

School of Humanities and Global Studies

International Studies

Recommended Four-Year Plan (Fall 2023)

The recommended four-year plan is designed to provide a blueprint for students to complete their degrees within four years. Students must meet with their Major Advisor to develop a more individualized plan to complete their degree. This plan assumes that no developmental courses are required.

NOTE: This recommended Four-Year Plan is applicable to students admitted into the major during the 2023-2024 academic year.

First Year					
Fall Semester	HRS	✓	Spring Semester	HRS	✓
Gen Ed: INTD 101 First Year Seminar	4		INTL Major: INTL 127 Introduction to International Studies	4	
Gen Ed: CWRT 102 - Critical Reading & Writing II	4		Gen Ed: AIID 201 Studies in Arts and Humanities	4	
Gen Ed: Scientific Reasoning	4		Gen Ed: SOSOC 110 Social Science Inquiry	4	
Gen Ed: Historical Perspectives	4		Gen Ed: Quantitative Reasoning	4	
Career Pathways: PATH HG1 – Career Pathways Module 1	Degree Rqmt.				
Total:	16		Total:	16	

Second Year					
Fall Semester	HRS	✓	Spring Semester	HRS	✓
School Core: Language I* (some languages may fulfill Gen Ed: Global Awareness)	4		(Choose 1 Distribution Category) Gen Ed: Culture and Creativity; or Gen Ed: Systems, Sustainability, and Society or Gen Ed: Values and Ethics**	4	
Elective or Gen Ed Global Awareness (if not met by School Core Language requirement)	4		School Core: Language II*	4	
INTL Major: ANTH 102 Introduction to Anthropology	4		INTL Major: POLI 205 or POLI 235	4	
Elective	4		INTL Major: Global Issues course	4	
Career Pathways: PATH HG2 – Career Pathways Module 2	Degree Rqmt.		Career Pathways: PATH HG3 – Career Pathways Module 3	Degree Rqmt.	
Total:	16		Total:	16	

Third Year					
Fall Semester	HRS	✓	Spring Semester	HRS	✓
Major: Global Issues course	4		Study Abroad Elective***/Major: Area Studies course	4	
Major: Global Issues course	4		Study Abroad Elective/Major: Area Studies course	4	
Major: Global Issues course	4		Study Abroad Elective/Major: Area Studies course	4	
School Core: Language III*	4		Study Abroad Elective/Elective	4	
Total:	16		Total:	16	

Fourth Year					
Fall Semester	HRS	✓	Spring Semester	HRS	✓
Major: INTL 450 Global Issues Seminar (senior capstone)	4		Elective	4	
(Choose 1 Distribution Category) Gen Ed: Culture and Creativity; or Gen Ed: Systems, Sustainability, and Society or Gen Ed: Values and Ethics** (Must be outside of HGS)	4		Elective	4	
Major: Area Studies course	4		Elective	4	
Elective	4		Elective	4	
Total:	16		Total:	16	

Total Credits Required: 128 credits **GPA:** 2.0

Note: 5 writing intensive courses are required for graduation: Critical Reading and Writing, and Studies in Arts and Humanities; the other three course are taken in the major. POLI 205, POLI 235, and INTL 450 are all Writing Intensive. If you do not take both POLI 205 and POLI 235, make sure that one of your Global Issues or Area Studies courses is Writing Intensive.

* The HGS school core requires that each student have proficiency in a language through the Intermediate I level. If you are starting from Foundations I, that means three language course (Foundations I, Foundations II, Intermediate I). You can take a placement test to determine whether you can start at a higher level or prove proficiency without taking any courses. Any language course at the Intermediate level or higher can count as one of your Area Studies courses in the International Studies major. If General Ed Global Awareness is not fulfilled by a language course, INTL 127 and ANTH 102 in the International Studies major also fulfill this requirement.

**All students must choose two out of three distribution categories within General Education, and then take one course from each of the two selected categories. Some International Studies courses can double count with this part of General Education, specifically:

Culture and Creativity: ANTH 220 Food & Culture, ANTH 235 Religion: Cross Cultural Perspectives, ANTH 314

Crossing Borders: Growing Up Latinx, HIST 289 Islamic Art and Architecture

Values and Ethics: ANTH 238 Urban Anthropology, INTL 250 Contemporary International Human Rights, POLI 233

East Asia: History and Politics

***All International Studies majors are required to either study abroad for at least 4 weeks, or complete an extensive internship or co-op with an international focus. See convener for details.

◇Some Global Issues and Area Studies courses also double-count with General Education. However, you can only double count two classes between General Education and your school core and major.