Global Studies

Global Studies is an interdisciplinary undergraduate program that offers a major leading to the B.A. in Global Studies. The program provides students with the opportunity to investigate and analyze the globalized world and the transnational interconnections that are its hallmark. The innovative curriculum includes required core courses housed in Global Studies as well as cross-listed courses drawn from across the university. Through critical analysis of the contemporary world, carried out in coursework and through hands-on research and internship opportunities, students in the program accrue knowledge, scholarly abilities, and practical skills that will prepare them as informed global citizens and members of the 21st century workforce. The program will prepare students to pursue graduate education and careers in a wide range of fields, including international business and law, applied social sciences, community resources management, social services, and international development.

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**GS-201. Introduction To Global Studies I. 3 Hours.**
This course introduces students to the multiple dimensions and impact of globalization as it is reflected across disciplines. Accordingly, we explore globalization through specific themes and approaches, including those of: 1) Culture, Society, and Identity; 2) Language, Knowledge, and Representation; 3) Power, Movements, and Political Economy; 4) Nature, Technology, and the Body; 5) Violence, Resistance, and Resolution. In this way, the course generates a comparative understanding of the significant implications arising in the wake of an increasingly globalized world.

**GS-205. Writing Intensive Program: Interdisciplinary Research And Writing. 3 Hours.**
Interdisciplinary Research and Writing provides students with practical training in conducting research and writing effectively in an interdisciplinary field. Students will learn about the advantages and challenges of interdisciplinary scholarship through a series of stepped research and writing assignments, including literature searches and reviews, hands-on experimentation with field methods, and multiple formal and informal writing activities that guide students in creating rough drafts, conducting revisions, and producing polished work. The course serves students in all interdisciplinary fields.

**Prerequisite:** ENGL-101 minimum grade of C.

**GS-399. Capstone Global Studies. 4 Hours.**
In this course students will examine and conduct research on global phenomena. We will read and debate a range of approaches to the study of the global, addressing both methodological and theoretical issues. Students will conduct individual research projects, working through all the stages from proposal to completed paper. As the capstone course for the Global Studies Program, the primary course goal is to provide students with practical experience in linking reading and discussion of published sources in Global Studies to the tasks of researching, analyzing, and writing about their own areas of interest in the field.

**Prerequisites:** GS-201 minimum grade of C and GS-202 minimum grade of C.