

College and University Degree Requirements

This Major Concentration Program follows the new university-wide requirement of a minimum of 120 credit hours for a B.A. degree.

Curriculum

The major in International Affairs requires a total of 39 credit hours consisting of the following courses, some of which were developed by College of Arts & Sciences faculty specifically for this interdisciplinary program. Students who successfully complete the program will earn the degree of Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies: International Affairs.

INTERDISCIPLINARY FOUNDATION COURSES – 3 credits each (9 credits)

- *Introduction to International Affairs I*
- *Introduction to International Affairs II*
- *Research Methods in International Affairs*

CURRENT COAS CATALOGUE COURSES - 3 credits each (24 credits)

- AFRO 101—*Commercial Exploitation of the Third World*
- AFRO 103—*Programs for Economic Development*
- AFRO 163—*Black Experience in the Caribbean*
- AFRO197—*Pan African Thought and Politics*
- AFST 101—*African World: Introduction to Contemporary Africa*
- AFST 123— *Women in African Civilization and Traditions*
- AFST 124—*Globalization in Africa*
- AFST 125—*China and Africa*
- ECON 191—*International Economics*
- ECON 194—*Theories of Economic Development*
- HIST 111—*History of U.S. Foreign Relations to 1914*
- HIST 112—*History of U.S. Foreign Relations since 1914*
- HIST 156—*Seminar on United States Foreign Policy*
- PHIL 142—*Ethics and Public Policy*
- PHIL 148—*Environmental Ethics*
- PHIL 164 – *Current Topics: Philosophy and Ethics of Appropriate Technology and Development*
- PHIL 193—*Comparative Philosophy: Philosophical Explanations of Evil Across Cultures*
- POLS 008—*Political Economy*
- POLS 125—*Politics of the Third World*
- POLS 128 – *International Relations*
- POLS-159 – *Simulation of International Organizations.*
- POLS 170— *Government and Politics of Central America & the Caribbean*
- POLS-173 – *Government and Politics of Middle East and North Africa*
- POLS-176 – *Government in Politics in Tropical Africa*
- POLS-178 – *American Foreign Policy*

- POLS-195 – *Nationalism and Revolution*
- POLS-198 – *The United Nations and Regional Organizations*
- SOCI 133—*Women in Development*

NEW INTERDISCIPLINARY COURSES— (3 credits each).

Originally created by COAS interdisciplinary teams circa 2003, these courses are being revised for inclusion in the IAP curriculum.

- *Aesthetics and World Cultures*
- *Gender and International Development*
- *Global Economics*
- *Global Environment and International Community*
- *Global Health, Environment and Education*
- *Global Politics*
- *Global Sociocultural Dynamics*
- *International Peace and Conflict Resolution*
- *Universal Human Rights, Ethics, and Human Security*
- *Independent Study*
- *Capstone Seminar in International Affairs (3 credits)*

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS INTERNSHIP— (3 credits)

Completion of 150-200 hours in an international affairs related internship.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE

Successful completion of the major requires foreign language proficiency in a language other than the native tongue at the “Intermediate/Mid” level based on the Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI).

CAPSTONE SEMINAR IN INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS – (3 credits)

STUDY ABROAD

The Study Abroad program is administered by the Office of Study Abroad and is located at the Ralph J. Bunche International Affairs Center. Eligibility for study abroad is based on one year of residency at Howard University, sophomore or junior standing at the time of application, and a minimum 3.0 GPA. All courses taken overseas are for credit only.

MINOR IN INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS (18 credit hours)

The minor in International Affairs totals 18 credit hours: 1) Three interdisciplinary Foundation courses (*9 credits*); 2) Three disciplinary or interdisciplinary courses (*9 credits*); and 3) foreign language proficiency at the “Intermediate/Mid” level.