CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

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In Texas and throughout the United States, demand for graduates with knowledge of international business, cultural and area studies, and language skills continues to increase. The growing movement toward intercontinental and international trade blocs, such as NAFTA and the European Union, has created a need for persons who are not only skilled in business and communications technology, but also cultural understanding and international business practices. The Bachelor of Arts in International Studies (B.A.I.S.) degree offered by the Center addresses this need and prepares students for work in multinational corporations, state and federal governmental agencies with international divisions, and nonprofit corporations.

In addition to its academic programs, the Center gives its students several opportunities to develop global awareness and intercultural sensitivity during their undergraduate years, including internships and study abroad.

Academic Advising

Both pre-majors and declared majors will receive advising assistance from the College of Liberal Arts Academic Advising Center. The Center for International Studies employs a full time academic program coordinator who provides information on graduate study, internships, and planning for study abroad. The Center works closely with the Office of Career Services to prepare students for internationally-focused careers in various fields, and with the College of Liberal Arts Academic Advising Center to ensure our students’ timely graduation.

Graduation Requirements

For graduation, all majors are required to maintain a TXST GPA of 2.75, a major GPA of 3.00, complete the Texas State general education core curriculum (including the additional special requirements for the Bachelor of Arts), the International Studies Core, and the International Studies major courses. Additionally, all undergraduate students pursuing the B.A.I.S. degree are required to complete a global academic experience. The requirement can be fulfilled by a study abroad course or the IS 4387, International Studies Internship, if it entails international work, service, or group research. The Center’s director and academic program coordinator will work closely with IS majors to find the best options for faculty-led or independent international study. International Studies majors are not required to complete a minor. Students must meet all course prerequisites. Please see the College of Liberal Arts, and Degrees and Programs sections of this catalog for specific information on the general education core curriculum, and special requirements for the Bachelor of Arts.

International Studies majors are required to complete the special requirements in science, modern language, and English for the Bachelor of Arts listed under the Degrees and Programs section of this catalog. For International Studies majors, the list of approved additional science courses under that section is expanded to include statistics. Approved statistics courses are:

- QMST 2333 Business Statistics 3
- SOCI 3307 Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences 3
- GEO 3301 Research Methods in Geography 3
- POSI 3377 Analytical Techniques 3
- CJ 3347 Statistics For Criminal Justice 3
- HP 3302 Biostatistics 3
- MATH 2358 Discrete Mathematics I 3
- MATH 3305 Introduction to Probability and Statistics 3

International Studies Core

All majors in International Studies are required to complete 27 hours of core courses:

- ECO 2314 Principles of Microeconomics 3
- ECO 2315 Principles of Macroeconomics 3
- GEO 1310 World Geography 3
- GEO 3303 Economic Geography 3
- HIST 2310 Western Civilization to 1715 3
  or HIST 2311 History of World Civilization to the 17th Century 3
- HIST 2312 Western Civilization from the 17th Century to Date 3
  or HIST 2320 History of World Civilization from the 17th Century to Date 3
- IS 4380 International Studies Seminar 3
- POSI 3322 Introduction to International Studies 3
- Modern Language of one advanced (3000- or 4000-level) course worth 3 hours in the same language that was completed for the additional BA requirements
- MODL 2310 Intermediate Modern Languages I
- MODL 2320 Intermediate Modern Languages II

Total Hours 27

Admissions Requirements

1. All degree programs in the Center for International Studies are required to have at least a sophomore standing.
2. Students must have successfully completed ENG 1310, ENG 1320, HIST 1310, HIST 1320, POSI 2310 and POSI 2320, or approved equivalents.
3. Students must have a minimum 2.75 Texas State GPA to officially declare the major.
4. Eligible students should schedule an advising appointment with the Liberal Arts Advising Center to declare the major in International Studies.

Bachelor of Arts in International Studies (B.A.I.S.)

- Major in International Relations (http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/undergraduate/liberal-arts/international-studies/relations-bais)
- Major in International Studies (Asian Studies Focus) (http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/undergraduate/liberal-arts/international-studies/asian-focus-bais)
- Major in International Studies (European Studies Focus) (http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/undergraduate/liberal-arts/international-studies/european-focus-bais)
- Major in International Studies (Interamerican Studies Focus) (http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/undergraduate/liberal-arts/international-studies/interamerican-focus-bais)
• Major in International Studies (International Business Focus) (http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/undergraduate/liberal-arts/international-studies/business-focus-bais)
• Major in International Studies (Middle East/African Studies Focus) (http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/undergraduate/liberal-arts/international-studies/middle-east-african-focus-bais)
• Major in International Studies (Russian/East European Studies Focus) (http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/undergraduate/liberal-arts/international-studies/russian-east-european-focus-bais)
• Major in International Studies (Travel and Tourism Focus) (http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/undergraduate/liberal-arts/international-studies/travel-tourism-focus-bais)

Minor

• International Studies (http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/undergraduate/liberal-arts/international-studies/minor)

Courses in International Studies (IS)

A senior-level seminar that explores international topics through reading, writing, research and group discussion. Students will be expected to produce a significant research paper. This course is required for all International Studies majors and should be taken in the senior year of undergraduate study. (MULT)
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Exclude from 3-peat Processing|Multicultural Content|Writing Intensive
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

IS 4387. International Studies Internship.
A semester-long work and study experience in a local, national, or foreign setting. Internships must be approved by the director of the Center for International Studies. May be repeated for credit
3 Credit Hours. 0 Lecture Contact Hours. 10 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Exclude from 3-peat Processing
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

IS 4687. International Studies Internship.
A semester long work and study experience in a local, national, or foreign setting. Internships must be approved by the director of the Center for International Studies. Open to International Studies majors and minors with 60 or more undergraduate hours and a minimum Texas State GPA of 3.00. Repeatable once for credit
6 Credit Hours. 0 Lecture Contact Hours. 10 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Exclude from 3-peat Processing
Grade Mode: Standard Letter