International Studies

The International Studies (IS) program seeks to promote awareness and knowledge of the global community and its component cultures/nations and to encourage an appreciation of other peoples. More specifically, an interdisciplinary curriculum provides a) an understanding of the validity of these diverse cultures and societies, b) an appreciation of the history and structure of, and contemporary challenges facing, these cultures and societies, c) an awareness of the causes and consequences of increased economic, environmental, political, and social interdependence, and d) competence in a second language.

Students interested in pursuing the IS major are encouraged to consider a second major or a minor in a related field, the content of which would complement the international skills and perspectives acquired through the IS major. To coordinate IS coursework with Liberal Education and work in any other major or minor field, students should contact an IS advisor early in their academic career.

Programs

- International Relations minor

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Required Credits: 18
Required GPA: 2.00

I REQUIRED COURSES

Complete the following courses:

- POL 1300 Introduction to International Relations (3 credits)
- POL 1400 Introduction to Comparative Politics (3 credits)

II ELECTIVE CREDITS

Elective credits, you must complete 12 credits from groups A and B, with at least 3 coming from group B.

Group A: Political Science Electives (at least 6 credits)

- POL 3100 American Foreign Policy (3 credits)
- POL 3130 Asian Political Development (3 credits)
- POL 3140 Canadian Politics (3 credits)
- POL 3160 Comparative European Politics (3 credits)
- POL 3170 International Relations (3 credits)
- POL 3180 International Law and Organization (3 credits)
- POL 3190 International Political Economy (3 credits)

Group B: Other Electives (at least 3 credits)

- ANTH 1110 Cultural Anthropology (3 credits)
- BUAD 3751 International Marketing (3 credits)
- BUAD 3773 Global Finance (3 credits)
- COMM 1090 Interpersonal Communication (3 credits)
- ECON 3400 International Trade and Finance (3 credits)
- ENGL 2357 British Literature to 1800 (3 credits)
- ENGL 2358 British Literature from 1800 to Present (3 credits)
- ENGL 2370 World Literature to 1600 (3 credits)
- ENGL 2377 World Literature from 1600 to Present (3 credits)
- GEOG 1400 World Regional Geography (3 credits)
- GEOG 3800 Regional Geography (1-3 credits)
- GEOG 3810 Geography of Europe (3 credits)
- GEOG 3820 Geography of East, South, and Southeast Asia (3 credits)
- GEOG 3840 Geography of Africa (3 credits)
- GEOG 3850 Geography of the Middle East (3 credits)
- GEOG 3860 Geography of Latin America and the Caribbean (3 credits)
- GEOG 3870 Regional Geography - World Cities (3 credits)
- GEOG 4120 Urban Geography (3 credits)
- HST 1304 World History I, Prehistory-1500 (3 credits)
- HST 1305 World History II, 1500-Present (3 credits)
- HST 2218 Medieval Europe (3 credits)
- HST 2219 Medieval European Culture (3 credits)
- HST 2228 Renaissance and Reformation Europe (3 credits)
- HST 2580 Russia (3 credits)
- HST 2660 Women and History (3 credits)
- HST 2700 The History of World Religions (3 credits)
- HST 3159 The World at War, 1914-1945 (3 credits)
- HST 3208 Greece And Rome, 1500 BCE-500 CE (3 credits)
- HST 3258 The Roman Civil War Tradition (3 credits)
- HST 3268 The Roman Revolution, 200 BCE-CE 14 (3 credits)
- HST 3277 Readings and Research in European History (3 credits)
- HST 3409 Colonialism and Modernization in the Non-Western World (3 credits)
- HST 3419 East Asia (3 credits)
- HST 3429 South and Southeast Asia (3 credits)
- HST 3449 Middle East (3 credits)
- HST 3459 Latin America (3 credits)
- HST 3799 Tudor and Stuart England, 1485-1714 (3 credits)
- INTL 1130 Education Abroad Basics (3 credits)
- INTL 2100 Instructed International Tour (1-3 credits)
- INTL 2200 International Study Experience - Humanities (1-3 credits)
- INTL 2300 Comparative International Study Project (1-3 credits)
- MUS 2110 World Music: Western Hemisphere (2 credits)
- MUS 2111 World Music: Eastern Hemisphere (3 credits)
- PHIL 3390 Marxist Philosophy (3 credits)
- SOWK 2110 Intercultural Communication (3 credits)
- SPAN 1111 Elementary Spanish I (4 credits)
- SPAN 1112 Elementary Spanish II (4 credits)
- SPAN 2211 Intermediate Spanish I (3 credits)

