-DY: Female Trouble: Pathologies of Femininity, Femininity as Pathology
  - Fall 2012, T 6:15-9:15pm
- COMM 4100-DY: Gender and Communication
  - J-term 2013, 5:30-9pm TR (hybrid)

**Group B**
Leadership for Self and Organizations - Take both courses to fulfill DYAD requirement

HLED 3800-DY: Organization and Management
Spring 2013, TR 11:30am-1pm

MGMT 3555-DY: Non-Profit Management
Fall 2012, TR 9:45-11:15 am

Native American Cultures: Loss and Survival - Take both to fulfill DYAD requirement

RELG 3300-DY: Native American Religions
Fall 2012, TR 11:30am-1pm

INST 4035: Native American Literatures
Spring 2013, MWF 2:15-3:15pm

Social Change - Take both courses to fulfill DYAD requirement

LEAD 3000-DY: Leadership Practices
Fall 2012, MWF 11:45am-12:45pm

INST 4045: Community Change: The Civic Apprenticeship
J-Term 2013, MTWRF 10:45-12:10 and 2:15-3:30pm

The Search for Meaning in Culture in Human Life: Imagination, Belief, and Ritual - Take both courses to fulfill DYAD requirement

INST 3535: The Search for Meaning in Western Literature: Religion, Spirituality and Personal Philosophy
Fall 2012, MWF 9:15-10:15am OR Fall 2012, MWF 11:45am-12:45pm

INST 4040: The Search for Meaning in Global Religious Traditions: Ritual, Rebirth, and Community
Spring 2013, MWF 9:15-10:15am OR Spring 2013, W 6:15-9:15 pm

Understanding Nature - Take both courses to fulfill DYAD requirement

INST 3515: Experiencing Nature: Conservation Psychology in a Global Context
Fall 2012, TR 11:30am-1pm

INST 4020: Tropical Nature: Reefs and Rainforests in a Global Context
Fall 2012, TR 1:15-2:45pm

Understanding Sustainability - Take 2 of the 3 courses to fulfill DYAD requirement

ECON 4250-DY: Environmental Economics
Spring 2013, TR 9:45-11:15am

ENGL 3000-DY: Studies in Environmental Literature and Writing
Fall 2012, MWF 2:15-3:15pm

ENST 3001-DY: Environmental Issues and Regulations
Spring 2013, MWF 12:15-1:15pm