

The International Studies Bachelor of Arts Degree

Degree Requirements

36 required credit hours

27 general education credit hours

65 elective credit hours

Program Requirements

- Students must choose a concentration in one of the follow Areas of Emphasis: Asia; International Film Studies; European; Global Journalism; International Media Communications; International Business; International Human Rights; or Latin American.
- Students must attain language competency at the 3000 level or above.
- Students must participate in an approved Webster University study abroad experience or in an approved international internship.
- Student must complete all courses in the major with a grade of C or better.

Core Required Courses

ANSO 1090	Topics in Geography	3 hours
HRTS 1100	Introduction to Human Rights	3 hours
INTL 1500	World Systems Since 1500	3 hours
ISTL 1000	Introduction to International Studies	3 hours
ISTL 4500	International Studies Senior Capstone Course (Prerequisite: Junior Standing)	3 hours

Culture and Communication Series

Choose one course from the following:

ANSO 1070	Introduction to Cultural Anthropology	3 hours
ANSO 2030	Culture and Communication	3 hours
ILC 2150	Topics in Culture	1-3 hours
MEDC/ INTL 3260	International Communications	3 hours

Science and Technology Series:

Choose one course from the following:

BIOL 3200	Ecology	3 hours
ISTL 2600	Natural Systems and Sustainable Ecologies	3 hours
PHIL 2360	Environmental Ethics	3 hours
SCIN 1520	Environment	3 hours

For an emphasis in Asia, International Film Studies, Global Journalism, International Media Communications, or International Business, chose one course from either of the following categories:

International Arts and Fine Arts

ARHS 22XX	International Art History	3 hours
ENGL 1510	Major Dramatists 1	3 hours
FLST 2060	Modern World Cinema	3 hours
FLST 2070	History of Animation	3 hours
MUSC 1070	Topics in Music	3 hours
PHOT 2040	History of Photography	3 hours
THEA 2030	History of Theatre	3 hours

Global Civil Society

HRTS 3500	International Human Rights Law	3 hours
HRTS 3700	Human Rights and Business	3 hours
INTL 2030	International Law	3 hours
INTL 2690	Multinational Corporations	3 hours
INTL 3330	International Economic Integration	3 hours
INTL 3700	International Organizations	3 hours
POLT 1050	Intro to International Politics	3 hours

For International Human Rights Emphasis, students must choose one course from either of the following categories:

International Arts and Fine Arts

HRTS 3160	Human Rights in Film—Documentary	3 hours
HRTS 3170	Human Rights in Film—Narrative	3 hours
Topics courses as appropriate and approved.		

Global Civil Society

HRTS 1500	Current Problems in Human Rights	3 hours
HRTS 3210	Prejudice and Discrimination	3 hours
HRTS 3400	Human Rights and the Environment	3 hours
HRTS 3500	International Human Rights Law	3 hours
HRTS 3600	Genocide and the Holocaust	3 hours
HRTS 3700	Human Rights and Business	3 hours

For an Emphasis in Latin America, students must choose one course from either of the following categories:

International Arts and Fine Arts

ENGL 4030	Literature of Latin America	3 hours
FLST 3160/ ISTL 3500	Topics (with Latin American Content— e.g. Latin American film, Brazilian Culture through Music & Film, etc.)	3 hours
PHOT 4000	Photo Workshop (with Latin American content)	3 hours
SPAN 4250	Topics in Literature (with Latin American Content)	3 hours
SPAN 4650	Advanced Topics (with appropriate subtitle)	3 hours

Global Civil Society

HIST 2440	History of Latin America	3 hours
HRTS 3200	Human Rights Area Studies	3 hours
ILC 4150	Contemporary Issues (with appropriate subtitle)	3 hours
ISTL 2450	Twentieth-Century Latin America	3 hours
POLT 2550	Politics of Development (with Latin American content)	3 hours
POLT 3400	Comparative Politics (with Latin American content)	3 hours
POLT 4400	Advanced Studies in Comparative Politics: (subtitle with Latin American content)	3 hours

Students must earn 12 credits hours, of which 6 must be at the 3000 level or above, in one of the following approved areas of emphasis.

Asia Emphasis

- Students must attain competency of at least one Asian language at the 3000 level or above.
- Students must participate in an approved Webster University study abroad experience in Asia or in an approved international internship in Asia.
- Students' senior projects in the capstone course (ISTL 4500) should focus on Asia.

Students must earn 12 credit hours, of which 6 must be at the 3000 level or above, from the following:

RELG 2070	Introduction to Religions of the East	3 hours
ANSO 2100	Peoples and Cultures (with appropriate subtitle)	3 hours
ARHS 2320	Introduction to Asian Art	3 hours
HIST 2400	Modern Asia	3 hours
MNGT 3100	Issues in Management: Asian Culture and Business	3 hours
POLT 3400	Comparative Politics (with appropriate subtitle)	3 hours
ISTL 3550	Advanced Topics in Asian Studies	3 hours

(maximum 6 credits with prior approval by the International Studies major advisor)

International Film Studies Emphasis

Two courses from the following:

FLST 2050	History of Film	3 hours
FLST 2060	Modern World Cinema	4 hours
FLST 2070	History of Animation	3 hours
FLST 3160	Topics in Film	3 hours

(two classes cross-listed with the Int'l Studies program)

