

Global and International Studies Minor

Why minor in Global and International Studies?

Global and International Studies will give you the tools to understand the rapid and profound changes occurring around the world. As a degree of study, it is useful for careers in business and the private sector, non-profit work, and foreign and civil service. The interdisciplinary curriculum provides a great deal of flexibility to tailor your program toward your career aspirations. We live in a world where a great demand exists in most career fields for the understanding of contemporary global dynamics, language and cultural study, and research and writing development our degree provides.

Requirements for the Minor

Students selecting this minor must complete the following:

GIST Minor Core Requirements

Global & International Studies Core Knowledge and Skills. Satisfied by completion of GIST 220, and one course from the following list:

Code	Title	Hours
GIST 220	Introduction to Global and International Studies	3
and one of the following:		
GIST 210/ GEOG 201/ AAAS 203 or GIST 211 or GEOG 202 or AAAS 204	Culture and Health Culture and Health, Honors Culture and Health, Honors Culture and Health, Honors	3
GEOG 100	World Regional Geography	3
GEOG 102 or GEOG 103	People, Place, and Society People, Place, and Society, Honors	3
ANTH 108 or ANTH 109 or ANTH 308 ANTH 160 or ANTH 360	Introduction to Cultural Anthropology Introduction to Cultural Anthropology, Honors Fundamentals of Cultural Anthropology The Varieties of Human Experience The Varieties of Human Experience	3-4
ECON 104 or ECON 105	Introductory Economics Introductory Economics, Honors	4
ECON 144 or ECON 145	Principles of Macroeconomics Principles of Macroeconomics, Honors	3
POLS 150 or POLS 151	Introduction to Comparative Politics Introduction to Comparative Politics Honors	3
POLS 170 or POLS 171	Introduction to International Politics Introduction to International Politics Honors	3
HIST 103	Environment and History	3
EVRN/GEOG/ HIST 140	Global Environment I: The Discovery of Environmental Change	3
EVRN/GEOG/ HIST 142	Global Environment II: The Ecology of Human Civilization	3

REL 106 or REL 107	Asian Religions Jews, Christians, Muslims	3
SOC 130 or SOC 131	Comparative Societies Comparative Societies, Honors	3
ABSC 150	Community Leadership	3

Issues in Global Studies: (6 hours/2 courses). Minors must take 2 courses from an approved list of GIST courses focusing on contemporary global themes on subjects such as human trafficking, the global environment, terrorism, transnational migration and borders, global issues in gender, citizenship, indigenous peoples, the global economic system, and globalization. Courses offered as: GIST 550: Issues in Global Studies: _____ are always approved to fulfill this requirement.

Code	Title	Hours
Issues in Global Studies		6
GIST 305	World Indigenous Literatures	
GIST 306	Global Environmental Literature	
GIST 308	Key Themes in Modern Global History	
GIST 314	Globalization: History and Theory	
GIST 354	Globalization: A Geographic Approach	
GIST 371	Environmental Geopolitics	
GIST 465	Genocide and Ethnocide	
GIST 486	International Human Rights	
GIST 495	Global Internship	
GIST 529	Globalization	
GIST 550	Issues in Global Studies: _____	
GIST 560	The Literature of Human Rights	
GIST 570	Anthropology of Violence	
GIST 582	Geopolitics and Genocide	
GIST 601	Indigenous Peoples of the World	
GIST 667	Islam and Politics	
SOC 321	Wealth, Power, and Inequality	
SOC 425	Sociology of Global Health	
SOC 437	Global Ethnic and Racial Relations	
SOC 462	Violence and Society	
SOC 629	Sociology of Sport	

Global & International Studies International Electives. (6 hours/2 courses) Minors must take 2 courses from the list of approved international elective courses. Students are strongly encouraged to strategically select courses that would help them to maximize its linkage to another major or minor with another program, or use the electives to help fulfill requirements from the KU Core. Students may, however, select from any of the approved courses available.

The following list shows the most commonly taught approved international electives. To see a full list of approved courses for the international elective, consult our website (<https://global.ku.edu/gist-all-courses/>). Other courses may also be approved in consultation with the department.

Code	Title	Hours
AAAS 305	Modern Africa	
AAAS 372	Religion, Power, and Sexuality in Arab Societies	
AMS 332	The United States in Global Context	
ANTH 379	Indigenous Traditions of Latin America	
COMS 246	Introduction to Intercultural Communication	

ECIV 304	Eastern Civilizations
ECON 604	International Trade
EURS 604	The European Union
EVNR 320	Environmental Policy Analysis
FMS 313	History of the International Sound Film Post 1950
GEOG 370	Introduction to Cultural Geography
GEOG 553	Geography of African Development
GEOG 591	Geography of Latin America
GIST 325	Peoples and Cultures of South Asia
GIST 624	Social Movements in the Middle East
HIST 328	The Modern Middle East
HIST 398	Introduction to History of Japan: Anime to Zen
IBUS 410	Introduction to International Business
IBUS 480	International Management
LAC 100	Latin American Culture and Society
POLS 361	Politics of the Middle East
POLS 371	United States Foreign Policy
POLS 678	Chinese Foreign Policy
REES 110	Understanding Russia and Eastern Europe
REES 220	Societies and Cultures of Eurasia
REL 350	Islam
REL 507	Religion in India
SOC 312	Population and Society
SOC 321	Wealth, Power, and Inequality
WGSS 321	From Mystics to Feminists: Women's History in Europe 1600 to the Present

Minor Hours & Minor GPA

While completing all required courses, minors must also meet each of the following hour and GPA minimum standards:

Minor Hours

Satisfied by 18 hours of minor courses.

Overlapping Courses

Students in the GIST minor can overlap relevant coursework with other programs; however, in order to ensure interdisciplinary breadth, they can only take up to 3 courses offered or cross-listed by any single other academic program.

Minor Hours in Residence

Satisfied by a minimum of 9 hours of KU resident credit in the minor.

Minor Junior/Senior Hours

Satisfied by a minimum of 12 hours from junior/senior courses (300+) in the minor.

Minor Graduation GPA

Satisfied by a minimum of a 2.0 KU GPA in all departmental courses (300+) in the minor. GPA calculations include all courses in the field of study including F's and repeated courses. See the Semester/Cumulative GPA Calculator (<http://clas.ku.edu/undergrad/tools/gpa/>).