

# International Studies

## INTERNATIONAL STUDIES MINOR

### PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

- To offer students international perspectives across a range of disciplines.
- To offer students a geographic emphasis in their studies (Latin America or Europe, for example).
- To prepare students for the global connections they are expected to encounter beyond their studies at EOU.

### LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Students will be proficient in a language other than their own.
- Students will have experience living in a country other than their own.
- Students will acquire knowledge of a culture other than their own.
- Students will present the results of an integrating research project in combination with their major.

### MEANS OF ASSESSMENT

Learning outcomes will be assessed by means of traditional tests, papers, and reports; oral proficiency interviews; and written and oral presentation of research.

### REQUIREMENTS FOR THE INTERNATIONAL STUDIES MINOR

This minor is available to those students qualifying for the Bachelor of Arts degree. Students qualifying for the B.S. degree are not excluded, provided they fulfill the second language pre-requisite (two years study or equivalent in one language). In addition to the foreign language requirement for the B.A. degree, students are required to complete 30 credits from 1, 2, and 3 below, of which at least 15 are upper division. At least 10 credits of this minor must be earned through EOU.

1. Residency abroad, for a minimum of one quarter, in an Oregon University System\* study abroad program, or in other programs approved by the adviser; or equivalent overseas experience.
2. A senior year integrating project, in combination with the major, of three to five hours. The planning and approval of the project is to be completed by the end of the junior year with the presentation of the project at the end of the senior year before primary and secondary advisers.
3. In addition to the above requirements, courses toward the minor may be chosen from a list of courses offered as applicable to the International Studies Minor. Lists of these

courses are available through the program adviser.

4. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required for courses counting toward the minor.
5. A grade of "C-" or better in each course counting toward the minor with an overall GPA of 2.00.

### Additional Comments:

[1] The choice of a geographic area of emphasis in course work (at this time, Latin America, Europe, or North America for international students) is required.

[2] To reflect the interdisciplinary intent of the minor and avoid having students take all courses from one discipline, the student program must include at least three different discipline prefixes.

[3] Both the course work and the senior integrating project must demonstrate the understanding of a culture other than the student's own national background.

[4] Advising assistance for the International Studies minor will be offered by the advisor for the International Studies minor, and the student's major adviser.

[5] A sample program is listed as an example of a possible course of study:

### LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES MODEL:

**Objectives:** To obtain an understanding of Latin America, a place of disparate historical, cultural, and political developments and its role in the world system through an interdisciplinary course of study to include the following "core" courses.

### Recommended:

- POLS 221** International Relations (5)
- SPAN 339** Culture and Civ of Latin America (4)
- ECON 440** International Economics (5)

### Electives:

- SPAN 321, 322, and 323** (8 hours max)
- SPAN 345** Intro to Literature of Latin America (4)
- SPAN 351** Latin America Through Film or
- SPAN 353** Latin America Lit Into Film
- SPAN 420** Chicano and Mexican-American Lit (4)
- SPAN 425** Translation Theory and Practice (4)
- SPAN 310 or 410** Selected Topics (1-5)

Electives could also include any Geography, Economics, Political Science, Sociology, Anthropology, or History "selected topics" classes which supplement a focus on Latin America (example: HIST 479, History of Mexico).

Proficiency in Spanish is required for this model. Residency

abroad can be met through the Oregon University System program in Ecuador and Mexico.

\* Eastern Oregon University, in cooperation with its

study abroad partners, offers options for study in many different countries. For a complete and up-to-date list go to [oregonabroad.ous.edu](http://oregonabroad.ous.edu) or [www.aha-intl.org](http://www.aha-intl.org) for online information.