

# INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

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## Career Possibilities

International Development Officer • Program Officer • Foreign Service Officer • Researcher • Teacher • Intelligence Analyst • Social Service Worker • Lawyer • Community Organizer • Journalist • Administrator (Some of these, and other careers, require additional education or experience. For more information, see [www.careers.csulb.edu](http://www.careers.csulb.edu) or an International Studies advisor.)

## Bachelor of Arts in International Studies (120 units)

The Bachelor of Arts in International Studies is an interdisciplinary degree program that combines the study of Development, Culture and Identity, Citizenship and Migration, Politics and Social Movements, and International Environmental and Natural Resource Issues with a geographic area concentration. Students receive direct exposure to an international environment by participating in a foreign study program or an internationally related internship in this country.

International Studies students are curious global citizens who want to make their mark on the world. The major program provides them the tools and guidance to focus their interests and accomplish their goals. It prepares CSULB graduates for good jobs in fields like non-profit work, international development, international affairs, international trade and business, education, and law.

International Studies uses an outcomes-oriented approach to higher education leading students to develop strong analytical and writing skills while teaching students how to integrate a wide variety of disciplinary methods, language competencies, and cross-cultural understandings into the study of global issues.

All International Studies majors are required to develop a program of study in consultation with the program advisor. Majors should choose their foreign language, foreign study or internship experience, and senior seminar research project to reflect this emphasis.

## Requirements

A minimum of 51 units in a program approved by the International Studies advisor.

## Requirements not included in major

Foreign Language: Three years of college level study or equivalent proficiency in a language appropriate to the program of study and geographic area concentration selected.

## Major Requirements

Lower Division (18 units):

Take all the following:

I/ST 200 Introduction to International Studies (3)  
Prerequisite: GE Foundation requirements.

ECON 100 Principles of Macroeconomics (3)  
Prerequisites: MATH 103 or higher and one GE Foundation course.

ECON 101 Principles of Microeconomics (3)  
Prerequisite/Corequisite: MATH 103 or higher.

Take an additional 9 units chosen from the following:  
ANTH 120; HIST 212; GEOG 100 or 160; POSC 215, 218 or 220

Upper Division - Minimum of 33 units including:

Core Courses - 9 units, chosen from:

I/ST 317 Problems in International Social Conflict (3)  
Prerequisites: GE Foundation requirements, one Exploration course, and upper division standing.

I/ST 319 International Development (3)  
Prerequisites: GE Foundation requirements, one Exploration course, upper-division standing.

I/ST 320 Migration and Modernity (3)  
Prerequisite: GE Foundation requirements.

I/ST 355 International Environmental Issues (3)  
Prerequisites: GE Foundation requirements, one Exploration course, and upper division standing.

I/ST 463 Nationalism and National Identities (3)  
Prerequisites: POSC 100 and GE Foundation requirements.

Professional Development Area - 9 units, chosen from one of the following five areas:

### *Development*

ANTH 307; ECON 372, 310, 311, 366, 464, 465, 470, 471; GEOG 360, 452, 468; HDEV 360, 403; IST 419, 350; IST/GEOG 319; POSC 461; WGSS 424.

### *Culture and Identity*

AFRS 337, 353, 460; AIS 315; ANTH 314, 413, 419, 427; ASAM 354, 407; A/ST 320, 336, 393, 406A, 406B, 495; CHIN 451, 471; CHLS 341, 342; COMM 330, 430, 437; CWL 346, 350, 404, 334, 403, 406, 440, 402, 330A/B, 438, 344; ENGL 459, 466, 359; FREN 456; GEOG 352; GERM 370, 380; HDEV 360, 403; HIST 460, 465, 451, 435, 346; I/ST 320, 350; JAPN 451, 452, 453, 471; RGR 450, 314, 315, 346; RUSS 310, 428; R/ST 308, 314, 315, 317, 331, 341, 344, 351, 352, 353, 383, 458, 460, 467; WGSS 406A, 406B, 410, 490.

### *Citizenship and Migration*

ANTH 444; CHLS 341, 342, 300, 335, 352; GEOG 360; HIST 412; I/ST 320; SOC 358.

