INTERNSATIONAL STUDIES

Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in International Studies — concentrations available in Chinese Studies, European Studies, Latin American Studies, Global Cultural Studies, Third World Development Studies

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The Program
The world’s biggest challenges are interconnected and the HSU International Studies Program helps students remain rooted in the community while becoming agents of change in the world.

A unique interdisciplinary program, International Studies has four distinct components: a core curriculum based on the cultural, political and economic aspects of globalization; proficiency in a second language; a concentration in one of five areas (China, Europe, Latin America, Global Culture, and Third World Development) and the equivalent of a semester study abroad.

These elements come together in a flexible combination of classroom instruction and direct experience with the regions and issues of interest and make HSU stand out as one of the few universities in the CSU system that offers direct experience with the regions and issues of interest and make HSU stand out as one of the few universities in the CSU system that offers.

Employers also regularly report language skills, intercultural awareness and study abroad as strong indicators of success in the workplace. This is why our graduates can be found in the international labor force in the US and abroad, working in the private sector; for nonprofits and commonly go on to serve in the Peace Corps. This program also provides a strong foundation for graduate work in the international field.

Students completing this major will have demonstrated:
- the ability to analyze regional and global issues from economic, political, and cultural perspectives
- linguistic competency in a second language
- cultural competency in diverse international environments
- the ability to gather information and use interdisciplinary analysis skills to critically evaluate regional and global issues
  - proficiency in formal written and oral communication
  - skills required to build an international career.

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE INTERNATIONAL STUDIES MAJOR

For a description of degree requirements to be fulfilled in addition to those listed below for the major, please see “The Bachelor’s Degree” section of the catalog, pp. 66-80.

All courses required for the major must achieve a minimum grade of C-, or local equivalent while abroad.

Core Courses: [25-26 units]

1) INTL 210   (4) Introduction to International Studies
2) INTL 220   (3) Introduction to Cultural Studies
3) PSCI 240   (3) Introduction to International Relations, or
   GEOG 363   (3) Political Geography
4) ECON 305   (3) International Economics & Globalization**, or
   ECON 306   (3) Economics of the Developing World**
5) Take one methodology course.  
   ANTH 318   (4) Ethnography  
   [Prereq: ANTH 104]  
   CRGS 390   (4) Theory & Methods**,  
   [Prereq: ES 105 or WS 106 or 107 or CRGS 108]  
   GEOG 311   (3) Geographic Research & Writing
6) HIST 210   (4) Historical Methods
   PSCI 295   (4) Political Research & Analysis
7) INTL 320   (1) Career Workshop
8) INTL 387   (1) International Education Week Colloquium
9) INTL 410   (4) Global Issues Analysis
9) INTL 490   (3) International Studies Capstone

Plus four courses (minimum of 12 units) from one of the following concentrations:
- Chinese Studies
- European Studies
- Latin American Studies
- Global Cultural Studies
- Third World Development Studies

Second Language
Demonstrate proficiency in a target language pertinent to the concentration area, equivalent to a fifth semester or higher of college-level language. Meet this requirement by taking a fifth-semester-level language course.

This requirement can also be met by examination. Contact the Department of World Languages and Cultures for instructions.

Residency Abroad

Complete an approved academic semester program abroad equivalent to at least 12 units and normally lasting at least 10 weeks. Program must be selected in consultation with and approved by advisor.

In exceptional circumstances, the program leader may approve an accommodation based on an alternative experience that meets the residency abroad learning outcome. The procedure for requesting such an accommodation, along with the criteria, can be found on the International Studies website.

Residency abroad may begin during the second semester of a student’s sophomore year (generally spring) and must be completed by the end of the first semester of a student’s senior year (generally fall).

Residency abroad may not occur during a student’s last semester. Students are expected to complete their final semester in residence at Humboldt State University.

For some concentrations, courses taken abroad may be necessary to fulfill requirements. Concentration electives may also be completed while abroad. Both require prior advisor approval.

All students are encouraged to use their academic residency abroad efficiently by completing, where possible, language and university general education requirements.

The cost of the residency abroad varies according to the program and world region. Students should understand the costs involved and plan ahead. Consult with the HSU Center for International Programs office.

