

INTERNATIONAL STUDIES, BA

Those enrolled in this major may have a variety of interests including public service careers that deal with international affairs, the legal profession—especially international law—teaching in high schools and universities, the military, FBI, CIA, graduate school, and political advocacy. Beyond the college requirements, coursework for this major typically includes anthropology, economics, finance, geography, history, international business administration, languages, political science, and religious studies.

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Admission into the Major

Students are expected to formally declare a major no later than the fourth semester of full-time enrollment (or at 61 semester hours for transfer students). Students can declare a major by completing the Change of Major/Minor Application online under the Student tab of myBama. Students are also expected to be advised by the Program Director or a designee every semester.

Special Opportunities

While not required, students are encouraged to study abroad while working towards the International Studies degree. For more information, contact the Capstone International Center.

Students earning the Bachelor of Arts (BA) degree with a major in International Studies must complete all University, college and departmental degree requirements. These include the General Education requirements, the following major requirements, all requirements for an approved minor and other sufficient credits to total a minimum of 120 applicable semester hours.

Please note, students may not count courses in both the major and the minor or across majors. If a required course is applying to another major or minor, it must have an appropriate substitution (see below) approved by the Program Director.

Code and Title	Hours
Major Courses	
ANT 102 Intro to Cultural Anthropology	3
EC 111 or EC 113 Principles of Macroeconomics Honors Prin of Macroeconomics	3
GY 105 World Regional Geography	3
HY 102 or HY 106 Western Civ Since 1648 Honors West Civ Sc 1648	3
PSC 204 International Relations	3
Credit Hours Subtotal:	15
Field Requirement	
Select six hours among the fields at 300 or 400 level	6
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Credit Hours Subtotal:	12
Focused Areas of Study	
Select three hours at the 300 or 400 level	3
Select six hours among the concentration areas	6
Credit Hours Subtotal:	9
Total Hours	36

Fields

Students must earn a minimum of 12 hours chosen from one of the following fields. Without exception, a maximum of 6 hours can be applied from a single department. A minimum of 12 hours of 300- and 400-level courses in the major (Field and Focused Area of Study) must be earned in residence (Note: UA Faculty-led study abroad courses are also considered in residence.). With **prior** approval of the Program Director, courses such as Special Topics, Honors, study abroad, internships, independent study may be considered as substitutions for those listed. However, courses that focus primarily on art, film, folklore, language instruction, literature, music, or philosophy cannot be used as substitutes. Consult the Program Director before registering for substitutions approval. Be sure to get **prior** approval from the Program Director if you wish degree credit for internships, independent study, and study abroad courses. Internship credit is not given retroactively. Note that Special Topics course content varies, and students must seek approval from the Program Director in order to count Special Topics courses toward the major or minor.

Field 1: International Relations

Code and Title	Hours
ANT 205 Intro to Medical Anthropology	3
ANT 208 Anthropology of Sex	3
ANT 210 Language and Culture	3
ANT 225 Introduction to Global Health	3
ANT 275 Race, Ethnicity, & Human Var.	3
ANT 402 Health Inequities	3
ANT 405 Culture, Mind, and Behavior	3
ANT 411 Culture, Health, and Healing	3
ANT 421 Ethnography	3
ANT 440 Culture	3
CIP 200 Global & Cultural Perspectives	3
CIP 202 Global&Cultural Persp: ExpLrng	3
CJ 422 Terrorism	3
GY 377 Cultural Geography	3
GY 453 Environment & Society	3
GY 459 Water Energy and Food	3
GY 462 Land Use Science	4
HY 117 World History to 1500	3
HY 118 World History Since 1500	3
HY 317 America at War 1916-2016	3
HY 325 Us-World Power to 1898	3
HY 328 United States of War	3
HY 341 Hy US - Vietnam War	3
HY 356 Holocaust: History, Memory	3
HY 357 World War I	3
HY 358 World War II	3
HY 368 Caribbean History Since 1492	3
HY 370 A history of the Atlantic World, 1400-1800	3
HY 388 The Crusades	3
HY 481 War/Dipl. in Med & Mod. Europe	3
HY 482 War & Religion in the West	3
HY 483 Thirty Years' War	3

