GLOBAL & INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

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Major
Requirements₁

The Global and International Studies in Social Science (GLIS) major provides students with breadth in social science foundational courses combined with in-depth knowledge in a world region or global topic.

Students develop understanding of the processes of continuity and change in various world regions through interdisciplinary theory and practice and use of methodologies, theories, and literatures of various disciplines and fields.

In contrast with other majors at MSU, each student chooses an area or topic concentration that allows them to develop a plan of study focused on courses important to them and discuss contemporary issues confronting societies and governments globally. Students are exposed to critical issues that affect the lives of many people in the world and the relationship between between people in the U.S. and the rest of the world.

Interdisciplinary Courses (6 Credits)

IDS	299	Integration of Social Science Perspectives (3)
IDS	495	Interdisciplinary Research Methods (3)
IDS	499	Interdisciplinary Studies Capstone (3)

Foundation Courses (9-12 Credits)

ANP	201	Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (3)
EC	201	Introduction to Microeconomics (3)
EC	202	Introduction to Macroeconomics (3)
GEO	151	Introduction to Human Geography (3)
GEO	204	World Regional Geography (3)
HST	140	World History to 1500 (4)
HST	150	World History Since 1500 (4)
PLS	140	Introduction to Comparative Politics (3)
PLS	160	Introduction to International Relations (3)
SOC	161	International Development & Change (3)

Language Competency (2nd Year Proficiency)

Concentration (15 Credits)

Asian Studies, Canadian Studies, European & Russian Studies, Latin American & Caribbean Studies, Middle Eastern & African Studies

Area Concentrations

Global Health, International Development, Migration Studies, Integrative Studies

Topic Concentrations



