Global Studies

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 - 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. Topics and countries will vary. Duration of travel will normal vary between one and three weeks and will incur additional costs to the student. The course will be taught in English and is open to all UAH students with permission of the instructor. May be repeated for credit when the content of the course differs. Primarily offered during the spring and summer terms.

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 399 - STUDY ABROAD
Semester Hours: 3

Travel to selected countries for academic study purposes. Topics and countries will vary. The course will be taught in English and is open to all UAH students with permission of the instructor. May be repeated for credit when the content of the course differs. Primarily offered during the summer.

GS 400 - TOPICS IN GLOBAL STUDIES
Semester Hours: 3

Maintaining a multi-and interdisciplinary focus, this course explores a particular topic pertinent to Global Studies from multiple perspectives. Course topics will vary annually. Course is open to students seeking upper division elective credit and serves as the capstone course for Global Studies cognate students.