PSC 203	Comparative Politics	3	HY 341	Hy US - Vietnam War	3
PSC 330	Democratization	3	HY 357	World War I	3
PSC 331	Politics of Developing Nations	3	HY 358	World War II	3
PSC 337	Politics of the Middle East	3	HY 388	The Crusades	3
PSC 340	Civil Wars	3	HY 481	War/Dipl. in Med & Mod. Europe	3
PSC 343	Authoritarianism	3	HY 482	War & Religion in the West	3
PSC 344	The Israel-Palestine Conflict	3	HY 483	Thirty Years' War	3
PSC 345	Issues in Global Governance	3	PSC 340	Civil Wars	3
PSC 413	Amer Foreign Policy	3	PSC 344	The Israel-Palestine Conflict	3
PSC 414	Foreign Policy Decisionmaking	3	PSC 345	Issues in Global Governance	3
PSC 434	Internatl Polit Econom	3	PSC 414	Foreign Policy Decisionmaking	3
PSC 435	War And Peace	3	PSC 435	War And Peace	3
PSC 441	Terrorism and Political Islam	3	PSC 441	Terrorism and Political Islam	3
PSC 442	Internatl Conflict	3	PSC 442	Internatl Conflict	3
PSC 443	Comparative Pub Policy	3	PSC 445	Humanitarianism	3
PSC 444	International Organizations	3	PSC 446	Political Economy of Security	3
PSC 445	Humanitarianism	3	REL 371	Adv St Religion and Conflict	3
PSC 446	Political Economy of Security	3	REL 410	Religion and Genocide	3
PSC 449	IR of the Middle East	3			
REL 102	Religions of World	3			
REL 106	Intro to Ancient Religions	3			
REL 209	Buddhism	3			
REL 223	Holocaust Historical Perspecti	3			
REL 224	Judaism	3			
REL 226	African Diaspora Religions	3			
REL 236	Islam	3			
REL 238	Philosophies Of Judaism	3			
REL 336	Islam and the West	3			
REL 371	Adv St Religion and Conflict	3			
REL 410	Religion and Genocide	3			
REL 436	Making Islam	3			
REL 440	Theories of Religion	3			
SW 419	International Social Work	3			

Field 2: International Business

Code and Title	Hours	
EC 430	International Trade	3
FI 431	International Finance	3
IBA 250	Context of Global Business	3
IBA 350	Introduction to World Business	3
IBA 351	Multinat'l Bus. Communication	3
IBA 352	Honors Intro to World Business	3
IBA 455	Global Marketing	3
IBA 460	Export/Import Management	3
MKT 300	Marketing	3
PSC 434	Internatl Polit Econom	3

Field 3: Peace and Conflict Studies

Code and Title	Hours	
CJ 422	Terrorism	3
HY 317	America at War 1916-2016	3
HY 325	Us-World Power to 1898	3
HY 328	United States of War	3

Focused Areas of Study

Students must earn a minimum of 9 hours chosen from one of the following Focused Areas of Study. Without exception, a maximum of 6 hours can be applied from a single department. A minimum of 3 hours must be at the 300- or 400-level and in residence. A minimum of 12 hours of 300- and 400-level courses in the major (Field and/or Focused Area) must be earned in residence. (Note: UA faculty-led study abroad courses are also considered in residence.) With prior approval of the Program Director, courses such as special topics, honors, study abroad, internships, independent study, or others may be considered as substitutions for those listed. Internship credit is not given retroactively. However, courses that focus primarily on art, film, folklore, language instruction, literature, music, or philosophy cannot be used as substitutions. Consult the Program Director on substitutions prior to registering. Note that Special Topics course content varies, and students must seek approval from the Program Director in order to count Special Topics courses toward the major or minor.

Focused Area of Study 1: Asia

Code and Title	Hours	
ANT 217	Peoples of Asia	3
ANT 415	Contemporary China	3
CHI 270	Intro to Chinese Culture	3
HY 113	Asian Civilization to 1400	3
HY 114	Modern Asia since 1400	3
HY 338	Contemporary China 1921-2000	3
HY 341	Hy US - Vietnam War	3
HY 393	British Emp & Commonwealth	3
HY 404	Modern China since 1600	3
REL 209	Buddhism	3
REL 220	Survey Of Asian Religion	3
REL 236	Islam	3
REL 321	Rel & Ident in South Asia	3
Language minor: Chinese or Japanese		

Focused Area of Study 2: Latin America

Code and Title	Hours
ANT 261 South American Archaeology	3
ANT 303 Maya Language and Culture	3
ANT 319 Ancient New World Civilization	3
ANT 409 Ancient Maya Civilization	3
ANT 413 Peoples of Latin Amer	3
ANT 462 Ancient Andean Civilizations	3
GY 345 Geography of Latin America	3
HY 111 Colonial Latin America	3
HY 112 Modern Latin Am Since 1808	3
HY 368 Caribbean History Since 1492	3
HY 370 A history of the Atlantic World, 1400-1800	3
HY 373 Enviro History of Americas	3
HY 377 Mexico since 1810	3
HY 378 Drugs, Booze, and Mexican Society	3
HY 379 History of Modern Argentina	3
HY 473 Indians, Nuns, & Rogues	3
HY 474 Relation US Latin Amer	3
HY 477 Imperial Spain's "Golden Age"	3
HY 478 Spanish Conquest of Americas	3
LAS 401 LACLS Seminar	3
PSC 332 Politics of Latin America	3
PSC 338 Mexican Politics	3

