International Studies

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This multidisciplinary program is for students desiring a flexible curriculum with an international focus. Students take courses in International Studies, Political Science, History, Economics, and Modern Languages. This program provides a solid basis for graduate studies or careers in government service, international agencies, multinational corporations, non-profit organizations, law, or the military.

Program Requirements

In addition to the Bachelor of Arts and General Education requirements, all International Studies (IS) majors are required to complete:

IN 101	Introduction to International Studies	3
IN 410	Seminar in International Studies	3
PO 105	American Politics	3
PO 202	Introduction to Comparative Politics	3
PO 215	International Relations	3
HI 108	The History of Civilization II	3
EC 201	Principles of Economics (Macro)	3
EC 202	Principles of Economics (Micro)	3
Two history electives		
EC 419	International Economics	3

IS majors must select also four Area Studies courses, two in political science and two in history. The political science options are: PO 310, PO 320, PO 340, and PO 348. The history options include any history course in this catalogue designated as European or Non-Western, as well as HI 338 and HI 339 (U.S. Diplomatic History).

International Studies [IS] students must spend at least one semester in a study abroad program (normally in the junior or senior year), and take all courses abroad in a foreign language studied at Norwich, with the exception of Chinese where content courses can be taken in English. Study abroad can also include a pre-approved credit-bearing internship.

At least one of their 300 level modern language courses will be taken abroad and transferred to Norwich.

IS students must have a minimum cumulative 2.50 GPA at the end of their Sophomore year, and maintain that average or higher through the time of their application for study abroad.

The study abroad requirement must be fulfilled prior to taking IN 410, the International Studies Senior Seminar capstone course.

Student will be required to leave the IS program if they fail to have the minimum cumulative 2.50 GPA at the end of their sophomore year. A decision to require a student to leave the IS program shall be made by a majority vote of the IS Faculty Advisory Board with the concurrence of the History and Political Science Department Chair. The student must then find another major if he/she wishes to remain at Norwich University.

Exceptions to any of these provisions may be petitioned to and approved by a majority vote of the IS Faculty Advisory Board. The decision of the Board may be appealed to the Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and the Committee on Academic Standing and Degrees. The final decision shall be communicated to the Office of the Registrar.

International students in the IS program have the option to pursue a program of study specifically designed for them; this option can include an off-campus experience within the U.S. (e.g. Washington, DC Semester program).

For an IS major to graduate, the following courses must be completed with a grade of "C" or better: IN 101, IN 410, PO 105, PO 202, PO 215, Modern Language 205 and 206, EC 201, EC 202.

B.A. in International Studies – Curriculum Map

First Year

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
EN 101 Composition and Literature I	3	EN 102 Composition and Literature II	3
HI 108 The History of Civilization II	3	PO 105 American Politics	3
IN 101 Introduction to International Studies	3	Modern Language 112 ¹	6
Modern Language 111 ¹	6	Math Elective	3
	15		15
Second Year			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
Fall EN 201 World Literature I	Credits 3	Spring EN 202 World Literature II	Credits 3
EN 201 World		EN 202 World	
EN 201 World Literature I EC 201 Principles of Economics	3	EN 202 World Literature II EC 202 Principles of Economics	3
EN 201 World Literature I EC 201 Principles of Economics (Macro) Modern	3	EN 202 World Literature II EC 202 Principles of Economics (Micro) Modern	3
EN 201 World Literature I EC 201 Principles of Economics (Macro) Modern Language 205 ¹	3 3 3	EN 202 World Literature II EC 202 Principles of Economics (Micro) Modern Language 206 ¹	3 3 3

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Third Year

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
Study Abroad		Study Abroad	
Elective	3	Humanities Elective	3
Elective	3	COMP. PO./ Hist. Elective ³	3
Elective	3	Lab Science	4
Modern Language (300 level) ¹	3	Modern Language (300 level) ¹	3
Elective	3	Elective	3
	15		16
Fourth Year			

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
Humanities Elective	3	Humanities Elective	3
EC 419 International Economics	3	Elective	3
Lab Science	4	History Elective	3
COMP. PO./ Hist. Elective ³	3	COMP. PO./ Hist Elective ³	3
COMP. PO./ Hist. Elective ³	3	IN 410 Seminar in International Studies	3
	16		15

Total Credits: 122

- ¹ Languages other than Chinese, French, Spanish, or German may be used to satisfy the language requirement with the approval of the Modern Languages Department. To satisfy the study abroad requirement, students will study in a Chinese, French, Spanish, or German speaking country unless a substitute language has been approved by the Modern Languages Department.
- ² Must satisfy the General Education ethics requirement.
- ³ Comparative Politics or History Elective chosen as follows: two courses from PO 310, PO 320, PO 340, or PO 348 and two History courses at the 200-level (HI 201, HI 202, HI 211, HI 212, HI 214, HI 218, HI 223, HI 224, HI 227, HI 235, or HI 236) and two History courses at the 300-level (HI 303, HI 304, HI 315, HI 317, HI 319, HI 321, HI 322, HI 326, HI 329, HI 338, HI 339, HI 371, HI 372, and HI 373).

Courses

IN 101. Introduction to International Studies. 3 Credits.

Drawing upon the major disciplines within the social sciences, this course provides a multidisciplinary understanding of the forces that shape and affect relationships among human communities. Among the topics considered are: Ethics and human rights, geography and spatial analysis, the role of culture, and the independent and combined effects of politics and economics. In addition, the course introduces students to the methods used to address the questions and problems with which the discipline is concerned.

IN 350. Topics in International Studies. 3 Credits.

Selected Topics in international studies to be used to cover subjects not included in the regular offerings. The course can be offered and taught by faculty in other disciplines upon prior approval of the history & Political Science Department Chair. The course seeks to enhance an appreciation for the multidisciplinary nature of international studies. 3 lecture hours.

IN 410. Seminar in International Studies. 3 Credits.

This capstone course is a reading and writing intensive course designed to introduce students to graduate level work in International Studies. Seminar topics will be determined by the instructor. Prerequisite: Senior standing or permission of the instructor.

IN 490. Honors in International Studies. 3 Credits.

This course is intended for senior students who have demonstrated superior research and writing skills. It requires the commitment of an entire academic year. Topic determined by the student and faculty member. Prerequisite: Senior standing and permission of the instructor.