

Global Studies

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Global Studies Minor

The Global Studies minor provides students a multi- and interdisciplinary minor that helps them prepare for global-oriented careers in business, government, non-governmental organizations, international development organizations, and philanthropic agencies.

Mission

The Global Studies Program fosters an interdisciplinary environment of investigation of global issues that enables students to discover, create, and communicate knowledge, develop critical thinking and intercultural competencies, and cultivate civic responsibility in preparation for opportunities in a wide array of globally-oriented fields.

The primary learning outcomes of the Global Studies Minor are:

- Students will learn cultural and physical geography.
- Students will be able to utilize foreign language skills to engage in cross-cultural dialogues and investigate global issues from multiple perspectives.
- Students will be able to evaluate and demonstrate interdisciplinary-informed perspectives on global issues.
- Students will be able to reflect critically on the global contexts of local experiences.
- Students will learn to envision possible solutions for global conflicts as well as for global inequalities and power disparities.

Coursework in Global Studies includes core courses in Global Studies, a foreign language, and elective courses selected based on the student's thematic concentration. Students will select one of the following thematic concentrations:

- Global Markets and Politics
- Global Environment, Technology, and Health
- Global Security and Development
- Cultures in Exchange and Contact
- Area Studies (Latin America, Europe, Middle East, Africa, or Asia)

Thematic Concentrations in Global Studies

- Global Studies - Global Markets and Politics Concentration (<http://catalog.uah.edu/undergrad/colleges-departments/arts-humanities-social-sciences/global-studies/global-studies-minor-global-markets-politics-concentration>)
- Global Studies - Global Environment, Technology, and Health Concentration (<http://catalog.uah.edu/undergrad/colleges-departments/arts-humanities-social-sciences/global-studies/global-studies-minor-global-environment-technology-health-concentration>)
- Global Studies - Global Security and Development Concentration (<http://catalog.uah.edu/undergrad/colleges-departments/arts-humanities-social-sciences/global-studies/global-studies-minor-global-security-development-concentration>)
- Global Studies - Cultures in Exchange and Contact Concentration (<http://catalog.uah.edu/undergrad/colleges-departments/arts-humanities-social-sciences/global-studies/global-studies-minor-cultures-exchange-contact-concentration>)
- Global Studies - Area Studies Concentration (<http://catalog.uah.edu/undergrad/colleges-departments/arts-humanities-social-sciences/global-studies/global-studies-minor-area-studies-concentration>)

GS 199 - STUDY ABROAD

Semester Hours: 1-3

Course will involve travel to selected countries for academic study purposes. The course is open to all UAH students with permission of the instructor. May be repeated for credit when the content of the course differs.

GS 200 - GLOBAL SYSTEMS AND CULTURES

Semester Hours: 3

A multidisciplinary introduction to global studies through a focus on cultural, economic, political, and historical dimensions of interactions among world nations and cultures.

GS 299 - ST: GLOBAL STUDIES ABROAD

Semester Hours: 1-3

Course will involve travel to selected countries for academic study purposes. The course is open to all UAH students with permission of the instructor. May be repeated for credit when the content of the course differs.

GS 399 - STUDY ABROAD

Semester Hours: 1-3

Course will involve travel to selected countries for academic study purposes. The course is open to all UAH students with permission of the instructor. May be repeated for credit when the content of the course differs.

GS 400 - RESEARCH PROJECT & PORTFOLIO

Semester Hours: 3

Capstone independent research seminar for students completing the Global Studies minor. Students complete an interdisciplinary research project and a portfolio assignment based on their selected thematic concentration in the Global Studies minor. Prerequisite: GS 200, its equivalent, or approval of instructor. Offered fall and spring.

GS 499 - SELECTED TOPICS IN GLOBAL STU

Semester Hours: 1-3

Selected topics in Global Studies. Course may also take place abroad as part of a study abroad program. May be repeated for credit with permission of Global Studies Program director.