Language minor: Spanish

Focused Area of Study 3: Middle East and Africa

Code and Title	Hours
ARB 350 Culture in Africa/Middle East	3
ANT 414 Anthropology of Africa	3
GY 344 Geography Of Africa	3
HY 384 Ancient Egypt Near East	3
HY 388 The Crusades	3
PSC 336 African Politics	3
PSC 337 Politics of the Middle East	3
PSC 344 The Israel-Palestine Conflict	3
PSC 441 Terrorism and Political Islam	3
PSC 449 IR of the Middle East	3
REL 224 Judaism	3
REL 226 African Diaspora Religions	3
REL 236 Islam	3
REL 336 Islam and the West	3
REL 436 Making Islam	3

Language minor: Arabic or French

Focused Area of Study 4: Russia and Eastern Europe

Code and Title	Hours
HY 356 Holocaust: History, Memory	3
HY 357 World War I	3
HY 358 World War II	3
HY 361 Russia to 1894	3
HY 362 Russia-Soviet Union since 1894	3
HY 457 The Russian Revolution	3

REL 223 Holocaust Historical Perspecti	3
RUS 325 Dostoevsky	3
RUS 326 Tolstoy	3
RUS 401 Directed Readings	1 to 3
RUS 402 Directed Readings	1 to 3
RUS 426 Readings in Russian History	3

Language minor: Russian.

Focused Area of Study 5: Western Europe

Code and Title	Hours
ANT 412 Anthropology of Europe	3
CL 333 Greek Civilization	3-6
CL 350 Roman Religion	3
CL 385 History Of Greece	3
CL 386 History Of Rome	3
FR 331 French Civilization	3
GN 371 Gn Cult Civil Thru 1832	3
GN 372 Germn Cult Civ 1832-Present	3
GY 346 Geography of Europe	3
HY 305 Topics in European History	3
HY 349 History of France 1760-present	3
HY 355 German History Sc 1740	3
HY 356 Holocaust: History, Memory	3
HY 357 World War I	3
HY 358 World War II	3
HY 365 European Consumer Society	3
HY 366 Modern Britain, 1700-2015	3
HY 367 Honors Mod Britain, 1700-2015	3
HY 382 Early Modern Britain	3
HY 383 Honors Early Modern Britain	3
HY 385 History Of Greece	3
HY 386 History Of Rome	3
HY 388 The Crusades	3
HY 391 Medieval Britain	3
HY 392 Honors Medieval Britain	3
HY 393 British Emp & Commonwealth	3
HY 442 The Middle Ages	3
HY 444 Reform & Counter-Reformation	3
HY 446 Age of Reason 1715-89	3
HY 448 Women in Europe since 1750	3
HY 462 French Legal History	3
HY 481 War/Dipl. in Med & Mod. Europe	3
HY 482 War & Religion in the West	3
HY 483 Thirty Years' War	3
HY 490 England under Tudors	3
HY 491 England under Stuarts	3
HY 494 Britain in the Victorian Age	3
HY 495 Honors Britain Victorian Age	3
PSC 334 Government Politics West Europ	3
REL 223 Holocaust Historical Perspecti	3

Language minor: French, German, Italian, or Spanish

Focused Area of Study 6: Methods (this option is only available for students choosing the Peace and Conflict Studies Field)

Code and Title	Hours
EC 471 Econometrics	3
PSC 202 Political Science Methods	3
ST 260 Statistical Data Analysis	3
ST 450 Stat Methods in Research I	3
ST 451 Stat Methods in Research II	3
Language minor: Any foreign language minor	

Grade Point Average

A 2.0 grade point average in the major is required for completion of the degree. Please see the Grades and Grade Points section of this catalog for an explanation on grade point average calculations.

Upper-level Residency

A minimum of 12 hours of 300- and 400-level courses in the major (Field and Focused Area of Study) must be earned on this campus. A minimum of 6 hours of 300- and 400-level courses in the minor must also be earned on this campus.

Ancillary Courses

This major does not require ancillary courses. However, courses in the Field and Focused area of Study requirements may have prerequisites.

Required Minor

Students must minor in a foreign language that is spoken in a region of the world the student has selected for the Focused Area of Study requirement. A minor in any language will meet this requirement for students who have selected the Peace and Conflict Studies Field. Students who are demonstrably fluent to the level expected of a language minor (as evidenced by the positive assessment of a MLC faculty member fluent in the language) may opt out of the language minor if their second language is widely spoken in the selected Focused Area of Study. Students who opt out of the language minor will replace it with a minor relevant to the selected Focused Area of Study.

Additional Major Requirements

Students are responsible for ensuring that they have met all University, College, major and minor requirements. However, each student must meet with an adviser **in the major department** for academic planning and to be approved for registration **each semester**. It is very strongly recommended students also be regularly advised **in their minor department**. College advisers are also available for additional assistance with minor, College and University requirements.

This degree can lead to opportunities with investigative, intelligence, and diplomatic agencies. Some graduates go on to law or graduate school or international business.

Types of Jobs Accepted: Graduate school, military, business