

INTERNATIONAL STUDIES, BA

Introduction

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In a world where the forces of politics, commerce, culture, and technology are multifaceted and interconnected, the International Studies major provides students with a much-needed global perspective. International Studies is an interdisciplinary liberal arts degree that prepares students for international careers and graduate study. The International Studies major offers students a deep understanding of complex international issues and the underlying drivers that are shaping our world. Employers seek the qualities of International Studies graduates: historical knowledge, research ability, cross-cultural competence, teamwork and leadership experience, and the ability to analyze, model, and solve real-world problems. The INTS major provides students with the methodological tools necessary to analyze various regions of the world and global issues from different academic disciplines. Students can take courses from departments including Anthropology, Business, Communication, Economics, Ethnic Studies, Geography, History, Modern Languages, Political Science, and Religious Studies, among others. This combination of coursework, flexibility, and customization provides International Studies majors a distinctive and valuable degree for today's world.

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Program Delivery

- This is an on-campus program.

Declaring This Major

- Click here (<http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/schools-colleges-departments/college-liberal-arts-sciences/#policiestext>) to go to information about declaring a major.

General Requirements

To earn a degree, students must satisfy all requirements in each of the three areas below, in addition to their individual major requirements.

- CU Denver General Graduation Requirements (<http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/graduation/>)
- CU Denver Core Curriculum (<http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/graduation-undergraduate-core-requirements/>)
- College of Liberal Arts & Sciences Graduation Requirements (<http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/>)

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- Click here (<http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/>) for information about Academic Policies

Program Requirements

1. Students must complete a minimum of 48 credit hours from the approved courses.
2. Students must complete a minimum of 24 upper-division (3000-level and above) credit hours in the major from the approved courses.
3. Students must earn a minimum grade of C- (1.7) in all courses that apply to the major and must achieve a minimum cumulative major GPA of 2.5. Courses taken using P+/P/F or S/U grading cannot apply to major requirements.
4. Students must complete a minimum of 24 credit hours with CU Denver faculty from the approved courses.

Program Restrictions, Allowances and Recommendations

1. Program Honors = 3.5 GPA within the major.
2. Students may use up to six internship credits toward international studies graduation requirements.
3. Students may use up to six credits of independent study toward international studies graduation requirements.
4. Up to two 2000 level or above Modern Language courses, not taught in English, may be counted as electives.
5. Students are strongly encouraged to reach proficiency in a second language, beyond the CLAS second language proficiency requirement. Students may take proficiency tests in languages to document existing language skills. Non-native English speakers may use English for their language proficiency.
6. Students are strongly encouraged to complete a High Impact Practice course, INTS 3939 Internship, INTS 4840 Independent Study, INTS 4880 Directed Research or any travel study or study abroad experience.
7. Students majoring in International Studies may choose MATH 1010 Mathematics for the Liberal Arts or MATH 2830 Introductory Statistics to complete their general education math requirement.

Code	Title	Hours
<i>Complete the following introductory courses:</i>		12
ANTH 2102	Culture and the Human Experience	
or COMM 47	Dynamics of Global Communication	
ECON 2012	Principles of Economics: Macroeconomics	
or INTB 3000	Global Perspectives	
INTS 2020	Foundations of International Studies	
PSCI 3022	Political Systems of the World	
or PSCI 3042	World Politics	
<i>Complete one of the following regional History courses:</i>		3
HIST/ETST 3350	Colonial Latin America	
HIST 3451	Introduction to African History	
HIST 3460	Modern Latin American History	
HIST 3470	Intro to East Asia: Since 1800	
HIST 3480	Introduction to European History	