*Politics, International Relations, and Social Movements*  
AFRS 430; ANTH 315; GEOG 470; HIST 451, 345; IST 350; IST/HIST 478; IST/SOC 317, 318; JOUR 312; PHIL 351; POSC 376, 371, 362, 353, 367, 450, 455, 481, 378; SOC 430, 449; WGSS 424, 401, 402, 425, 449

*International Environmental and Natural Resource Issues*

ECON 464; ENGR 302; GEOG 340, 440; HIST 464; IST/GEOG 355

Geographic Area Concentration

Take 9 units from one of the following areas:

*Latin America and the Caribbean*

AIS 315; ANTH 324, 432; CHLS 300, 352, 450, 430, 450A, 450B; CWL 350, 440; GEOG 306, 321, 322; HIST 451, 462, 435, 460, 465, 464, 362, 364, 365, 366, 462, 463, 466; I/ST 478; SPAN 450, 460, 445, 455

*Europe*

CHLS 450; CWL 406, 344, 330A/B, 438; ENGL 359, 459, 466; FREN 440, 456; GEOG 316; GERM 370 380; HIST 343, 347, 304, 435, 346, 332, 333, 334, 335, 337, 338, 339, 340, 348, 357, 437; PHIL 414; POSC 358, 481; RGR 314, 315, 346; RUSS 310, 428; SPAN 428, 446, 449, 430

*Russia and Central Asia*

GEOG 318; HIST 418, 416, 440, 341A, 341B; RUSS 310, 428

*Middle East and North Africa*

CWL 402; ENGL 359; GEOG 309; HIST 393, 394, 428, 431, 432, 435; POSC 367

*Sub-Saharan Africa*

AFRS 343A, 363, 304, 337, 353, 380, 430, 460; GEOG 308; HIST 391, 392, 491

*South Asia*

A/ST 306, 307; GEOG 314; HIST 385, 406B; PHIL 307

*East Asia*

ANTH 332, 335; A/ST 306, 307, 393, 495; CHIN 382B, 451; CWL 334, 403; ENGL 359; GEOG 313, 315; HIST 412, 407; 382A, 382B, 383A, 383B, 384, 386, 388, 406A, 406B; JAPN 451, 452; PHIL 306; POSC 362

*North America*

ANTH 432; CHLS 300, 352; CWL 350; GEOG 321, 306; HIST 451, 462, 435; I/ST 478

*Oceania*

NB: Due to lack of available courses, this concentration can only be chosen if the student is completing a relevant study abroad.

Internship or Foreign Study:

I/ST 492 International Studies Internship/Foreign Study (3) (internship with significant international content or foreign study program related to course of study selected, as approved by major advisor)

Prerequisites: Consent of I/ST advisor; completion of a minimum of 15 upper division units required for the major in International Studies.

Senior Research Seminar:

I/ST 490 Senior Research Sem in International Studies (3)  
Prerequisites: Senior standing or consent of the International Studies advisor and instructor.

## Minor in International Studies

This minor consists of a minimum of 24 units at least 15 which must be upper division courses, together with at least three years of college level of study (or equivalent proficiency) in a language (other than English) relevant to the student's program of study in International Studies.

### Requirements

Lower Division (9 units):

Take the following course:

I/ST 200 Introduction to International Studies (3)  
Prerequisite: GE Foundation requirements.

Take one of the following:

ECON 100 Principles of Macroeconomics (3)  
Prerequisites: MATH 103 or higher and one GE Foundation course.

ECON 101 Principles of Microeconomics (3)  
Prerequisite/Corequisite: MATH 103 or higher.

Take three units selected from the following:

ANTH 120, HIST 212, GEOG 100 or 160; POSC 215, 218, or 220.

Upper Division (15 units):

9 units selected from the courses grouped in the International Studies Core as this group is defined for the Bachelor of Arts degree in International Studies.

6 units selected from one of the Geographic Area Concentration as defined for the Bachelor of Arts degree in International Studies.

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## International Studies Courses (I/ST)

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General Education Foundation must be completed prior to taking any upper division course except upper division language courses where students meet formal prerequisites and/or competency equivalent for advanced study.

### LOWER DIVISION

#### 100. Global Citizenship (3)

Prerequisite/Corequisite: one GE A1 course

An introduction to International Studies for majors and non-majors. Develops the ability to distinguish fact from judgment; to analyze, criticize and advocate ideas; to reach well-supported conclusions about global/local trends and impacts.

Letter grade only (A-F).

#### 200. Introduction to International Studies (3)

Prerequisite: GE Foundation requirements.

Analyses of "the international." Theoretical, political, social and cultural perspectives on contemporary globalization, modern European colonialism, and the historical and contemporary relationship of the United States to global relations and processes.

### UPPER DIVISION

#### 317. Problems in International Social Conflict (3)

Prerequisites: GE Foundation requirements, one Exploration course, and upper division standing.

Interdisciplinary analysis of social conflict in the world. Topics may include ethnocentrism; nationalism; globalization; trade; aid; economic development; poverty; inequality; the environment; war; ideological, ethnic, gender, and religious conflict; democratization; social movements; new forms of civil society and social solidarity.

Letter grade only (A-F). Same course as SOC 317. Not open for credit to students with credit in SOC 317.

### **318. Cases in International Social Conflict (3)**

Prerequisites: GE Foundation requirements, one Exploration course, and upper division standing.

