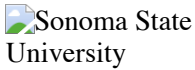


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International Studies Advisors

Students interested in obtaining a minor in International Studies should contact Professors
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International Studies Programs

Students who wish to pursue a course of study with a strong international emphasis can choose among campus-based major programs in foreign-area studies, minors in international studies and Teaching English as a Second Language (TESL), and modern language courses designed to meet specific academic and career objectives. Study abroad opportunities can be integrated into all of these curricular options.

Minor in International Studies

The minor in international studies is an interdisciplinary program recommended for students preparing for professional, managerial, and service careers in international affairs, business, or education, and complements majors in the social sciences, humanities, and natural sciences. Recognizing the increasing interdependence of the world, the minor is designed to increase the awareness and understanding of other cultures as well as develop a broader perspective on global issues and international relations. It provides an opportunity to explore and compare the social structures, cultures, political institutions and economic systems of other countries, as well as to study relations between them.

The minor consists of 20 semester units, which include at least one course from two different categories in Group A and at least one course from two different categories in Group B. Courses used for general education may not be counted toward the minor, and not more than 8 units from the student's major may be used toward the minor.

Group A

Select courses from at least two of the following three categories:

I. Societies and Environment

ANTH 340 Living in a Pluralistic World (3)
 ANTH 345 Nature and Society: Topics in Anthropology and the Environment (3)
 ENSP 301 The Human Environment (4)
 GEOG 302 World Regional Geography (4)
 SOCI 497 Interdisciplinary Seminar: Comparative Society (1-4)

II. Alternative Political and Economic Models

ANTH 360 Progress or Oppression: Anthropological Perspectives on Development (3)
 ECON 403 Seminar in International Development (4)
 ECON 426 Seminar in History of Economic Thought (3)
 ENSP 304A African Food Crisis (3)
 GEOG 320 Political Geography (3-4)

GEOG 338 Social Geography (3-4)
 GEOG 343 Economic Geography (3-4)
 HIST 380 20th Century World (3)
 POLS 315 Democracy, Capitalism, and Socialism (4)
 POLS 350 European Parliamentary Democracies (4)
 POLS 351 Politics of Russia (4)
 POLS 352 Politics of Eastern Europe (4)
 POLS 452 Third World Political Systems (4)

III. International Relations

BUS 393 Introduction to International Business (3)
 ECON 303 International Economics (4)
 HIST 434 The United States and Latin America (4)
 POLS 342 International Politics and Foreign Policy (4)
 POLS 345 Model United Nations (2-4)
 POLS 444 United States Foreign Policy (4)

Group B

Select courses from at least two of the following three categories:

IV. International Cultural Perspectives

Specified courses offering a cross-cultural study in the departments of art, English, history, Hutchins, music, philosophy, and theatre arts.

V. Regional Emphasis

Courses on regions or cultures other than the United States in the departments of anthropology, art, modern languages, geography, history, India studies, music, philosophy, political science, or sociology.

VI. Modern Languages

Modern language courses in the department of modern languages and literatures. (All modern language skill courses numbered 201 or higher are applicable toward completion of the international studies minor.)

Total units in the minor

20

Modern Language Studies

For students seriously interested in imparting an international emphasis to their baccalaureate work, the study of at least one modern language is essential. Without the broadened cultural-linguistic flexibility and heightened self-understanding that result from learning a modern language, one can see the world only through the filter of one's own language and culture. The way to move beyond one's own innate nationalism to a truly international perspective is to learn the language, and therewith the habits and thought patterns of another people.

The University offers modern language programs in French, German, and Spanish. The major programs (French and Spanish) offer various interdisciplinary study options, allowing students maximum flexibility in choosing a program that fits their specific needs. Please see Modern Languages and Literatures section in this catalog for a detailed description of each program.

The paramount intent in all of these courses and programs is to move students smoothly and rapidly toward genuine fluency in speaking, writing, and understanding the modern language. The large number of Sonoma State University students who go on to apply their language skills to work or study abroad testifies to the program's success in this endeavor.

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