



INTERNATIONAL STUDIES MAJOR

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The Churchill Institute for Global Engagement at Westminster College offers a major in International Studies with concentrations in "European Studies", "Latin American Studies", and "Asian or "Middle Eastern Studies. Students majoring in International Studies will develop knowledge of the contemporary world through a broadly integrated program through in-depth study of one region of the world. Students in all concentration will acquire skills in a language relevant to their program. It is strongly recommended that students majoring in International Studies spend at least one semester in an approved off-campus program. Because of its interdisciplinary nature, the International Studies major requires careful planning. Students considering a major in International Studies should consult with the program coordinator early in their college careers.

*International Students who use the ESL/non-native English speaker option to complete the major may use an upper-level English or Speech course as one of the optional courses in the concentrations.

All majors must maintain an overall 2.0 average or better in all courses presented to satisfy the major requirements. Students with a GPA of 3.30 or higher may elect to write a senior thesis for honors recognition. "Graduated with Honors" will be noted on their transcript provided they complete the thesis with a grade of B or better. Students writing a thesis will complete INT 402 Senior Thesis I during their junior or senior years. With the agreement of the thesis director and INT program chair, thesis students may take INT 403 Senior Thesis II (a second semester of research and writing on the thesis) as well. All INT majors must take INT 401 (the International Studies Jr.-Sr. seminar/capstone course in their junior or senior year).

Students who do not elect to write a senior thesis are required to present a portfolio of their work, containing at least three papers or comparable projects submitted for courses in the major. At least two of the papers or projects must be from upper-level courses (including one of the two from the INT 401 course). The portfolio will not be graded but it is a requirement for graduation.

For Regional Studies Concentrations:

Students may substitute experimental courses numbered 200 or 300 for the electives listed above with permission of the major program coordinator.

Note: IF there are courses listed as part of the International Studies major that have been dropped by the department in which they have been taught they need to be deleted from this list as well.

If any substitutions of waivers of requirements are allowed, please list below and initial.

Course #	Title of Course	Hours Completed	Semester Completed	Grade

**International
MAJOR: Studies**

Student's Last Name	First Name	Middle Initial		
Advisor		Date Major Declared		
Course #	Title of Course	Hours Required	Semester Completed	Grade
Required CORE Courses (12-18 hrs):				
INT 201	Introduction to International Studies 3	3		
POL 212	Introduction to International Politics 3	3		
ECN 211	Principles of Macroeconomics 3	3		
INT 401	Jr-Sr Seminar in International Studies 3	3		
INT 402	Senior Honors Thesis in International Studies (Optional depending on GPA)	3		
INT 403	Senior Thesis II (Optional second semester thesis writing per recommendation from thesis director and program chair)	3		
For non-native English speaking students: Foreign Language or ESL/English Proficiency beyond native language requirements (12-16 hrs.)				
In addition to the courses required for the major, students are encouraged to enroll in two or more courses from the following as they complete Tier II of the New Foundations general education program.				
ANT 115	Introduction to Cultural Anthropology 3	3		
HIS 106	Western Civilization II 3	3		
HIS 109	World History I 3	3		
HIS 110	World History II 3	3		
REL 102	World Religions 3	3		
SOC 111	Introduction to Sociology 3	3		
Foreign Language: (Chinese*, French, German*, Spanish) (16 hrs)				
Students will begin their language study at the level indicated by the results of their placement test or in subsequent consultation with a member of the language department. International Studies majors must take a minimum of two 300-level language courses in which the language studied is the primary language of instruction.				
FLG 102	Elementary Language II 4	4		
FLG 203, 204	Intermediate Language I and II 6	6		
Two 300-Level language, literature or civilization courses				
	1)	3		
	2)	3		
* Students planning to complete this requirement in Chinese or German should contact the major program coordinator.				
English as a Second Language (12 hrs.) (for students whose first language is not English/English beyond Native Language)				
ENG 204	Introduction to Literature	3		
ENG 270	Expository Writing	3		
SPE 101	Introduction to Speech Communication	3		
SPE 203	Interpersonal Communication	3		
Total Hours for Major		35-44 hrs.		

REGIONAL STUDIES CONCENTRATION (SELECT ONE):		Hours	Semester	Grade
	Asian and Middle Eastern Studies Required Courses (9 hrs):			
ASN 201	Asian Studies 3	3		
	An Upper Level course on Asia, East Asia, or the Middle East 3	3		
	<i>One of the following electives:</i>			
HIS 300	Modern Middle East 3	3		
POL 300	Middle Eastern Politics 3	3		
POL 300	Politics and Security of Developing Nations 3	3		
	Elective Courses (Choose three from the following/two must be 300 level or above- 11-12 hrs):			
	Upper level foreign language courses	3		
	Courses from an approved off-campus study program	3		
BUS 340	International Business	3		
ECN 334	Economic Development	3		
ECN 310	International Trade and Finance	3		
HIS 300	Modern Middle East	3		
HIS 348	History of American Foreign Relations	3		
HIS 350	The Vietnam Wars 1945-1955	3		
HIS 300	Modern East Asia	3		
INT 212	Model United Nations Team: [Asian or Middle Eastern nation]	2		
PHL 333	Asian Philosophy and Religion	3		
POL 300	Middle Eastern Politics	3		
POL 305	International Law and Organizations	3		
PSY 405	International and Cross-Cultural Psychology	3		
POL 300	Politics and Security of Developing Nations	3		
	European Studies Required Courses-choose two of the following (6 hrs):			
HIS 323	Europe since 1945	3		
POL 306	West European Government and Politics	3		
HIS/POL/TNS 324	Central Europe	3		
	Elective Courses (Choose three from the following/two must be 300 level or above):			
	Upper level foreign language courses	3		
	Courses from an approved off-campus study program	3		
BUS 340	International Business	3		
ECN 310	International Trade and Finance	3		
HIS 304	Selected Themes in British History, 1714 to present	3		
HIS 322	Europe in the 20th Century, 1900-1945	3		
HIS 327	Nazi Germany	3		
HIS 348	History of American Foreign Relations	3		
HUM277/SPA377	Spanish Civilization	3		
FRE 363	French Civilization (European Culture)	3		
INT 212	Model United Nations Team [European nation]	2		
PSY 405	International & Cross-Culture Psychology	3		
POL 305	International Law and Organizations	3		
POL 308	Post-Soviet Politics	3		
POL 362	American Foreign Policy	3		
	Latin American Studies Required Courses-choose 2 of the following (6 hrs):			
HIS 348	History of American Foreign Relations	3		
SPA 378	Latin American Civilization	3		
POL 300	Politics and Security of Developing Nations	3		
POL 300	Human Rights and Security	3		
	Elective Courses (Choose three from the following/two must be 300 level or above- 9-10 hrs):			
	Upper level foreign language courses	3		
	Courses from an approved off-campus study program	3		
BIO 320/321	Biology in Belize	4		
BUS 340	International Business	3		
ECN 334	Economic Development	3		
ECN 310	International Trade and Finance	3		
INT 212	Model United Nations Team: [Latin American nation]	2		
POL 305	International Law and Organizations	3		
POL 362	American Foreign Policy	3		
PSY 405	International And Cross-Cultural Psychology	3		
POL 300	Politics and Security of Developing Nations	3		
POL 300	Human Rights and Security	3		