HIST 3500	African History in Novels and Films	
HIST 4083	Russia Since 1917	
HIST 4086	Eastern Europe	
HIST/CHIN 4421	Modern China	
HIST 4431	Modern Japan	
HIST 4461	The Modern Middle East	
<i>Complete the International Studies Capstone in the final year of the program.</i>		3
INTS 4990	International Studies Capstone ¹	
<i>Complete 30 elective credit hours drawn from internationally themed courses. A minimum of 24 credits must be upper-division (3000 or 4000 level). Students must take courses in at least two different disciplines (subject codes). ²</i>		30
<i>Students may complete any two courses from Modern Languages at 2000 level or above that are not taught in English.</i>		
<i>The list below is representative of courses that will apply to the major. Various Global Education/Study Abroad courses may not appear on the approved list of courses. Please consult with an International Studies advisor for current offerings.</i>		
ANTH 3000	Globalization, Migration and Transnationalism	
ANTH 3121	Language, Culture, and Communication	
ANTH 3142	Cultural Diversity in the Modern World	
ANTH/PBHL 3200	Human Migration: Nomads, Sojourners, and Settlers	
ANTH 4010	Medical Anthropology: Global Health	
ANTH/PBHL 4080	Global Health Practice	
ANTH/PBHL 4090	Psychedelic Anthropology	
ANTH 4200	Gender in Cross-Cultural Perspective	
ANTH 4230	Fieldwork Methods	
ANTH 4300	Immigrant Health	
ANTH 4320	Archaeology of Mexico and Central America	
ANTH 4350	Anthropology of Globalization	
CHIN 2970	Contemporary Chinese Cinema	
CHIN 3200	Contemporary Chinese Society and Culture	
CHIN 3300	Special Topics on Chinese Film	
CHIN 3840	Independent Study: CHIN	
CHIN 3995	Global Study Topics	
CHIN 4880	Directed Research	
COMM 3230	Chinese Communication & Culture in Context	
COMM 3271	Communication and Diversity	
COMM 4020	Feminist Perspectives on Communication	
COMM/INTS/RLST 4152	Religion & Communication	
COMM 4270	Intercultural Communication	
COMM 4430	Communication, China, and the US	
COMM 4601	You Are What You Eat: Food as Communication	
COMM 4720	Dynamics of Global Communication	
CMDT 4582	Commodity Supply Chain Management	
CMDT 4682	Commodity Valuation and Hedging	
CMDT/FNCE 4802	Foundations of Commodities	

ECON 3400	Economics of Sex and Drugs	
ECON 3415	Issues in International Trade and Finance	
ECON 3770	Issues in Economic Development	
ECON 4081	Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory	
ECON 4410	International Trade	
ECON 4420	International Finance	
ECON 4530	Economics of Natural Resources	
ECON 4540	Environmental Economics	
ECON 4770	Development Economics	
ENGL 3080	Global Cinema	
ENGL 3798	International Perspectives in Literature and Film	
ENGL 4190	Advanced Topics in Writing, Rhetoric, & Linguistics (topic must be approved by International Studies advisor)	
ENGL 4460	Contemporary World Literature	
ENGR 3600	International Dimensions of Technology and Culture	
ENGR 3995	Global Technology, Business & Culture	
ETST 3108	Chicano/a and Latino/a History	
ETST 3110	Indigenous Studies	
ETST 3129	Contemporary Latin American Literature	
ETST 3272	Global Media	
ETST/SOCY 3697	Contemporary Asian American Experience	
ETST 3704	Culture, Racism and Alienation	
FINE 4610	Pre-Columbian Art	
FINE 4630	History of Latin American Art:1520-1820	
FINE 4715	Islamic Art and Architecture	
FINE 4730	Arts of Japan	
FINE 4750	Arts of China	
FINE 4770	Art of India and Southeast Asia	
FITV 3550	World Theatre	
FNCE 3000	Principles of Finance	
FNCE 3600	Financial Markets and Institutions	
FNCE/INTB 4370	International Financial Management	
FREN 3112	Survey of French Literature I	
FREN 3122	Survey of French Literature II	
FREN 3130	Current Topics of the French-Speaking World	
FREN 3140	Contemporary Francophone Cultures	
FREN 3200	The Francophone World in the Post-Colonial Era	
FREN 4200	French Civilization Through the Nineteenth Century	
FREN 4210	French Civilization - Twentieth and Twenty-First Centuries	
FREN 4430	Nineteenth Century French Novel	
FREN 4480	Twentieth Century French Novel	
FREN 4490	Twentieth Century French Theater	
FREN 4510	French Women Writers	
FREN 4520	Voices of Haiti and the Caribbean	
FREN 4600	History of the French Language	
GEOG 3120	Geography of Europe	
GEOG 3130	Central America and the Caribbean	
GEOG 3140	Geography of South America	

