Minor in International Studies General Bulletin 2026-2027

Name: _____

Student ID: _____

Required Courses

Course Subject	Course Number	Course Title	Credits	Grade	Semester	Equivalent
LANG	294	Seminar/Workshop	3			
LANG	499	International Studies Capstone	1			

Language Requirement

Students are required to complete at least one course in a modern language (students in the UISFL East Asian Program must complete 2 years of language study in Chinese, Japanese, or Korean.

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Required Focus

Students are required to select one of the following options:

Option A: Study Abroad

After satisfying the core requirements, the student is encouraged to choose an area for overseas study through consultation with the Office of International Studies and the Academic Advisor. Credits earned while studying abroad will constitute the remaining courses for the fulfillment of the minor. *Upon returning to campus or upon completion of the minor, the student will register for the capstone course LANG 499*.

Option B: On Campus

The student must first satisfy the core requirements except the Capstone. Remaining courses will be selected in consultation with an advisor so that they constitute a focus of interest, such as Latin America, Asia, the Arts, or General Comparative. At least 6 credits of this coursework must be upper division (at the 300- or 400- level). With guidance of the advisor for International Studies, the student will then write a short essay which states the rationale for the choice of courses for the focus area. Upon completion of the focus area courses, the student will register for the capstone course LANG 499.

Courses in the focus area may come from these **General Education Categories:**

III. Social Sciences and History

IV. Cultural Diversity

V. Arts and Humanities

Other courses may apply. Students must consult the advisor for inclusion of specific courses which are not in the above General Education Categories.

Focus Area/Interest Courses

Students select 12 credits in consultation with an advisor.

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Sample/Possible Focus Areas and Course Options

Latin American focus:

Course Subject	Course Number	Course Title	Credits	Grade	Semester	Equivalent
HSTR	332	Pre-Columbian & Colonial Latin America	3			
HSTR	336	Modern Latin America	3			
SPNS	312	Hispanic Culture and Civilization II	3			
PSCI	230	Intro to International Relations	3			

Asia focus:

Course Subject	Course Number	Course Title	Credits	Grade	Semester	Equivalent
HSTR	440	Topics in Asian History	3			
LANG	102	Elementary Modern Language II (Japanese)	4			
LANG	102	Elementary Modern Language II (Korean)	4			

General Comparative focus:

Course Subject	Course Number	Course Title	Credits	Grade	Semester	Equivalent
RLST	304	Mythology Around the World	3			
SOCI	370	Sociology of Globalization	3			
WGSS	274	Women, Culture, and Society	3			

Comparative Arts focus:

Course Subject	Course Number	Course Title	Credits	Grade	Semester	Equivalent
ARTH	160	Global Visual Culture	3			
FILM	160	Introduction to World Cinema	3			
LIT	230	World Literature Survey	3			
MUSI	207	World Music	3			

Total minimum credits for the minor: 22-23 credits

ARTH 160, FILM 160, MUSI 207 and PSCI 230 may satisfy General Education requirements.

Certain courses in this program have prerequisites; students should check the course descriptions in the General Bulletin for required prerequisites.

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