* Course only meets requirements if specific topic is appropriate to the concentration area. Consult with an advisor.
** Courses also meet GE and/or DCG requirements.
Chinese Studies Concentration

Core courses plus:
Take three breadth courses and one or more special topics courses for a minimum of 12 units.

Breadth Areas [Take three courses]
ANTH 306 (3) World Regions Cultural Studies: China*
ANTH 390 (4) World Regions Cultural Seminar: China*
CHIN 109 (3) Intro to Chinese Studies
GEOG 472 (3) Topics in Regional Geography*
HIST 107 (3) East Asian Civilization to 1644, or
HIST 108 (3) East Asian Civilization Since 1644
HIST 329 (4) Imperial China
HIST 338 (4) Modern Chinese History
PHIL 345 (3) Philosophies of China
PSCI 376 (2) Multilateralism & the UN System and
PSCI 377 (1) Model United Nations
RS 340 (3) Zen, Dharma & Tao

Special Topic Research
Take one or more courses for a total of at least two units. [Instructor approval required]
ANTH 499 (1-4) Independent Study*
CHIN 480 (1-4) Undergraduate Seminar [Often taught abroad]
GEOG 411 (4) Senior Field Research in China*

European Studies Concentration

Core courses plus:
For an emphasis on:
- Europe as a whole, take any four of the courses below
- France, take at least two FREN courses
- Spain, take at least two SPAN courses
- Germany, take at least two courses that focus primarily on Germany for a minimum of 12 units.

ART 301-304 (3-4) Topics in Art History*
ENGL 342 (4) Special Topics in Shakespeare
ENGL 350 (4) British Literature
ENGL 465C (3) Multicultural Issues in Literature/Languages
FREN 312 (4) French VI & (R)evolution in Modern French Literature
FREN 314 (4) Cultural History Topics in Early French Masterpieces
FREN 323 (2) Culture and Civilization in France [Taught abroad]
FREN 480 (1-4) Upper Division Seminar/Retreat [in English or French]
GEOG 332 (4) Geog. of the Mediterranean

Global Cultural Studies Concentration

Core courses plus:
Take three required courses and one or more electives for a minimum of 12 units.

Required Courses
ANTH 306 (3) World Regions Cultural Studies
ENGL 305 (3) Postcolonial Perspectives: Literature of the Developing World
MUS 302 (3) Music in World Culture

Elective Courses [minimum 3 units]
ART 104K (3) Africa, Oceania, the Americas**
ART 104M (3) Latin American Art**
ART 104N (3) Asian Art**
DANC 303 (3) Dance in World Cultures
FREN 300 (3-4) African Storytelling
FREN 340 (2-4) Topics in Francophone Culture
GEOG 472 (3) Topics in Regional Geography*
SPAN 344 (4) Modern Hispanic Theater Workshop
SPAN 345 (4) Hispanic Cinema
SPAN 346 (4) Borges & the Contemporary Spanish American Short Story
SPAN 347 (4) The “Boom” of the Latin American Novel
SPAN 348 (4) Contemporary Hispanic Poetry
SPAN 349 (4) Contemporary Spanish Novel
WS 306/FREN 306/GERM 306/SPAN 306 (3) Sex, Class & Culture: Gender & Ethnic Issues in Int’l Short Stories

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Third World Development Studies
Concentration

Students in this concentration must choose ECON 306 Economics of the Developing World in the program core.

Core courses plus:

Take required courses and at least two development electives for a total of 12 units.

Required Courses

ANTH 316  (4) Anthropology & Development
PSCI 303  (3) Third World Politics

Elective Courses [at least 5 units].

At least one of these electives may need to be taken as part of study abroad. Prior advisor approval is required.

ANTH 317  (4) Women & Development
GEDG 472  (3) Topics in Regional Geography*
PSCI 330  (4) Political Regimes & Political Change*
PSCI 364  (4) Technology & Development
PSCI 376  (2) Multilateralism and the UN System
PSCI 377  (1) Model United Nations

Miscellaneous

Students are encouraged to complement the International Studies program and concentrations by selecting electives related to the international studies field that will fulfill the total number of units for graduation.

Equivalent or Special Topic courses offered by any department may fulfill requirements for any concentration. Prior advisor approval is required.

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