GEOG 3160	Geography of China	HIST 4416	The Age of Imperialism
GEOG 3401	Geography of Food and Agriculture	HIST 4417	Commodities and Globalization
GEOG 3412	Globalization and Regional Development	HIST 4420	Traditional China: China to 1600
GEOG 3430	Geography of Tourism	HIST/CHIN 4421	Modern China
GEOG 4265	Sustainability in Resources Management	HIST 4431	Modern Japan
GEOG 4301	Population, Culture, and Resources	HIST 4451	Southern Africa
GEOG 4305	Water Quality and Resources	HIST 4455	African Struggle for Independence
GEOG 4335	Climate Change & Society	HIST 4461	The Modern Middle East
GEOG 4420	The Politics of Nature	HIST 4462	Islam in Modern History
GEOG 4710	Disasters, Climate Change, and Health	HIST 4471	The Second World War
GEOG 4720	Climate Change: Causes, Impacts and Solutions	HIST 4472	The 1950s: Korean War, the Cold War and Social Transformation
GRMN 3200	Current German Society and Culture	HIST 4475	The Vietnam War
HIST/INTS/ETST/PHIL/RLST 3003	From Buddha to #BlackLivesMatter: The Past and Future of Nonviolence	HIST 4490	Weapons of Mass Destruction
HIST 3121	The World at War, 1914-1945	HIST 4621	Explorers and Exploration
HIST 3232	The American Colonies to 1750	HIST 4622	Oceans In History
HIST 3345	Immigration and Ethnicity in American History	INTB 3000	Global Perspectives
HIST/ETST 3350	Colonial Latin America	INTB/ENTP 4028	Global Study Topics
HIST 3364	Native Americans and Spaniards in North America	INTB/MGMT 4400	Environments of International Business
HIST 3451	Introduction to African History	INTB/MGMT 4410	Operations of International Business
HIST 3460	Modern Latin American History	INTB 4950	Special Topics in International Business
HIST 3470	Intro to East Asia: Since 1800	INTS 3939	Internship
HIST 3480	Introduction to European History	INTS 4840	Independent Study
HIST 3500	African History in Novels and Films	INTS 4880	Directed Research
HIST 3616	Global History of Energy	LDFS 3000	Undocumented Mexican Immigration
HIST 3706	Age of Revolution	LING 3100	Language in Society
HIST/INTS/CHIN/RLST/ETST 4002	Race, Gender and Religious Nationalisms in Asia and the US	MGMT 3830/4830	Business and Sustainability
HIST 4027	Enlightenment and Revolution	MGMT/MKTG 4834	London Calling: Global Sports & Entertainment Management
HIST 4028	Nations and Classes: 19th Century Europe	MKTG/INTB 4200	International Marketing
HIST 4029	Age of Anxiety in Europe	MKTG 4580	International Transportation
HIST 4032	Globalization in World History Since 1945	PBHL 3041	Health, Culture and Society
HIST 4046	Victorians and Victorianism	PBHL 3070	Perspectives in Global Health
HIST 4055	The Atlantic Slave Trade: Africa, Caribbean and U.S.	PBHL 3071	Global Topics In Sexual and Reproductive Health
HIST 4062	Modern France, 1789 to the Present	PBHL 4020	Global Health: Comparative Public Health Systems
HIST 4071	Modern Germany	PBHL 4200	The Global HIV/AIDS Epidemic
HIST 4074	Post-War Germany	PHIL 3280	War and Morality
HIST 4083	Russia Since 1917	PHIL 3430	How to think green: Environmental Ethics
HIST 4086	Eastern Europe	PHIL 3500	Ideology and Culture: Racism and Sexism
HIST 4220	U.S. Foreign Policy Since 1912	PHIL 4341	Latin American Philosophy
HIST/WGST 4303	Sex and Gender in Modern Britain	PSCI 3022	Political Systems of the World
HIST/WGST 4345	Gender, Science, and Medicine: 1600 to the Present	PSCI 3042	World Politics
HIST 4348	Mind and Malady: A History of Mental Illness	PSCI 3050	Islamophobia
HIST/ETST 4411	Modern Mexico	PSCI 3914	The Urban Citizen
HIST 4414	Nationalism and State Building in Latin America, 1750-1850	PSCI 4025	Local Governance and Globalization
HIST 4415	Social Revolutions in Latin America	PSCI 4057/RLST 4500	Religion and Politics