Career Directions

In addition to graduate study, majors have career options in both the public and private sectors. Specific opportunities may depend on the student’s choice of a second major or minor.

Preparation

Recommended High School Courses

- Economics
  - Geography
  - History
  - Languages
  - Political Science
International Studies Courses

INTL 1130 Education Abroad Basics (3 credits)
Required of all education abroad participants: This course is designed to assist students in their preparation for their planned education abroad experience.

INTL 1910 Directed Independent Study (3 credits)
Arranged individual study.

INTL 2100 Instructed International Tour (1-3 credits)
An educational tour under the guidance of a BSU faculty member. Course content may also include pre-tour preparation and in-and post-tour discussion and assignments. Credit for each offering to be determined by the International Studies program. Note: By arrangement only --- in conjunction with a BSU Education Abroad program. Prerequisite: INTL 1130. Liberal Education Goal Area 8.

INTL 2200 International Study Experience - Humanities (1-3 credits)
Focuses on such topics as the history, culture, politics, geography, economics, art, language, technology, and education of the host country of a BSU Education Abroad program. May incorporate lectures, discussions, and demonstrations by instructors of the hosting institution as well as by BSU faculty. Credit for each offering to be determined by the International Studies program. Note: By arrangement only --- in conjunction with a BSU Education Abroad program. Prerequisite: INTL 1130. Liberal Education Goal Areas 6 & 8.

INTL 2300 Comparative International Study Project (1-3 credits)
With prior approval of a sponsoring department, each student will arrange to pursue academic problems or projects using an international perspective as a basis for completing a comparative study between cultures and/or countries. Credit for each offering to be determined by the International Studies Program. Note: By arrangement only --- in conjunction with a BSU Education Abroad program. Prerequisite: INTL 1130. Liberal Education Goal Area 8.

INTL 2400 International Study Experience Social Science (1-3 credits)
Focuses on such topics as the history, culture, politics, geography, economics, art, language, technology, and education of the host country of a BSU Education Abroad program. May incorporate lectures, discussions, and demonstrations by instructors of the hosting institution as well as by BSU faculty. Credit for each offering to be determined by the International Studies program. Prerequisite: INTL 1130. Liberal Education Goal Area 8.

INTL 4970 Internship (3 credits)
Graded Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory only. Student internships may be either full-time or part-time in a public or private agency appropriate to the degree objective. Internships consist of closely supervised periods of service that are arranged in advance of the course registration. Students should consult their advisor concerning prerequisites.

All-University Courses

The course numbers listed below, not always included in the semester class schedule, may be registered for by consent of the advisor, instructor, or department chair, or may be assigned by the department when warranted. Individual registration requires previous arrangement by the student and the completion of any required form or planning outline as well as any prerequisites.

1910, 2910, 3910, 4910 DIRECTED INDEPENDENT STUDY
1920, 2920, 3920, 4920 DIRECTED GROUP STUDY
1930, 2930, 3930, 4930 EXPERIMENTAL COURSE
1940, 2940, 3940, 4940 IN-SERVICE COURSE
1950, 2950, 3950, 4950 WORKSHOP, INSTITUTE, TOUR
1960, 2960, 3960, 4960 SPECIAL PURPOSE INSTRUCTION
1970, 2970, 3970, 4970 INTERNSHIP
1980, 2980, 3980, 4980 RESEARCH