Degree: Bachelor of Arts in International Studies

Major: International Studies-International Relations
Major: International Studies with a focus in:
- Asian Studies
- European Studies
- Inter-American Studies
- International Business
- Middle East/African Studies
- Russian/East European Studies
- Travel & Tourism

General Requirements for Catalog: 2010-2012 and 2012-2014

1. Minimum required: 120 semester hours; 36 hours advanced coursework (at least 24 advanced hours must be completed at TX State, including at least 12 advanced hours completed in the major); 9 hours intensive writing coursework; a minor is optional but not required; International Studies majors must have 3.00 TX State and 3.00 Major GPA (major GPA includes IS Core and Focus Courses; transfer grades are counted in Major GPA). For residency and other graduation requirements, see the academic policies for the University, College of Liberal Arts, and Center for International Studies in the 2012-2014 Undergraduate Catalog (hereinafter referred to as "the Catalog").

2. All International Studies majors must complete the General Education Core Requirements as listed in the Catalog. It is recommended that GEO 1310 be selected from the Social and Behavioral Sciences Component because it is also an International Studies Core requirement. Also, although MATH 1316 will count for core, it is not recommended for this major because it does not meet the prerequisite requirements for the required economics courses. It is assumed, but not required, that all general education core requirements will be completed before achieving full IS major status.

3. Before you can declare a major in international studies, you must have completed a minimum of 30 hours; earned at least a 3.0 TX State GPA (overall GPA is not considered); successfully completed ENG 1310, 1320, HIST 1310, 1320, POSI 2310 and 2320, or their approved equivalents. When you meet all of the above requirements, you are eligible to declare your major in International Studies. Schedule an appointment with a Liberal Arts Academic Advisor to declare your major and seek academic advising. Students who are classified as "Exploratory-International" are considered to be pre-majors, and should continue to be advised by the University College Advising Center.

4. International Studies majors are required to complete the special requirements in science, modern language, and English for the Bachelor of Arts listed under the Degrees and Programs section of the Catalog. For International Studies majors, the list of approved additional science courses under that section is expanded to include statistics. Course options are included in the "Additional BA Requirements" list on the IS major program checksheets.

5. The 17-hour language requirement must be completed in the same Modern Language. Consult with your academic advisor if an advanced course is not available in your language. Foreign language credit from high school will not count for the IS major. American Sign Language is not considered to be an approved Modern Language option for the IS major.

6. Honors courses are highly encouraged, but credit for the IS major must be pre-approved by the Coordinator of Academic Programs for the Center of International Studies in consultation with an academic advisor. Honors College requirements and approvals apply.

7. International Study is highly encouraged. Consult with your academic advisor and the Study Abroad Office for more information. [http://www.studyabroad.txstate.edu/](http://www.studyabroad.txstate.edu/). Study abroad programs that are not offered by Texas State must be evaluated by the Study Abroad Office, Undergraduate Admissions, and your academic advisor, in consultation with the Coordinator of Academic Programs for the Center of International Studies, for transferability to Texas State and to the IS major.

8. Note: All IS majors assigned to the 2012-2014 Undergraduate Academic Catalog are required to complete a global academic experience that can be fulfilled by a study abroad course or the IS 4687, International Studies Internship, if it entails international work, service, or group research. Consult with an academic advisor for options.