PSCI 4085	Comparative Governance: Environment and Society	PSCI 4736	The Middle East in World Affairs
PSCI 4105	Comparative Politics: Europe	PSCI 4807	Political Violence
PSCI 4115	Third World Politics	PSCI 4808	Strategies of Peacebuilding
PSCI 4126	Politics, Power, and Profit	PSCI 4878	War, Film, and International Law
PSCI/ETST 4144	Indigenous Political Systems	RLST 3000	Judaism, Christianity and Islam: Affinity and Difference
PSCI/ETST 4146	Indigenous Politics	RLST 3120	Islamic Traditions
PSCI/WGST 4150	Gender Politics in the Middle East: Beyond Orientalism & Islamism	RLST/PHIL 3410	Asian Philosophies and Religions
PSCI 4155	Political Systems of the Middle East and North Africa	RLST 3500	Religions of India
PSCI/ETST 4156	The Arab-Israeli Peace Process	RLST 3660/PHIL 3981	Chinese Philosophy and Culture
PSCI 4165/RLST 3100	Islamic Politics and Culture	SOCY 3720	Global Perspectives on Social Issues
PSCI 4176	Civil Resistance in Theory and Practice	SPAN 3101	Introduction to the Study of Literature
PSCI 4185	Corruption in the U.S. and Abroad	SPAN 3199	Topics in Spanish Literature
PSCI 4186	East Asia in World Affairs	SPAN 3212	Spanish American Culture and Civilization
PSCI 4195	Political Systems of Sub-Saharan Africa	SPAN 3213	Contemporary Latin American Culture and Institutions
PSCI 4206	Social Movements, Democracy and Global Politics	SPAN 3221	Culture and Civilization of Spain I
PSCI 4207	Theories of Social and Political Change	SPAN 3222	Culture and Civilization of Spain II
PSCI/WGST 4215	Women's Rights, Human Rights: Global Perspectives	SPAN 3223	Contemporary Spanish Culture and Institutions
PSCI 4216	International Politics: Human Rights	SPAN 3225	Special Topics In Hispanic Culture
PSCI 4224	Dictatorships in 21st Century	SPAN 3230	Ibero-American Cultures through Film
PSCI 4225	Democracy and Democratization	SPAN 3270	Bilingual Communities: Spanish as a Language of Contact
PSCI 4226	The United Nations in World Affairs	SPAN 3400	Survey of Spanish Literature I
PSCI 4235	Politics and Markets in Latin America	SPAN 3410	Survey of Spanish Literature II
PSCI 4236	American Foreign Policy	SPAN 3700	Spanish for International Business I
PSCI 4237	American National Security	SPAN 3710	Spanish for International Business II
PSCI 4240	International Security	SPAN 3782	Introduction to Translation I
PSCI/WGST 4248	Gender, Development and Globalization	SPAN 3792	Introduction to Translation II
PSCI 4265	Social Justice And Globalization	SPAN 4010	History of the Spanish Language
PSCI 4266	International Law	SPAN 4020	Spanish Sociolinguistics
PSCI 4276	Conflicts and Rights in International Law	SPAN 4060	Dialects of the Spanish-Speaking World
PSCI 4280	The Politics of War Law	SPAN 4110	Contemporary Spanish Literature
PSCI 4286	International Relations: War or Peace?	SPAN 4130	Medieval Spanish Literature
PSCI 4326	Advanced International Political Economy: Globalization	SPAN 4150	Masterpieces of Spanish Literature
PSCI 4354	Environmental Politics	SPAN 4170	Golden Age Drama
PSCI 4365	Global Ecological Crises	SPAN 4180	Modernism
PSCI 4437	Coercion and the State	SPAN 4190	Nineteenth-Century Spanish Novel
PSCI 4446	Advanced Indigenous Peoples' Politics	SPAN 4300	Generation of 1898
PSCI 4505	Political System of Russia and Its Neighbors	SPAN 4320	Interculturalism and Transnationalism in Modern Spain
PSCI 4535	Labor and Working Class Politics	SPAN 4330	Modern Culture of Spain through Film and Narrative
PSCI 4545	Immigration Politics	SPAN 4340	Race, Class, and Gender in Spanish Golden Age Literature
PSCI 4605	Politics and Governments of South Asia	SPAN 4350	Don Quijote
PSCI 4615	Politics and Government of China	SPAN 4360	Women and the Spanish Civil War
PSCI 4645	Comparative Political Leadership	SPAN 4380	Romanticism in Spain
PSCI 4770	Middle East Politics and Society in Film	SPAN 4399	Special Topics: Spanish Peninsular Literature
PSCI 4726	Seminar on U.S. and China Relations	SPAN 4501	Borges: An Introduction to His Labyrinths
		SPAN 4512	Contemporary Argentine Short Stories

SPAN 4521	Mexican Literature I: pre-Columbian and Colonial
SPAN 4522	Mexican Literature II: 19th to 21st Centuries
SPAN 4525	Orientalisms In The Hispanic Tradition
SPAN 4541	Unexpected Lives: Ibero-American Queer Cinema
SPAN 4550	Garcia Marquez: Words of Magic
SPAN 4590	Ibero-American Thought

Total Hours **48**

¹ Students who are unable to complete INTS 4990 as the Capstone should consult with their major advisor and gain approval for an alternative option. Options to consider include: taking and completing HUMN/SSCI 5013 - Interdisciplinary Methods and Practice with a C- or higher; (b) completing an approved competitive internship with a C- or higher; (c) earning program honors with directed research; (d) participating in the United Nations summer course.

² Courses on international and global topics may come from Anthropology, Communication, Economics, Ethnic Studies, Geography, History, Political Science, or other departments. Pre-approved courses have been clustered by department to guide student selection. Other courses may be approved with permission of an International Studies program advisor. More recent course updates and thematic groupings of course may be found on the International Studies program website.

[To learn more about the Student Learning Outcomes for this program, please visit our website.](#)

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