

INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

This major provides students with the skills to be effective workers and citizens in today's globalized world. Students will gain skill-based learning and experience that prepares students to pursue careers with international non-governmental agencies, international organizations, social service agencies, or to further study in graduate or law school. Students are expected to develop a functional usage of a second language. Capital currently offers courses in Spanish, French, German, and Russian. Through the Higher Education Council of Columbus, students can also take Russian, Mandarin, Korean, Japanese, Italian, Arabic, and more at other nearby colleges.

CAREERS AND PLACEMENT

Many of our students go on to law school or graduate school, including Notre Dame, University of Cape Town (South Africa), Schiller College (England), The Ohio State University, The American University of Cairo (Egypt), Capital University Law School, and others. Many of our recent graduates now hold jobs at organizations such as the American Red Cross, U.S. Department of Citizenship and Immigration Services, Mitsubishi International, Kyushu Lutheran College (Japan), Habitat for Humanity International Aid to Artisans, UNESCO, Women for Women International, CARE, the United States Army, and many more.

EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

Capital has affiliations with domestic and international organizations, providing students with many internship opportunities. Semester and year-long study abroad programs are also available. Students have studied in Argentina, Australia, Belgium, Brazil, England, Ghana, Greece, Mexico, Russia, Sweden, Thailand, and more. Faculty also lead students on short-term trips in various countries.

STUDY ABROAD

Study abroad for this program typically occurs during either fall or spring of the third year, or fall of the fourth year of study. There are a variety of courses available for the study abroad experience.

AS A GRADUATE, YOU WILL BE PREPARED TO:

- Engage critically with world cultures as a global thinker
- Be a more effective global citizen
- Measure the impact of globalization and the relationship between diversity and culture
- Determine relationships between cultural artifacts and the culture itself
- Examine historical and contemporary relationships between different countries and diverse cultures
- Better engage with your own personal interests in a more global context

WHAT ARE OUR GRADS DOING NOW?

- English Teacher (Japan)
- Peace Corps
- Director of International Education (Panamerican Agricultural University)
- Spanish Teacher (Columbus Public Schools)
- Pharmacy Tech (Jerusalem)
- Program Coordinator of Education Abroad Services (University of Texas San Antonio)
- Journalist, Photographer and Radio Host (West Virginia)
- International Student Advisor (Northern Kentucky University)
- Coordinator of Student Engagement and Communication (Franklin University)

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Four-Year Sample Schedule of an International Studies Major

First Year Fall

16 credit hours
Beginning Language I - 4
College Reading & Writing - 3
Quantitative Reasoning - 3
International Studies Prof.
Development Seminar I - 1
Electives - 5

Second Year Fall

16 credit hours
Intermediate Language I - 4
World Geography - 3
Cultural Pluralism - 3
Electives - 6

Second Year Fall

17 credit hours
Language Culture &
Communication I - 4
Focus Area I - 3
Focus Area II - 3
Natural Science - 4
International
Relations - 3

Second Year Fall

13 credit hours
French Civilization OR
Francophone Culture - 4
Ethical Issues - 3
Focus Area I (300 level) - 3
Electives - 6

First Year Spring

16 credit hours
Beginning Language II - 4
Oral Communication - 3
Quantitative Reasoning - 3
International Studies Prof.
Development Seminar II - 1
Macroeconomic Principles - 3
Electives - 5

Second Year Spring

16 credit hours
Intermediate Language II - 4
Religion - 3
Natural Science - 2
Electives - 6

Third Year Spring

16 credit hours
Focus Area I - 3
Focus Area II - 3
Comparative Politics - 3
Electives - 7

Fourth Year Spring

13 credit hours
Capstone Seminar in
International Studies - 3
Focus Area II (300 level) - 3
Electives - 9

All courses subject to availability and advisor approval. All undergraduates must demonstrate that Signature Learning goals have been met.

