

International Studies

Degree Awarded: Associate in Arts

Recommended Course Sequence

First Semester	Credits
ENG 101 Freshman English 1	3
COM 101 Foundations of Communication	3
MAT ___ SUNY Math (GE 1)	3-4
GEO 102 Human Geography or	
ANT 101 Cultural Anthropology	3
POL 220 Comparative Governments	3
PES 100 Concepts of Physical Wellness	1
Second Semester	
ENG 102 Freshman English 2	3
PSY 111 Introduction to Psychology	3
_____ SUNY Natural Science (GE 2)	3-4
POL 221 International Relations	3
HIS 121 World History to 1500	3
PES ___ Physical Education	1
Third Semester	
ENG 203/4 World Literature	3
HIS 122 World History Since 1500	3
_____ SUNY Art (GE 8)	3
_____ SUNY Foreign Language (GE 9) (Elementary 2 or above)	3
ECO 201 Macro-Economics	3
Fourth Semester	
ENG 225 International Literature	3
_____ General Elective	3
_____ Liberal Arts Science or Math (MAT 113 or higher)	3-4
_____ Restricted Elective*	3
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Total Credits: 62-64

* Choose two of the following courses:

COM 211 Intercultural Communications

ECO 203 Economic Development

HIS 220 Modern China and Japan

HIS 222 The Middle East

HIS 223 Latin American Heritage

HIS 224 Africa: Past and Present

HIS 233 Modern Europe

HIS 234 History of Russia and Eastern Europe

_____ Non-Western Art

_____ Foreign Language Intermediate 1 (or higher)

BUS 207 Intro to International Business

Program Description

The Associate in Arts degree program in International Studies provides students with a range of studies that emphasize the interconnections among global political, economic, social, and cultural events and processes. As globalization literally makes the world a smaller place, International Studies helps prepare students to take advantage of those changes, both in terms of their personal growth and career opportunities. The degree is designed to prepare students for transfer and continued academic success within a liberal arts setting, especially one dedicated to the study of international and global events. This program also features a solid grounding in liberal arts education.

The curriculum is designed to include a broad range of courses with international themes in the humanities and social sciences. In addition to core courses in the liberal arts common to many programs, International Studies requires students to take classes in foreign languages, international relations, world history and international literature. Through these courses, students will develop critical learning skills, a foundation of knowledge about the international system and the ability to clearly write, analyze and communicate about concepts in the discipline.

Admission Criteria

Admission to this program requires that students be high school graduates or have high school equivalency diplomas (HSEs). If students are not high school graduates, they may be eligible for admission to the College's 24 Credit Hour Program. If students are home schooled, they may be eligible for admission. (See pages 7 through 13 for more details on the admission process for all applicants.)

Program Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this program, students will be able to:

- demonstrate foundational knowledge of and an appreciation for the cultural, social, and natural worlds.
- recognize the diversity of human experience, values, and perspectives.
- demonstrate an understanding of the forms of artistic expression and their creative processes.
- apply critical thinking and systematic reasoning skills.
- demonstrate information management, quantitative skills, and an understanding of the role of empirical measurement.
- use effective oral and written communication skills.
- transfer to, and succeed at, an upper-level institution.
- understand the processes that contribute to globalization and increased interdependence among people, governments and states.



Career Opportunities

- language interpreter
- high school teacher
- international business
- international law
- government or diplomatic work
- export-import work

Transfer Opportunities

SUNY Orange has special relationships with upper-level colleges and universities for transfer.

These transfer institutions include:

- four-year SUNY units
- a variety of public and private four-year colleges with whom articulation agreements are under development

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