

## International Studies

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### Mission:

The International Studies program develops, within students, an appreciation for the diversity of political, economic, and cultural systems in the world through an interdisciplinary curriculum. In addition to coursework, students expand their understanding of the world by studying abroad. International Studies majors develop self-discipline, critical thinking skills, and the ability to communicate effectively in both their language and a second language.

### Goals:

- Develop the skills which will enable students to have successful and rewarding careers.
- Develop proficiency in a second language.
- Develop a substantive knowledge of the culture, history, political system and economy of a different country or region.

### Outcomes:

- Have studied abroad in a non-English speaking country for at least one semester.
- Able to write and speak effectively about foreign study experiences.
- Be prepared for the job market, graduate studies, or law school.

### Careers for this Major:

- Graduate studies
- Government service
- International agencies
- Multinational corporations
- Non-profit organizations
- Law
- Military

### B.A. International Studies - Curriculum Map

Exceptions to any of these provisions listed below in the footnotes 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.

To graduate with a degree in International Studies, a student must fulfill International Studies Program requirements as well as the General Education (<http://catalog.norwich.edu/archives/2015-16/residentialprogramscatalog/generaleducationgoals>) and Bachelor of Arts requirements (<http://catalog.norwich.edu/archives/2015-16/residentialprogramscatalog/degrees>) listed in the Curriculum Map below.

<b>Freshman</b>			
<b>Fall</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Spring</b>	<b>Credits</b>
EN 101 Composition and Literature I	3	EN 102 Composition and Literature II	3
HI 108 The History of Civilization II (General Education History)	3	General Education Math	3
IN 101 Introduction to International Studies *	3	Modern Language 112 <sup>1</sup>	6
Modern Language 111 <sup>1</sup>	6	PO 105 American Politics (General Education Social Science ) *	3
	<b>15</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Sophomore</b>			
<b>Fall</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Spring</b>	<b>Credits</b>
EN 201 World Literature I (BA Requirement)	3	EC 202 Principles of Economics (Micro) or 201 Principles of Economics (Macro) *	3
EC 201 Principles of Economics (Macro) or 202 Principles of Economics (Micro)	3	EN 202 World Literature II (BA Requirement)	3
General Education Math	3	General Education Ethics	3
Modern Language 205 <sup>1, *</sup>	3	Modern Language 206 <sup>1, *</sup>	3
PO 215 International Relations *	3	PO 202 Introduction to Comparative Politics *	3
	<b>15</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Junior</b>			
<b>Fall</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Spring</b>	<b>Credits</b>
Study Abroad Free Elective <sup>7</sup>	3	Comparative Politics Elective <sup>3</sup>	3
Study Abroad Free Elective <sup>7</sup>	3	General Education Lab Science	4
Study Abroad Free Elective <sup>7</sup>	3	General Education Literature	3
Study Abroad Modern Language (300 level) <sup>2, 7</sup>	3	Modern Language (300 level) <sup>1</sup>	3
Study Abroad Humanities Elective	3	Free Elective	3
	<b>15</b>		<b>16</b>
<b>Senior</b>			
<b>Fall</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Spring</b>	<b>Credits</b>
Comparative Politics Elective <sup>3</sup>	3	BA Arts & Humanities Elective	3
General Education Lab Science	4	EC 419 International Economics	3
History Elective (200 level) <sup>4</sup>	3	History Elective (200 level) <sup>4</sup>	3
History Elective (300 level)	5	History Elective (300 level) <sup>5</sup>	3
Free Elective	3	IN 410 Seminar in International Studies (Capstone) <sup>6, *</sup>	3
	<b>18</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Total Credits: 124</b>			

<sup>1</sup> Languages other than Chinese, French, Spanish, or German may be used to satisfy the language requirement with the approval of the Modern Languages Department.

<sup>2</sup> At least one 300 level Modern Language courses must be taken abroad.

<sup>3</sup> Choose 2 courses from Political Science courses from PO 301, PO 305, PO 310, PO 320, PO 333, PO 340, PO 348, PO 405, PO 412, or PO 415

<sup>4</sup> Choose 2 History courses from HI 201, HI 202, HI 211, HI 212, HI 214, HI 218 HI 223 HI 224, HI 227, HI 235, or HI 236

<sup>5</sup> Choose 2 History courses from HI 303, HI 304, HI 315, HI 317, HI 319, HI 321, HI 322 HI 326, HI 329, HI 338, HI 339, HI 345 HI 363, HI 371, HI 372, or HI 373

<sup>6</sup> Study Abroad must be completed before enrollment in IN 410

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- 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 pre-approved credit-bearing internships or an off-campus experience within the U.S. (e.g. Washington, DC Semester program).
  - International Studies students must have a minimum cumulative 2.5 GPA at the end of the Sophomore year, and maintain this GPA through the time they apply for study abroad. Student will be required to leave the IS program if they fail to have the minimum cumulative 2.5 GPA at the end of their sophomore year. A decision to require a student to leave the IS program is done by a majority vote of the IS Faculty Advisory Board with the concurrence of the History and Political Science Department Chair.

\* Grade must be C or higher

## 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.