Honors in the Major

Students have the opportunity to graduate with honors in the major. International studies honors students must maintain a cumulative University of Iowa grade-point average (GPA) of at least 3.33 and a GPA of at least 3.33 in all coursework for the major and in all coursework that may be applied to the major.

To graduate with honors in the major, students must complete a minimum of 46 s.h. for the major (an additional 3 s.h.).

Honors students must choose IS:3010 Writing and Research for the World for their capstone option, and complete IS:4991 Honors Thesis in International Studies. Students also are encouraged to present their research in a public venue, such as the Spring Undergraduate Research Festival (SURF).

University of Iowa Honors Program

In addition to honors in the major, students have opportunities for honors study and activities through membership in the University of Iowa Honors Program. Visit Honors at Iowa to learn about the university’s honors program.

Membership in the UI Honors Program is not required to earn honors in the international studies major.