

PROGRAM SUMMARY

- **Credit Hours:** 120 hours
- **Concentrations:** Comparative Studies: Development and Sustainability; Comparative Studies: Peace, Conflict, and Identify; Comparative Studies: Holocaust, Genocide, and Human Rights; Area Studies: Asia; Area Studies: Europe
- **Declaring the Major:** Minimum GPA of 2.0; students with GPA below 2.0 should consult with departmental advisor; no pre-requisite courses; change of major form accepted year-round; orientation/advising session required after declaration
- **Advising (For the Major):** Required on admission to the major; recommended during pre-registration for all students
- **Advising (For General Education):** by Global Studies department advisors or by advisors in CLAS Advising Center
- **Minimum Grades/GPA:** GPA of 2.0 in the major required for graduation
- **Teacher Licensure:** No
- **Evening Classes Available:** YES; some electives can be completed at night, but all required courses are not available at night so, the major cannot be completed at night.
- **Weekend Classes Available:** No
- **Other Information:** Internships, Fowler Scholarship, Phi Beta Delta Honor Society, Study Abroad
- **Contact(s):** Dr. Charles Houck, Director of Undergraduate Studies, Macy 104, cwhouck@uncc.edu

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

The International Studies major has a *moderately flexible* curriculum. Ideally, the 30-hour course of study will be structured as follows: 1) INTL 1101 – Introduction to International Studies; 2) 15 hours of course work (one required 2000-level introductory course and four intermediate or upper-division electives from a designated list) in one of three Comparative Studies Concentrations (Development and Sustainability Studies, Peace and Conflict Studies, Holocaust, Genocide, and Human Rights Studies) or one of two Area Studies Concentrations (Asia or Europe). For Comparative Studies Concentrations, at least two of the four concentration electives should be courses with an INTL prefix; 3) 9 hours of electives consisting of three courses with an INTL prefix outside of the student’s Concentration; 4) INTL 4601 – Senior Seminar in International Studies. Majors must also complete related work in foreign language and an international experience. Within this framework, students have flexibility in designing their own program of study *in consultation with an advisor*, so students declaring as sophomores and even early in their junior year can usually finish their degree on schedule.

Areas	Credit Hours	Description
Pre-Major/ Prerequisites	-	
Major	30	Required courses in the major will count towards university requirements for Oral Communications and the Writing Intensive requirement.
General Education <i>(not satisfied by other major requirements)</i>	33-40	Does not include required writing intensive and oral communications courses included in the major. Because of the interdisciplinary nature of the program, the General Education requirements covered by major courses will vary from student to student. Transfer students with an associate’s degree are exempt from most General Education, but must complete Writing Intensive requirement and the Foreign Language requirement.
Related Work	Varies	Students are required to complete an international experience related to the concentration they have selected. This may be fulfilled through participation in a formal education abroad program or through foreign-based work, service, or internship activities. This experience must be specified and approved by an advisor. Academic credits earned may be applied to the requirements of the major.
Foreign Language	0-18	Students are expected to demonstrate competency in a foreign language appropriate to the area studies concentration they have selected by completing the equivalent of two courses at the 3000 level or above. Language courses at the 3000 level offered in English do not apply to the foreign language requirement.
Electives	27-42	As needed to complete 120 hours total.
Total Credit Hours	120	

SUGGESTED PLAN OF STUDY

Freshman Year					
Course Number	Course Title	Credit Hours	General Education	W/O Course	Notes
UWRT 1103	Writing and Inquiry in Academic Contexts I and II (Or UWRT 1104)	3	X		
XXXX 1201	Foreign Language (Fall)	3-4			
MATH XXXX	Math	3	X		
LBST 11XX	LBST 1100 Series: Arts and Society	3	X		
INTL 1101	Introduction to International Studies	3			
LBST 2301	Critical Thinking and Communication	3	X		
XXXX 1202	Foreign Language (Spring)	3-4			
INTL 2XXX	Introduction to INTL Concentration	3			
XXXX XXXX	General Elective	3			
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30-32 Credit Hours for Year

Sophomore Year					
Course Number	Course Title	Credit Hours	General Education	W/O Course	Notes
LBST 2102	Global & Intercultural Connections (Or LBST 2101 Or LBST 22XX)	3	X		
XXXX XXXX	Natural Science with or without Lab (Fall)	3-4	X		
XXXX 2201	Foreign Language (Fall)	3-4			
INTL XXXX	INTL Concentration	3			
XXXX XXXX	MATH or STAT or PHIL 2105	3	X		
LBST 22XX	Ethical Issues & Cultural Critique (Or LBST 2101 Or LBST 2102)	3	X		
XXXX XXXX	Natural Science with or without Lab (Spring)	3-4	X		
XXXX 2202	Foreign Language (Spring)	3-4	X		
XXXX XXXX	Social Science	3	X		
INTL XXXX	INTL Concentration	3	X		

30-34 Credit Hours for Year

Junior Year					
Course Number	Course Title	Credit Hours	General Education	W/O Course	Notes
Study Abroad					Spring, Fall, or Year
INTL XXXX	INTL Concentration	3			
XXXX 3201	Foreign Language (Fall)	3-4			
XXXX 3202	Foreign Language (Spring)	3-4			
INTL XXXX	INTL Concentration	3			
INTL XXXX	INTL Elective	3			
XXXX XXXX	Writing Intensive Course outside of major	3	X	W	
XXXX XXXX	Related Work	3-9			
INTL XXXX	General Electives	3-9			

30-32 Credit Hours for Year

Senior Year					
Course Number	Course Title	Credit Hours	General Education	W/O Course	Notes
INTL 4601	Senior Seminar in International Studies	3	X	W,O	
INTL XXXX	INTL Elective	3			
INTL XXXX	INTL Elective	3			
XXXX XXXX	Related Work	3-9			
XXXX XXXX	General Electives (as needed to complete 120 hours)	12-18			

30 Credit Hours for Year

ADVISING RESOURCES

- General Education Requirements for ALL Students: ucol.uncc.edu/general-education
- Undergraduate Catalog: catalog.uncc.edu
- Central Advising website: advising.uncc.edu
- College of Liberal Arts & Sciences advising website: clas.uncc.edu/students/Advising-News/
- University Advising Center website: advisingcenter.uncc.edu