

INTERDISCIPLINARY DEGREE POLICY

General Description

The procedures set forth in this Policy shall apply to any approved degree program that is an inter-disciplinary degree program combining coursework from two or more academic units (a “Program”).

Degree Awarded

In general, such Programs will result in the awarding of a master’s degree by Illinois Institute of Technology, and not by a particular department, college, school or institute.

Program Governance

Any such Program shall be administered by an inter-disciplinary committee (the “Committee”). The Committee will consist of at least three members, or one member from each academic unit participating in the Program, whichever is greater. Appointments to the Committee will be made by the Provost after consultation with the head of each unit participating in the Program. The Committee shall have oversight over the Program to the same extent that an academic unit exercises over a program wholly within that unit. The Committee shall oversee the Program consistent with its approved curriculum. Although the Committee will work to achieve consensus, decisions of the Committee will be made by majority vote. The Provost shall have final authority with respect to ratification of the Committee’s decisions.

A Program director (the “Director”) shall be appointed to manage the day-to-day operations of the Program. The Program Director should be a current member of the IIT faculty or staff. The Committee shall make its recommendation regarding a Director to the Provost. To the extent practicable, the Director should have relevant knowledge across as broad an array as possible of areas covered by the Program. Formal appointment of the Director will be made by the Provost.