

AREA STUDIES CONCENTRATION

International Studies, Bachelor of Arts with a Concentration in Area Studies Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS -34 Hours Required		
Minimum of "C-"required		
Fundamental Skills		15
Writing – 6 hrs.		
ENGL 1150	ENGLISH COMPOSITION I	
ENGL 1160	COLLEGE RESEARCH AND INFORMATION LITERACY	
Oral Communication – 3 hrs.		
CMST 1110 or CMST 2120	PUBLIC SPEAKING FUNDS ARGUMENTATION AND DEBATE	
Quantitative Literacy – 3 hrs.		
MATH 1120 or MATH 1130 or MATH 1140 or MATH 1300	INTRODUCTION TO MATHEMATICAL AND COMPUTATIONAL THINKING QUANTITATIVE LITERACY QUANTITATIVE REASONING FOR HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS COLLEGE ALGEBRA WITH SUPPORT	
Data Literacy – 3 hrs.		
Select one from the following:		
STAT 1100	DATA LITERACY AND VISUALIZATION	
STAT 1530	ELEMENTARY STATISTICS	
Until Fall 2028, students can satisfy this requirement with an approved data literacy course, or any approved natural or social science general education course.		
Breadth of Knowledge		13
Social Science – 3 hrs.		
Humanities – 3 hrs.		
Natural & Physical Science (must complete a lab) – 4 hrs.		
Arts – 3 hrs.		
Individual and Social Responsibility		6
Cultural Knowledge – 3 hrs.		
Civic Knowledge and Engagement – 3 hrs.		
MAJOR REQUIREMENTS		
**Course will satisfy UNO's General Education requirement		
^Course requires pre-requisite(s)		
International Studies Major - 55-65 Hours Required		
Required Coursework		12
INST 2130	GLOBAL CHALLENGES (**)	
INST 4140	TOPICS IN INTERNATIONAL STUDIES (^)	
INST 4990	SENIOR E-PORTFOLIO (Required in last semester)	
GEOG 1000	WORLD REGIONAL GEOGRAPHY (**)	
PSCI 2210	INTRODUCTION TO INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (**)	
Select two classes from the following		6
ANTH 1050	INTRODUCTION TO ANTHROPOLOGY (**)	

ANTH 4210	CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY	
ART 1040	GLOBAL INDIGENOUS ART (**)	
BLST/PSCI 2130	AFRICAN POLITICS (**)	
BSAD 2700	GLOBALIZATION OF BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (**)	
CMST 2010	INTERPERSONAL COMMUNICATION (**)	
CMST 2300	INTERGROUP DIALOGUE (**)	
CMST 4570	INTERCULTURAL COMMUNICATION: THEORY AND PRACTICE (** ^)	
CYBR 1100	INTRODUCTION TO INFORMATION SECURITY (**)	
ECON 1200	SURVEY OF ECONOMICS (**)	
ECON 2200	PRINCIPLES OF ECONOMICS (MICRO) (**)	
ECON 2220	PRINCIPLES OF ECONOMICS (MACRO) (**)	
ENGL 2510	GLOBAL EXPLORATIONS: MEDIEVAL TO EARLY MODERN WORLD (**)	
ENGL 2520	GLOBAL EXPLORATIONS: THE MODERN WORLD	
HIST/LLS 2480	HISTORY OF LATIN AMERICA: PRECONQUEST TO THE PRESENT (**)	
HIST 2810	HISTORY OF CHINA: FROM THE MANCHU CONQUEST TO THE PRESENT (**)	
HIST 2820	JAPAN: FROM WARRING STATES TO THE MODERN DAY (**)	
HIST 2920	HISTORY OF MODERN AFRICA	
INST 1050	INTRODUCTION TO GLOBAL MIGRATIONS	
LLS 1000	LATIN AMERICA: AN INTRODUCTION (**)	
LLS/MUS 2810	MUSIC IN LATIN AMERICAN CULTURE (**)	
PHIL 2040	INTRODUCTION TO EAST ASIAN PHILOSOPHY (**)	
PSCI 2500	INTRODUCTION TO COMPARATIVE POLITICS (**)	
RELI 1010	RELIGIONS OF THE WORLD (**)	
RELI 2020	RELIGION AND HUMAN RIGHTS (**)	
RELI/HIST/SOC 2190	THE MODERN MIDDLE EAST	
RELI 2200	GLOBAL RELIGIOUS ETHICS: THE BASICS	
SUST 1000	INTRODUCTION TO SUSTAINABILITY (**)	
WGST/PSCI 3230	GENDER AND GLOBAL POLITICS (**)	
3000-4000 Level coursework in a selected area/region to be determined in consultation with advisor		15
Coursework on selected area/region must come from at least two different departments		
Area Studies - World Language Requirement		22-32
At a minimum, majors who choose this concentration must complete the equivalent of three years of one university-level world language (levels 1110, 1120, 2110, 2120, followed by at least two 3000/4000 level courses in the same language) OR may complete two-years worth (levels 1110-2120) of world language coursework in two different languages, one corresponding with the area chosen for this concentration. The BA degree World Language requirement is satisfied with the INST major.		
College Breadth (choose one option)		15-30

