

# International Studies

## INTERNATIONAL STUDIES MINOR

### PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

- To give students an interdisciplinary emphasis in understanding international studies.
- To offer students a geographic emphasis in their studies (Latin America, Europe or Asia, 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 through evaluation of traditional tests, papers, and reports; oral proficiency interviews; and written and oral presentation of research, all geared toward qualitative assessment of specified learning outcomes by means of stated criteria.

## 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.

#### Additional Comments:

[1] The choice of a geographic area of emphasis in course work (at this time, Latin America, Europe, Asia, 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 Director of the International Studies minor, and the student's major adviser.

[5] A sample program is listed as an example of a possible student 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 (3)  
**ECON 440** International Economics (5)

**Electives:**

**SPAN 320, 321, 322**, (5 hours max)  
**SPAN 420** Chicano and Mexican-American Lit (3)  
**SPAN 425** Translation Theory and Practice (3)  
**SPAN 310** or **410** Selected Topics (1-5)  
**ED 360** Multicultural American Society (3)

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 410, 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.

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## Eastern Oregon University

# Liberal Studies

(This major is also available via the Division of Distance Education)

## PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

The Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Science in Liberal Studies allows students to combine two areas of study into one interdisciplinary degree program. Students work directly with faculty in the two disciplines that they choose. Students should consult with their major advisers to achieve timely completion of general education and degree requirements. The Liberal Studies major offers options to design a program that is both personally interesting and professionally relevant. Select one of the following:

- 1) A Pre-Approved Liberal Studies Program;
- 2) Two Minors from EOU;
- 3) One Minor from EOU with One Minor from another accredited institution;
- 4) Individualized Program combining two subject fields.

## LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Acquire a solid foundation in the two core disciplines included in the Liberal Studies degree.
- Comprehend the differences in perspective and methods between the two core disciplines.
- Develop skills in research, writing, and presenting across the two disciplines.

## MEANS OF ASSESSMENT

Liberal Studies majors are assessed in a variety of

ways. From the beginning they must provide a written justification for their degree plan when applying for admission to the degree. They complete, with a C- or better, all the required and elective courses that comprise their degree program. Liberal Studies majors complete a capstone course. Students must also complete two writing intensive courses and demonstrate computer literacy. Many Liberal Studies majors also submit learning essays for credit, using guidelines learned in the Assessment of Prior Experiential Learning course (APEL 390).

## ADMISSION TO PROGRAM

Students are strongly encouraged to begin planning their Liberal Studies majors as soon as possible after admission to the institution. To be admitted to the Liberal Studies major, students must:

- a) Complete 45 credits (of which at least 24 must be graded with 12 from EOU) with a GPA of 2.00 or better.
- b) Plan courses to meet the University Writing Requirement (UWR).
- c) If pursuing a PRE-APPROVED program or TWO MINORS from EOU, a student will file a program plan at least forty-five (45) credit hours prior to graduation and must meet the admission standards described in a) and b) above. The student's adviser and the Liberal Studies Coordinator approve the plan.

Students pursuing ONE MINOR FROM EOU/ONE FROM ANOTHER ACCREDITED INSTITUTION, or an INDIVIDUALIZED PROGRAM file a program plan at least forty-five (45) credit hours prior to graduation. The student's adviser and the members