International Studies Majors

http://www.pacificu.edu/as/internationalstudies

Questions? Contact:
International Studies Advisor--Dr. Michael Miller at mjmill@pacificu.edu
International Studies Chair-- Dr. Jann Purdy purd6219@pacificu.edu

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.
  o The courses you take while studying abroad may count toward your major requirements so be sure to discuss your course choices with your advisor.
  o You should plan to study abroad in a country where your chosen language is spoken. Please contact the International Programs Office to learn about your many options (intlprograms@pacificu.edu).
  o 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):
IS 220 Introduction to International Studies 4
IS 201 Intercultural Communication 4
ECON 102 Economics of Governments and Markets 4
POLS 345 International Political Economy
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 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 at least 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

- Questions? Email Dr. Michael Miller at mjmill@pacificu.edu or Dr. Jann Purdy purd6219@pacificu.edu. You can also check out the IS website at http://www.pacificu.edu/as/internationalstudies

Rev. 4/18