
INCL 291, 391, 491 **Independent Studies** (1-4, OD)

INCL 195, 295, 395, 495 **Special Topics** (1-4, OD)
Topics offered according to interest and demand.

International Development (minor)

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Minor: (15-16 hours)

The International Development minor equips students with basic critical-analytical skills and contextual knowledge needed to understand and address practical problems of sustainable development anywhere in the world. The minor is grounded in a Christian worldview and therefore pursues ideas and approaches to development that hold the promise of holistic transformation within communities and institutions and seeks to correct the injustices associated with poverty, oppression, and inequality.

Minor in International Development – 4 Courses

INCL 201	Introduction to Global Issues	4
INCL 338	Issues in Development	4
INCL 346	Governance and Development	4
One Optional course below:		

Optional courses: (select one)

POLS 212	Social Science Research Methods	4
ECON 210	Principles of Microeconomics and	2
ECON 211	Principles of Macroeconomics (<i>must take both courses</i>)	2
EDUC/INCL 236	Literacy, Culture and Development	4
INCL 345	Peacebuilding: Genocide and Religious Div. (Go ED)	3
POLS 345	Community Organization and Development	4
INCL 347	Communication for Development	4
INCL 348	Foundations of Health Development	4
INCL 350	Culture Change	4
INCL 442	Globalization and Islamization	3-4

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

See Intercultural Studies and Political Science.

International Relations (major and minor)

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Major: (37-42 hours)

Minor: (17-18 hours)

International Relations Major: The International Relations major is an interdisciplinary major drawing on the social sciences and history, and combining theory with experiential learning. It focuses on international politics, economics, and culture from a global perspective, and is thus complementary to the college's major in Intercultural Studies, which considers cross-cultural issues from an anthropological and local community perspective. The International Relations major is administered in cooperation with Houghton's Office of Off-Campus Programs. The introductory course for the major and minor is Introduction to International Relations, which is an introduction to international relations as a whole, including international politics, international economics, and other aspects of the world system.

Major requirements (37-42 hours):

Foundational courses:

POLS 230	Introduction to International Relations	4
ECON 201	Introduction to Economics	2
ECON 211	Principles of Macroeconomics	2

Skills courses:

Foreign Language	0-4	
<i>(Students must have FL instruction or demonstrated ability equivalent to 301.)</i>		
POLS 212	Social Science Research Methods	4
INTR 310	Intercultural Competencies	4
<i>(Intercultural Experience prerequisite)</i>		

Core courses: Students must complete four core courses.

<i>Choose 2 International Politics electives</i>	8	
POLS 240	Comparing Nations	4
POLS 336	American Foreign Policy	4
POLS 345	Community Organization and Development	4
POLS 346	Governance and Development	4
POLS 437	International Law and Organization	4
POLS 468, 469	America and the World I, II	4
<i>Choose one International Economics/Business elective</i>	2	
ECON 210	Principles of Microeconomics	2
ECON 212	International Economics	2
ECON 237	Comparative Economic Systems	2
BADM 313	International Business	2
<i>Choose one Regional History elective</i>	3-4	
HIST 223	Latin American History to 1800 or	
HIST 224	Latin American History Since 1800	4
HIST 249	African History	4
HIST 251	East African History	4
HIST 325	Europe in the 19 th Century or	
HIST 326	Europe, 1890-1945	4
POLS 353	War & Terrorism in the Middle East	4
POLS 355	East Asia: History and Politics	4
POLS 357	Russia and the USSR: History and Politics	4
Or a regional history course taught during the Intercultural Experience (3-4 hours)		
Capstone Courses	8	
INTR 311	Intercultural Experience	4
<i>(In the geographic area of student's primary interest)</i>		
POLS 480	Senior Capstone: Politics Seminar	4

Minor: 17-18 hours, as follows:

POLS 230	Introduction to International Relations	4
ECON 201	Introduction to Economics	2
INTR 310	Intercultural Competencies	4

INTR 311	Intercultural Experience	4
	3-4 hours from one of these categories:	3-4
A)	Regional History	
B)	International Politics	
C)	International Economics/Business (<i>This requires 2 two-hour courses</i>).	

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INTR/ANTH 310 Intercultural Competencies (4, F, S)
 Explores the knowledge, attitudes, and skills for transitioning into, adapting to, working in, and functioning successfully in an intercultural context. Key topics include cultural values, intercultural communication, researching culture, being a change agent, dealing with conflict, and working with individuals from another culture.

INTR 311 Intercultural Experience (4, F&S)
 A cross-cultural experience in an approved setting in an area of service related to the student's concentration or field of interest. Preliminary studies and research, the dynamics of living and serving, ongoing mentorship, and periodic reflection will result in journaling and a final summary synthesis research paper. This experience may be linked to formal study-abroad programs, official internship affiliation, or pre-approved individual arrangements. Prerequisite: INTR 310.

Other individual course descriptions can be found by looking under the appropriate area (political science, economics, business administration, history, or intercultural studies).

Islamic Studies (minor)

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Minor: (15-16 hours)

Minor (2 required courses + 2 electives)

INCL/MISS 360	Intro to Islamics, Houghton	4
INCL/MISS 361	Engaging the Muslim World, Houghton	4

Minor Electives (2)

INCL/MISS 440	Unorthodox & Folk Islam, Houghton	4
INCL/MISS 441	Islam in North America, Houghton	4
INCL/MISS 442	Globalization & Islamization, London (Mayterm)	4
INCL/MISS 322	History of Islamic theology and Movements	4
INCL/POLS 353	War and Terrorism in the Middle East:	
	History and Politics	4
HIST 319	The History of Islam, London	3
	Peoples and cultures of the Middle East, MESP	4
	Islamic Thought and Practice in the Middle East, MESP	4
	Conflict and Change in the Middle East, MESP	4

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

See intercultural studies