

INTERNATIONAL STUDIES, BACHELOR OF ARTS

A major in International Studies must meet or exceed the requirements for a major as specified by the College of Arts and Sciences. Beyond the core courses and foreign language classes, the curriculum for INST majors is constructed of those courses that have an international focus in disciplines such as history, political science, information technology, geography, sociology, management, marketing, economics, philosophy and religion, English, and related courses in the fine arts and humanities.

INST majors can choose either a general curriculum INST degree or choose a concentration in Global Strategic Studies, Area Studies or International Management and Business Leadership.

All coursework taken for the International Studies major must be completed with a grade of "C-" or better.

Bachelor of Arts International 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	PUBLIC SPEAKING FUNDS	
or CMST 2120	ARGUMENTATION AND DEBATE	
Quantitative Literacy – 3 hrs.		
MATH 1120	INTRODUCTION TO MATHEMATICAL AND COMPUTATIONAL THINKING	
or MATH 1130	QUANTITATIVE LITERACY	
or MATH 1140	QUANTITATIVE REASONING FOR HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS	
or MATH 1300	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 - 33 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 from two of the following classes		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 2720	RUSSIA: FROM THE CRIMEAN WAR 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 International Studies to be determined in consultation with advisor 15**International Studies Major World Language Requirement 16**

The International Studies major requires two years of one world language or the equivalent of levels 1110-2120. The BA World Language requirement is also satisfied with this 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 - e 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 0

See Major.

ELECTIVES

Elective hours as required to reach a total of 120 hours

International Studies, Bachelor of Arts Concentrations

- Area Studies Concentration (<http://catalog.unomaha.edu/undergraduate/college-arts-sciences/international-studies/international-studies-ba/area-studies-conc/>)
- Global Strategic Studies Concentration (<http://catalog.unomaha.edu/undergraduate/college-arts-sciences/international-studies/international-studies-ba/global-strategic-studies-conc/>)
- International Management and Business Leadership Concentration (<http://catalog.unomaha.edu/undergraduate/college-arts-sciences/international-studies/international-studies-ba/intl-mgmt-business-conc/>)

Bachelor of Arts International Studies - No Concentration Four Year Plan

Freshman

Fall		Credits
ENGL 1150	ENGLISH COMPOSITION I	3
INST 2130	GLOBAL CHALLENGES	3
MATH 1120 or MATH 1130 or MATH 1140 or MATH 1300	INTRODUCTION TO MATHEMATICAL AND COMPUTATIONAL THINKING or QUANTITATIVE LITERACY or QUANTITATIVE REASONING FOR HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS or COLLEGE ALGEBRA WITH SUPPORT	3-4
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 Stellic.

Credits		14-15
Spring		
ENGL 1160	COLLEGE RESEARCH AND INFORMATION LITERACY	3
GEOG 1000	WORLD REGIONAL GEOGRAPHY	3
CMST 1110 or CMST 2120	PUBLIC SPEAKING FUNDS or ARGUMENTATION AND DEBATE	3
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
General Education Course or 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
Elective		3
World Language 2120		3
General Education Course or Elective		3
General Education Course or 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
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.		
Elective		3
Elective		3
Elective		3

Credits 15

Spring

International Studies 3000-4000 Course	3
International Studies 3000-4000 Course	3
Elective	3
Elective	3-4
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 **15-16**

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
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*International Studies electives are selected in coordination with an academic advisor.

Elective	1
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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 **120-122**

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, World 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>

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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!