International Studies Majors

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Diverse paths for IS major/minor
Students have a number of different pathways to complete the International Studies major which consists of three parts: a set of core courses, an international experience, and a second multi-disciplinary set of courses to support the student’s chosen international experience. Many students combine an IS major with a second major or minor—languages, business, natural sciences, social sciences, and public health are all smart options with good career prospects. Students can think of IS as a way to internationalize any major.

Important tips:

- You should pursue a second language—start taking language classes as soon as possible in the language of your choice.

- You will be studying abroad as part of your major, so think ahead about your coursework schedule for all 4 years. Most students study abroad in their junior year.

  - The courses you take while studying abroad may count toward your major requirements, so be sure to discuss your course choices with your advisor.

  - In addition, your semester abroad will satisfy one of your required focal studies, so you need only complete one other to satisfy that core requirement.

  - You should plan to study abroad in a country where your chosen language is spoken. You should contact the International Programs Office to learn about your many options.

  - You will be taking courses in our Global Skills program (4cr) the semesters before, during, and after your study abroad semester.

- Because of the interdisciplinary nature of International Studies and the frequency with which new courses are available, the electives required in the IS major are flexible and students should speak with the IS Advisor or Chair to find out if additional courses might apply to the major. See the catalog listings below:

International Studies Major

A minimum of 16 (sixteen) credits of the major must be upper-level.

Core Courses (all students complete all, with C- or higher):

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or
POLS 340  Security, Rights and Globalization  4
IS 401  Senior Research  4
IS 402  Senior Thesis  2

Total core: 22 credits

Language: one (4 credits) of the following:* 0-8
CHIN 202  Intermediate Chinese
FREN 202  Intermediate French
GER 202  Intermediate German
JAPN 201 & 202 Intermediate Japanese
SPAN 202  Intermediate Spanish
SPAN 211  Spanish for Heritage Speakers

*Students proficient in a second language beyond the 202 level may waive these credits/courses. Approval of the Chair of the World Languages Department is required for a waiver.

**Note: Students should plan to complete their 202 language course prior to study abroad.

Global Skills and International Experience:
*Students must Study Abroad for one semester.*

IS/HUM 311  Global Skills 1 - Prepare  2 credits
IS/HUM 312  Global Skills 2 - Engage  1 credit
IS/HUM 313  Global Skills 3 – Leverage  1 credit

Total Credits: 4 credits

*Students unable to study abroad during a regular semester may request to substitute a summer international experience of at least 8 credits for the study abroad requirement. The summer international experience must be approved by the Chair of International Studies.

Interdisciplinary coursework: 4 credits from the following:
ANTH/REL 140  Intro to Comparative Religion
BA 312  International Business
BA/ECON 452  Global Finance
ECON 329  International Economics
ECON 328  Macroeconomics Govt/Central Banking
ECON 341  International Trade and Development
MUS/ANTH 241  Intro to World Music
PH 325  Global Public Health
POLS 180  The U.S. in World Affairs
POLS 330  National Systems and Global Citizenship
POLS 331  Modern Dictatorship
SOC/PSJ 347  Global Capitalism and Neo-Colonial Inequality

Total Credits: 4 credits

Geographic area studies coursework: At least two courses (8 credits) of the following, selected to support the student’s chosen geographic area of study:

Asia
ARTHI 276  Art & Architecture of Asia
HIST 215  Imperialism in East Asia
HIST 216  History of Modern Japan
HIST 217  Making of Modern China
HIST 318  The Business of Capitalism in East Asia
HIST 415  Pan-Pacific Histories
HUM 204  Chinese Cultural Study
HUM 213  Introduction to Japanese Literature
HUM 215  Modernity in Japanese Narrative
IS/HUM 222  Introduction to Asian Studies
PHIL 305  Asian Philosophy
THEA/HUM 351 Traditional Theatre of East Asia

Europe
FREN 308/408  France Today
FREN 304/404  French and Francophone Theater
FREN 320/420  Women’s Writing in the Francophone World
FREN 309/409  French Popular Culture
GER 301  Topics in German Culture
GER 305  Music, Modernism & Megalomania
GER 306  From Ruins to Reunification
GER 485  Seminar in German Studies
HIST 206  France from Caesar to Napoleon
HIST 208  England from Rome to Revolution
HIST 232  The Holocaust
HIST 235  Europe Since World War II
HIST 301  The Medieval World
HIST 333  History of the British Empire
HIST 338  The Era of the French Revolution
HIST 401  The World of Charlemagne
HUM 207  German Film in English

Latin America
ANTH/REL 240  Topics in Comparative Religion
HUM 306  Latino Fiction
ENGL 227  World Literature: Magical Realism
ENGL 324  Post-Colonial Literature: Tales of Conquest Retold
POLS/HIST 239  Latin American I
POLS/HIST 241  Latin America II
SPAN 325  Mexican-American Cultural Exploration

Total Credits: 8 credits

Total Credits in major: 38-46 credits

International Studies Minor:
IS 220  Introduction to International Studies  4
IS 201  Intercultural Communication  4
POLS 345  International Political Economy
or Pols 340  Security, Rights and Globalization  4

Two additional courses (8 credits, at least 4 credits at the 300 level or above) selected to support the student’s geographic area of study as listed above.

Total Credits in minor: 20

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