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# **Association for Integrative Studies**

The Association for Integrative Studies was founded in 1979 to promote the interchange of ideas among scholars and administrators in all of the arts and sciences on both intellectual and organizational issues related to furthering integrative studies. It is incorporated as a non-profit educational association in the state of Ohio and recognized as such by the IRS. The purposes of the Association are to:

- 1. Articulate the nature of integrative studies and document their importance for higher education and for society.
- Establish standards of excellence for the conduct of integrative studies in both teaching and 2. research.
- Maintain a communications network for the exchange of scholarly and pedagogical information on integrative study among faculty and administrators in undergraduate and graduate higher education in the arts and sciences as well as the professions.
- Enhance research and teaching in integrative studies by promoting the development of interdisciplinary theory, methodology, and curricular design.
- Facilitate the success of interdisciplinary endeavors by collecting and sharing information on supportive personnel policies, program structures, and administrative methods.
- Serve as an organized voice and a national source of information on integrative and interdisciplinary approaches to the discovery, transmission, and application of knowledge.
- Become a broad-based professional home for committed interdisciplinarians.

# **Membership**

Individuals and institutions who support these purposes are encouraged to join the Association. Annual dues are \$200 for institutions, \$100 for libraries, \$50 for individuals and professionals, and \$25 for students. The Association publishes a quarterly newsletter, as well as the annual journal Issues. Its website address is www. muohio.edu/ais. The Association holds an annual conference in October. Applications for membership and dues payment should be sent to: Professor William H. Newell, Executive Director, AIS, Western College Program, Miami University, Oxford, OH 45056.

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- 1. Interdisciplinary theory and methodology.
- 2. The nature, means, and problems of integrative research, especially on human experience.
- 3. Models of interdisciplinary/integrative curricular designs both undergraduate and graduate, supplemented by evaluative empirical studies.
- 4. Analyses of the relationships among social contexts, institutional arrangements, and interdisciplinary programs of research and teaching.
- Cross-campus surveys on the status of interdisciplinarity.
- Conceptual and empirical attempts at distinguishing between disciplinary and interdisciplinary teaching, curricular models, and research.
- Special pedagogical approaches for enhancing interdisciplinary/integrative comprehension, perspectives, knowledge, and utilization.
- Polemical pieces on any of the above.
- Substantial and critical reviews of literature published elsewhere on any of the above.

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