

Global Studies

Award Type: Associate in Arts

Global Studies is an interdisciplinary and cross-cultural approach to studying the trends of modern global society and events. Increasing connections and interdependencies among nations, institutions and peoples around the world direct our attention to globalization as a central phenomenon of the contemporary era. The goal of the Global Studies program is to provide students with a strong base of knowledge, methods and practical skills for the comparative analysis of social, political, economic, environmental and cultural dimensions of globalization processes. The articulated transfer major will prepare students for further studies toward a baccalaureate degree in international/global studies.

The graduate of the Associate in Arts in Global Studies will:

- Analyze important globalizing trends and their impact on the world's cultures and the environment.
- Explain transnational economic processes affecting global decisions and events.
- Understand how globalization is affecting multiculturalism and the processes causing contemporary cultures to change.
- Explore the changing nature of political organizations and non-governmental organizations in the modern world system.
- Analyze the interdependence among people, groups, societies, governments and nations in finding solutions to current global problems and conflicts.
- Describe core civic values which generate socially responsible behavior at both local and global levels.

Program Requirements

A major of 34 units is required for the degree. Required core courses (18 units)

Course Number	Course Title	Units
BUS 141	Global Economics	3.0
	or	
ECON 141	Global Economics	3.0
	or	
GBST 141	Global Economics	3.0
ECON 102	Principles of Micro-Economics	3.0
GEOG 103	World Regional Geography	3.0
GBST 101	Introduction to Global Studies	3.0
HIST 102	World Civilizations Since 1500	3.0
	or	
HUM 102	World Civilizations Since 1500	3.0
	or	
HIST 105	Western Civilization Since 1650	3.0
	or	
HUM 105	Western Civilization Since 1650	3.0
POLS 104	Introduction to International Relations	3.0

Plus 6 units selected from the following:

Course Number	Course Title	Units
ANTH 102	Introduction to Cultural Anthropology	3.0
BUS 140	Survey of International Business	3.0
ECON 101	Principles of Macro-Economics	3.0
PHIL 121	Religions of the Modern World	3.0
POLS 101	Introduction to Political Science	3.0

Plus a minimum of 10 units of French or Spanish selected from the following:

Course Number	Course Title	Units
FRCH 101	Elementary French I	5.0
FRCH 102	Elementary French II	5.0
SPAN 101	Elementary Spanish I	5.0
SPAN 102	Elementary Spanish II	5.0
SPAN 103	Intermediate Spanish I	5.0
SPAN 104	Intermediate Spanish II	5.0
SPAN 111	Intermediate Spanish Conversation	2.0

Recommended elective: a second year of foreign language.