

Global Studies

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Now, more than ever, global knowledge, language abilities, and international experience are crucial for students preparing to enter a global workforce. The Global Studies major and minor prepare students for just that by combining bedrock instruction in multiple disciplines with foreign language instruction, regional enrichment, and specialization in one of three thematic tracks: global security, global economy, or global cultures. The Global Studies major and minor go beyond work done in other majors by exposing students to interdisciplinary perspectives on the world. Students gain advanced knowledge about international cultures and perspectives as well as essential skills like critical thinking and effective communication that are prized by every professional industry.

A bachelor's degree in Global Studies prepares students to:

- **Understand complex global problems** using tools from multiple disciplines, including economic analysis, social science and historical methods.
- **Communicate ideas about global issues effectively**, through written work, oral expression and digital communication tools.
- **Look beyond local and national boundaries** to see themselves as part of a global network, the sustainability of which requires ethical and moral forthrightness.
- **Experience other cultures**, by studying a world language and participating in a regional enrichment experience such as study abroad.
- **Thrive professionally** in a variety of careers in an increasingly global marketplace.

Careers

Students with a degree in Global Studies thrive in a variety of industries, including local and national government, advocacy, policy development, the business sector and diplomacy. Foreign language proficiency and study abroad experience will also make Global Studies graduates attractive job candidates in a variety of industries, including business, civil service, government, education, law, trade, and policy.

Programs

- Bachelor of Arts in Global Studies
- Minor in Global Studies

Courses

GBST 2000. Special Topics in Global Studies. 3 Credit Hours.

Topics vary each semester; please consult with the instructor for more information. Note: This course will count towards an elective for students declared in the Global Studies major.

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

GBST 2010. Special Topics in Global Security. 3 Credit Hours.

Topics vary each semester; please consult with the instructor for more information. Note: This course will count towards an elective for students declared in the security track of the Global Studies major.

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

GBST 2020. Special Topics in Global Economy. 3 Credit Hours.

Topics vary each semester; please consult with the instructor for more information. Note: This course will count towards an elective for students declared in the economy track of the Global Studies major.

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

GBST 2030. Special Topics in Global Cultures. 3 Credit Hours.

Topics vary each semester; please consult with the instructor for more information. Note: This course will count towards an elective for students declared in the cultural track of the Global Studies major.

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

GBST 2082. Independent Study. 1 to 6 Credit Hour.

Arranged each semester; please consult with the instructor.

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

GBST 2096. Introduction to Global Studies. 3 Credit Hours.

The 21st century is an age of globalization. Individuals no longer live their lives exclusively within local and national communities, but are touched by, and interact with, states, groups, firms and individuals across the world. In the area of international security, states have always fought, and prepared to fight, wars with other states, but in the 21st century these interstate wars have been joined by both increasingly destructive civil wars within countries, and by international and global terrorism perpetrated by non-state actors. In the economic realm, recent decades have witnessed a dramatic opening of almost all the world's economies to flows of international trade, finance, and people, such that all of us are now touched, in one way or another, by developments in the global economy. In the realm of culture, centuries-old national cultures, languages and traditions that have shaped people's world views are increasingly coming into contact - via increased travel, mass communications, and the internet - with cultural impacts from other countries.

Course Attributes: WI

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

GBST 2900. Honors Special Topics. 3 Credit Hours.

Topics vary each semester, please consult with the instructor for more information.

Cohort Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Cohorts: SCHONORS, UHONORS, UHONORSTR.

Course Attributes: HO

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

GBST 3000. Special Topics in Global Studies. 3 Credit Hours.

Topics vary each semester; please consult with the instructor for more information. Note: This course will count towards an elective for students declared in the Global Studies major.

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

GBST 3010. Special Topics in Global Security. 3 Credit Hours.

Topics vary each semester; please consult with the instructor for more information. Note: This course will count towards an elective for students declared in the security track of the Global Studies major.

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

GBST 3020. Special Topics in Global Economy. 3 Credit Hours.

Topics vary each semester; please consult with the instructor for more information. Note: This course will count towards an elective for students declared in the economy track of the Global Studies major.

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

GBST 3030. Special Topics in Global Cultures. 3 Credit Hours.

Topics vary each semester; please consult with the instructor for more information. Note: This course will count towards an elective for students declared in the cultural track of the Global Studies major.

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

GBST 3082. Independent Study. 1 to 6 Credit Hour.

Arranged each semester; please consult with the instructor.

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

GBST 3083. Directed Readings. 1 to 6 Credit Hour.

Arranged each semester; please consult with the instructor.

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

GBST 3085. Internship. 1 to 6 Credit Hour.

Arranged each semester; please consult with the instructor.

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

GBST 3089. Fieldwork. 1 to 6 Credit Hour.

Arranged each semester; please consult with the instructor.

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

GBST 3900. Honors Special Topics. 3 Credit Hours.

Topics vary each semester, please consult with the instructor for more information.

Cohort Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Cohorts: SCHONORS, UHONORS, UHONORSTR.

Course Attributes: HO

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

GBST 4096. Capstone Seminar in Global Studies. 3 Credit Hours.

This capstone research seminar is designed for seniors in Global Studies, with the specific aim of helping students carry out and complete an independent research project in their areas of concentration. Over the course of this semester, you will select a research topic, formulate a research question, engage with the scholarly literature on this question, generate hypotheses for empirical testing (if appropriate), and set out a research design and methodology that will allow you to test and present compelling findings about your chosen research question. Whether you are coming to the seminar with well established ideas about the possible topic of your research paper, or are starting from scratch, the course will give you the skills you need to select a research question and move, step by step, to a completed work of original global studies scholarship.

Course Attributes: WI

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

Pre-requisites:

GBST 2096|Minimum Grade of C-|May not be taken concurrently.