Interdisciplinary analysis of social conflict in the world. Case studies will focus on globalization; technology; economic development; trade and aid; population growth; immigration; ideological, religious, ethnic and gender conflicts; war and civil unrest; human rights; democratization; global citizenship; environmental sustainability.

Letter grade only (A-F). Same course as SOC 318. Not open for credit to students with credit in SOC 318.

### **319. International Development (3)**

Prerequisites: GE Foundation requirements, one Exploration course, upper-division standing.

Theoretical and practical analysis of social, political, and economic development and alternative developmental models. Contemporary and historical comparisons of how "developed" and "developing" areas of the world have confronted various economic, social, and political challenges.

Same course as GEOG 319. Not open for credit to students with credit in GEOG 319.

### **320. Migration and Modernity (3)**

Prerequisite: GE Foundation requirements.

Examines global migration from 1700s-present, putting U.S. immigration history in context and emphasizing recent and contemporary trends. Uses history, politics, and culture (literature, photography and film) to consider migration's intersections with race, ethnicity, and nationalism.

Letter grade only (A-F).

### **333. Ethics of Globalization (3)**

Prerequisite: GE Foundation requirements.

Senior level requirement for IST majors. Open to non-majors. Reviews ethical debates in globalization: inequality; poverty, wealth; war, peace, torture; social justice movements; persecution, displacement; privatization, food, water; land rights.

Letter grade only (A-F)

### **350. Water: People, Politics, and Processes (3)**

Prerequisites: GE Foundation requirements.

Explores the impact of water resources management on society, economy, and governance through socio-political and hydrological overviews as well as both domestic and international case studies.

Letter grade only (A-F). Same course as ENGR 350. Not open for credit to students with credit in ENGR 350. (Lecture-Problems 3 hours.)

### **355. International Environmental Issues (3)**

Prerequisites: GE Foundation requirements, one Exploration course, and upper division standing.

Examines the deterioration, destruction, maintenance and restoration of environmental systems and resources. Identifies and analyzes major environmental problems that have international dimensions. Investigates ongoing and potential efforts to resolve them.

Same course as GEOG 355. Not open for credit to students with credit in GEOG 355.

### **419. Applied International Development (3)**

Prerequisite: I/ST 319 recommended.

Provides applied skills for practice of international development at local, national, regional and global levels. Development policy, applied tools and methodologies to pursue careers with United Nations system, development-oriented state agencies, non-profit organizations, bilateral and multi-lateral agencies, and private foundations.

Letter grade only (A-F).

### **449. Feminism and International Human Rights (3)**

Prerequisite: Upper division status or consent of the instructor

Analyzes contemporary women's international human rights issues and social movements as influences on contemporary international human rights system. Covers international law, human rights treaty system, World Conferences, current issues, landmark cases, local/global activism, feminist intellectual debates.

Letter grade (A-F).

### **463. Nationalism and National Identities (3)**

Prerequisites: POSC 100 and GE Foundation requirements.

Consideration of the impact of nationalism on contemporary world politics with special attention to the role of national identities in the rise of political violence, national liberation movements, and the struggle for democracy. Close investigation of multiple historical and contemporary cases.

Same course as POSC 463. Not open for credit to students with credit in POSC 463.

### **478. Foreign Relations of the U.S. (3)**

Incorporates a global perspective and considers the influence of such issues as domestic politics, bureaucratic rivalry and decision-making, economics, ideology, race, and the role of special interest groups on the making of foreign policy.

Same course as HIST 478. Not open for credit to students with credit in HIST 478.

### **490. Senior Research Seminar in International Studies (3)**

Prerequisites: Senior standing or consent of the International Studies advisor and instructor.

Capstone research seminar for I/ST majors. Classroom preparation for directed research on a topic of choice integrating international economics and politics, cross-cultural communication, development studies, contemporary belief systems, language skills, and a geographic area.

Letter grade only (A-F).

### **492. International Studies Internship/Foreign Study (3)**

Prerequisites: Consent of I/ST advisor; completion of a minimum of 15 upper division units required for the major in International Studies.

A study abroad program or an internship with internationally-oriented, governmental, non-governmental, and for-profit organizations required of I/ST majors. Internship conducted under joint supervision of program sponsor and CSULB faculty. Final report required for internships.

Credit/No Credit grading only.

### **493. Selected Topics in International Studies (1-6)**

Prerequisite: Consent of instructor.

Analysis of contemporary issues and problems in International Studies.

Topics announced in the *Schedule of Classes*.

### **499. Directed Studies (1-3)**

Prerequisite: Consent of instructor.

Individually directed studies of special problems in International Studies.

May be repeated to a maximum of 6 units with consent of program director. May not be credited toward the major in I/ST without written department consent in advance of enrollment. (Supervised) Letter grade only (A-F).