

Global Studies (GLS)

Division of Social Sciences

- **Minor: 24 credit hours**
- **All courses must be completed with a grade of C- or better**

Description of Minor: Global studies is a minor that studies the world as an interacting human community, including the movement of goods, the migration of people, the spread of technologies, and the mixing of cultures. Today's global world leads to such interdependence that the greatest issues faced by humanity – climate change, economic stability, disease, terrorism, hunger, poverty, war, and conflict, etc. – require global solutions. The global studies minor focuses on these processes and problems, complementing both traditional liberal arts majors and professional courses of study.

Student Learning Outcomes

Students will:

- Understand how various theories describe globalization and explain its causes and consequences.
- Understand globalization policy debates, particularly regarding the environment and human rights.
- Understand the ethical implications of global citizenship.
- Acquire skills in a foreign language to communicate effectively in other societies.

Preparation: The global studies minor is ideal for students who want to pursue career opportunities in international organizations, international business, economic development, international law, human rights, humanitarian groups, health, the environment, mass communication, and a wide variety of government agencies.

GLOBAL STUDIES		
MINOR REQUIREMENTS		24 crs.
GLS 101	INTRODUCTION TO GLOBAL STUDIES	3
	FOREIGN LANGUAGE	6

TWO COURSES FROM THE FOLLOWING		
BIO 250	INTRODUCTION TO ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE	3
GLS 240	CROSS-CULTURAL PRACTICUM	3
PSI 210	INTRODUCTION TO WORLD POLITICS	3
PSI 220	INTRODUCTION TO COMPARATIVE POLITICS	3

THREE COURSES FROM THE FOLLOWING		
COM 353	INTERCULTURAL COMMUNICATION	3
PSI 311	INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS (W)	3
PSI 312	INTERNATIONAL LAW	3
PSI 313	INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL ECONOMY (W)	3
SOC 356	POPULATION AND DEMOGRAPHY	3
SOC 357	INEQUALITY AND ENVIRONMENTAL SOCIOLOGY	3

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GLS 101 **3****INTRODUCTION TO GLOBAL STUDIES**

This course examines modern globalization and the interdependence that characterizes contemporary global issues, including migration, climate change, economic stability, hunger, disease, war, cultural diversity, and poverty.

GLS 240 **1 or 3****CROSS-CULTURAL PRACTICUM**

An analysis of global issues and the impact of globalization on social inequality. Students are required to participate in an international service-learning experience during spring break. Course may be repeated for 1 credit hour. No more than 4 credits may be applied to the major. Same as SOC 240. Prerequisites: Application and instructor consent.

GLS 470 **3-8****INTERNSHIP IN GLOBAL STUDIES****GLS 480** **1-4****INDEPENDENT STUDY IN GLOBAL STUDIES****GLS 498** **3****SENIOR SEMINAR IN GLOBAL STUDIES (W)**

Selected topics to change yearly. Offers students a capstone experience in which students do an extensive research project and present their findings in a seminar setting.