

International Studies, BA

International studies students learn that the complexity of current world conditions requires a multidisciplinary approach to problem solving. They take core international studies courses to learn key concepts and practical skills, and extend their education by choosing from an array of internationally focused courses from the social sciences, humanities, and the arts.

Students are also encouraged to develop real-world intercultural skills by studying abroad, engaging locally with international communities, participating in service learning and internships, and conducting research. Through academic and cocurricular experiences, students become prepared to positively contribute to the world.

As a second major, international studies can add cross-cultural skills and perspectives to degrees in business, health sciences, journalism, and the arts.

Learning Outcomes

Students will be able to:

- recognize that the complexity of current world conditions requires a multidisciplinary approach to problem solving;
- analyze and synthesize information about key topics in international studies;
- demonstrate intellectual open-mindedness when addressing global issues; and
- apply cross-cultural skills when engaging respectfully with people from other countries and diverse communities in the United States.