

GLOBAL AND INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

Problems of security, development, ethnic conflict, human rights, health, and the environment are increasingly confronted at a global rather than a national level. Political events, economic, and military events throughout the world impact our lives with the rapidness of our high speed modern communication. As the global exchange of awareness increases there is an equally increasing demand for International Studies graduates. This program offers a diverse and interdisciplinary curriculum allowing students to choose one of the following areas of emphasis: African Studies, Asian Studies, Business and Economics, Communication/Literature/Arts, European/Western World, Global Environment, International Politics and Diplomacy, and Latin American/American Studies. Students graduating with a Global and International Studies Associate in Arts degree are seeing an increasing demand. Universities have been increasing their offerings of International Studies majors to meet the growing demand for students that are educated with a global perspective. This major prepares students for transferring to International Studies programs at four-year colleges and universities. Since a great portion of high tech, pharmaceutical and other U.S. products are exported, a double major with one in Global Studies substantially increases employment opportunities. For those students not choosing to major in International Studies this program offers a strong foundation in basic global knowledge which today is a prerequisite for conducting business in most successful enterprises, and helps those students prepare for related occupational and vocational opportunities which are rapidly growing in this area.

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