Option 1: Complete any UNO minor or undergraduate certificate - 15+ hours

Option 2: Additional General Education Requirements - 18+ hours

Additional quantitative literacy - 3 hours

Additional Social Science Gen. Ed. from another Discipline - 3 hours

Additional Humanities Gen. Ed. from another Discipline - 3 hours

HIST 1000 and HIST 1010 - 6 hours

Additional Nat. and Physical Science w/ or without Lab - 3-5 hours

Option 3: CAS comprehensive major (50+ hours) OR any second UNO major (30+ hours)

Bachelor of Arts Language Requirement

See INST major

ELECTIVES

Elective hours as required to reach a total of 120 hours

International Studies, Bachelor of Arts with a Concentration in Area Studies Four Year Plan

Freshman

		Credits
Fall		
ENGL 1150	ENGLISH COMPOSITION I	3
INST 2130	GLOBAL CHALLENGES	3
MATH 1120	INTRODUCTION TO MATHEMATICAL	3-4
or MATH 1130	AND COMPUTATIONAL THINKING	
or MATH 1140	or QUANTITATIVE LITERACY	
or MATH 1300	or QUANTITATIVE REASONING FOR	
	HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS	
	or COLLEGE ALGEBRA WITH	
	SUPPORT	
World Language 1110		5
Attend Durango Days; other campus events. Set up a Handshake account and take the Pathway U career assessment. Attend the Student Involvement & Volunteer Fair to explore student organizations. Make advising appointment for spring: Sept-Oct. Work with your advisor to develop your Pathway in Stellar.		

Credits 14-15

Spring

ENGL 1160	COLLEGE RESEARCH AND INFORMATION LITERACY	3
GEOG 1000	WORLD REGIONAL GEOGRAPHY	3
CMST 1110	PUBLIC SPEAKING FUNDS	3
or CMST 2120	or ARGUMENTATION AND DEBATE	
World Language 1120		5
Attend campus events such as major exploration week to get an idea of interests and career paths. Schedule a resume review with UNO Career Services. Visit faculty office hours and ask about undergraduate research opportunities. Make advising appointment for summer and fall: February – March.		

Credits 14

Sophomore

Fall		
PSCI 2210	INTRODUCTION TO INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS	3

INST Requirement	3
World Language 2110	3
General Education Course or Elective	4
Elective	3

Attend the Career & Internship Fair to start networking with employers. Look for volunteer, research, or part-time work to gain experience. Join a student organization or club related to your field or interests. Make advising appointment for spring: Sept. - Oct.

Credits 16

Spring

INST Requirement	3
World Language 2120	3
General Education Course or Elective	3
General Education Course or Elective	3
Elective	3

Attend a career fair for informational and networking purposes. Update your resume and LinkedIn profile with new experiences. Investigate and apply for summer internships, research, or study abroad programs. Make advising appointment for summer and fall: February – March.

Credits 15

Junior

Fall

INST 4140	TOPICS IN INTERNATIONAL STUDIES	3
International Studies 3000-4000 Course		3
World Language 3030 or other approved WLL course from the 3000-4000 level.		3
Elective		3
Elective		3

Apply for a paid internship or research assistantship. Attend a mock interview workshop or use online interview tools with Career Services. Start researching and visiting graduate programs or professional schools. Visit Career Center, continue updating resume. Make advising appointment for spring: Sept-Oct.

Credits 15

Spring

International Studies 3000-4000 Course		3
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World Language 3040 or other approved WLL course from the 3000-4000 level.		3
Elective		3
Elective		3

Request letters of recommendation from faculty for jobs or grad school. Attend the All-Majors Career Fair with a plan to network. Meet with your advisor or submit for a graduation check-in to review remaining degree requirements. Make advising appointment for summer and fall: February – March.

Credits 15

Senior

Fall

International Studies 3000-4000 Course		3
Elective		3
Elective		3
Elective		3
Elective		3

Check in with Career Center for networking tips. Finalize graduate school applications or job search strategy. Attend a career fair and start applying for full-time jobs. Prepare for interviews and salary negotiations with Career Services. Make advising appointment for spring: Sept. - Oct.

Credits 15

Spring

INST 4990	SENIOR E-PORTFOLIO	0
International Studies 3000-4000 Course		3
Elective		3
Elective		3
Elective		3
Elective		3
Elective		1

Complete your final advising check before graduation. Polish your resume, cover letters, and LinkedIn profile. Stay connected by joining alumni networks and professional organizations. Apply for graduation via MavLink.

Credits 16

Total Credits 120-121

College Breadth: Students should plan on using at least 15 hours of "Electives" to fulfill Option 1, 2, or 3, of the College of Arts and Sciences' breadth requirement.

Upper Level Credits: Students need 27 upper level credits throughout the degree with at least 18 upper level credits within the major. Electives may need to be selected at the 3000-4000 level to reach these minimums.

Additional Information About this Plan:

University Degree Requirements: The minimum number of hours for a UNO undergraduate degree is 120 credit hours. Please review the requirements for your specific program to determine all requirements for the program. In order to graduate on-time (four years for an undergraduate degree), you need to take 30 hours each year.

Placement Exams: For Math, English, Foreign Language, a placement exam may be required. More information on these exams can be found at <https://www.unomaha.edu/enrollment-management/testing-center/placement-exams/information.php>

Transfer credit or placement exam scores may change suggested plan of study.

GPA Requirements: 2.0

Note: This plan provides a general guide, but your specific courses, experiences, and career goals may differ. Work with your academic advisor to ensure you're meeting degree requirements and consult with career advisors to explore internships, research opportunities, and post-graduation plans. Regular check-ins will help you stay on track and make the most of your time at UNO!