Prerequisite: FLST 1080 or 2060

European Emphasis

Required Courses:

HIST 2220	Modern Europe	3 hours
Two courses from: International Arts and Fine Arts (with European focus)		
ENGL 2020	Major British Writers I	3 hours
ENGL 2030	Major British Writers II	3 hours
ENGL 3900	Myth and Classical Literature (Homer, Virgil, and Dante)	hours
ENGL 4020	Heroic Themes (Malroy, Spenser, and Milton)	3 hours
ENGL 4150	Shakespeare I	3 hours
ENGL 4160	Shakespeare II	3 hours
ILC 2150	Topics in Culture *	1-3 hours
ILC 4150	Contemporary Issues*	1-3 hours
ARHS 2210	Intro to the History of Western Art	3 hours
ARHS 3340	History of Renaissance Art	3 hours
ARHS 3350	Seventeenth and Eighteenth Century Art	3 hours
ARHS 4350	Topics in Art History *	1-3 hours
MUSC 1050	Introduction to Music Appreciation	3 hours
MUSC 1070	Topics in Music (with European content)	3 hours
PHIL 2510	Philosophic Classics: Ancient Greece and Rome	3 hours
PHIL 2520	Philosophic Classics: Early Modern Europe	3 hours
PHIL 3100	Literature and Philosophy	3 hours
PHIL 4050	Topics in the History of Philosophy *	3 hours

Global Civil Society (with European focus)

Two courses from:

HIST 3000	History of Ideas*	3 hours
RELG 3180	Judaism	3 hours
RELG 3190	Christianity	3 hours
HIST 2200	History of Medieval Society	3 hours
HIST 2210	Renaissance and Reformation*	3 hours
HIST 2220	Modern Europe*	3 hours
HIST 2250	History of Russia*	3 hours
HIST 2280	History of England*	3 hours
HIST 2310	Encounters with History*	3 hours
HIST 3060	History Roundtable *	3 hours
HIST 3150	International Affairs *	3 hours
HIST 4200	Advanced Studies in European History*	3 hours
HIST 4600	History Seminar *	3 hours
POLT 3400	Comparative Politics *	3 hours
POLT 4200	Advanced Studies in Political Theory *	3 hours
POLT 4100	Advanced Studies in International Politics *	3 hours
POLT 4400	Advanced Studies in Comparative Politics *	3 hours
POLT 4600	Political Science Seminar *	3 hours

*May be repeated if content differs. Must have European focus.

Global Journalism Emphasis

JOUR 3080 Global Journalism 3 hours

Three courses from the following:

JOUR 3120 Global Affairs Reporting 3 hours

JOUR 3190 Topics in International Journalism 3 hours

JOUR 3750 Environmental Journalism and Communications;
Prerequisite: Jour 1030 or SCIN 1520 3 hours

JOUR 4220 Advanced Global Journalism 3 hours

International Media Communications Emphasis

MEDC 2800 Cultural Diversity in the Media 3 hours

Three courses from the following:

JOUR 3190 Topics in International Journalism 3 hours

Prerequisite: JOUR 3080

MEDC 3150 Topics in Media Communication (w/Int'l. content) 3 hours

MEDC 3700 Topics in International Communications
(w/Int'l. content) 3 hours

MEDC 3800 Topics in Cultural Diversity
(with international content) 3 hours

ADVT 3910 International Advertising 3 hours

International Business Emphasis

BUSN 4650 International Business 3 hours

Prerequisite: MNGT 2100

ECON 4720 International Trade and Finance 3 hours

Prerequisite: ECON 2020 and ECON 2030

MNGT 4100 International Management 3 hours

Prerequisite: MNGT 2100 and MNGT 3400

MNGT 4330 International Marketing 3 hours

Prerequisite: MNGT 3500

International Human Rights Emphasis

12 credit hours from among the following

(in addition to any courses selected in the above categories)

HRTS 2500 Current Problems in Human Rights 3 hours

HRTS 3160 Human Rights in Film--Documentary 3 hours

HRTS 3170 Human Rights in Film--Narrative 3 hours

HRTS 3200 Human Rights Area Studies 3 hours

HRTS 3210 Prejudice and Discrimination 3 hours

HRTS 3400 Human Rights and the Environment 3 hours

HRTS 3500 International Human Rights Law 3 hours

HRTS 3600	Topics in Mass Violence	3 hours
HRTS 3700	Human Rights and Business	3 hours
HRTS 4500	International Field Experience	3 hours

Latin America Emphasis

Students should complete their international experience in a country relevant to Latin America and show proficiency at the 3000 level or above in a language also relevant to Latin America.

One from the following:

ISTL 1100	Introduction to Latin American Studies	3 hours
ILC 2150	Topics in Culture (with appropriate subtitle)	3 hours
SPAN 3150	Culture and Civilization of the Spanish Speaking World: Latin America	3 hours

One from the following

ISTL 2450	Twentieth-Century Latin America	3 hours
POLT 2550	The Politics of the Developing World (with appropriate subtitle)	3 hours

HIST 2440	History of Latin America	3 hours
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At least two additional courses with substantial Latin American content drawn from the above or from a list of courses available from the CIE or from the coordinator of Latin American Studies.

Up to 12 credit hours may, with approval, apply both to the international studies major and a second or dual major. This option does not apply to a dual major in international studies and international relations, or to other similarly related areas (such as international human rights or international business).