# Master of Interdisciplinary Studies Capstone Requirements

## Professional Capstone Thesis

**Description**
A professional thesis uses original research investigation with quantitative, qualitative, or mixed methods. Students should work to make a quality product eventually leading to publication.

**Title Page and Abstract**
The abstract should be a 50-100 word summary.

**Acknowledgement**
1 page description of process and recognition of individuals or organizations influential in completion.

**Structural Elements**
Includes a table of contents at minimum. Could include tables of figures or charts as needed.

- **Introduction**
  2 - 4 pages introducing the thesis with essential facts, dates, figures, and topic justification.

- **Methodology**
  1 - 2 pages describing the research method, research question, population, sample, data collection, assumptions, limitations, delimitations, and ethical assurance.

- **Results and Discussion**
  2 - 4 pages describing your findings, results, analysis, and evaluation.

- **Conclusion and Recommendations**
  2 - 4 pages summarizing your implication, conclusion, and recommendation.

- **Reference List and Appendices**
  At least 10 references are required. Add appendices as needed. Must conform to current edition of APA style.

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**Final Presentations:** 5 minutes in length, followed by 3 - 5 minutes for questions. Students at a distance may present through Zoom.

## Professional Capstone Project

**Description**
A specific social/global project clearly demonstrating interdisciplinary knowledge. Should be grounded in relevant literature to create a foundation of best practices.

**Title Page and Abstract**
The abstract should be a 50-100 word summary.

**Acknowledgement**
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**Structural Elements**
Includes a table of contents at minimum. Could include tables of figures or charts as needed.

- **Introduction**
  1 - 2 pages introducing the project with essential facts, dates, figures, and topic justification.

- **Methodology**
  2 - 3 pages clearly describing survey methods.

- **Results and Discussion**
  1 - 2 pages describing the outcomes and suggestions for future projects.

- **Conclusion and Recommendations**
  1 - 2 pages summarizing your project and clearly stating your recommendation moving forward.

- **Reference List and Appendices**
  At least 5 references are required. Add appendices as needed. Must conform to current edition of APA style.

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## Professional Industry Internship

**Description**
Designed to help students gain legitimate industry work related to post-graduation career goals, clearly demonstrating interdisciplinary knowledge.

**Title Page and Abstract**
The abstract should be a 50-100 word summary.

**Acknowledgement**
1 page description of process and recognition of individuals or organizations influential in completion.

**Structural Elements**
Includes a table of contents at minimum. Could include tables of figures or charts as needed.

- **Introduction**
  1 - 2 pages introducing the internship with essential facts, dates, figures, and topic justification.

- **Methodology**
  2 - 3 pages clearly describing survey methods.

- **Results and Discussion**
  1 - 2 pages describing the outcomes and suggestions for future career goals.

- **Conclusion and Recommendations**
  1 - 2 pages summarizing your internship and clearly stating your recommendation moving forward.

- **Reference List and Appendices**
  At least 5 references are required. Add appendices as needed. Must conform to current edition of APA style.

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**Final Presentations:** 8 - 13 Pages

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