Global Cultures & Languages: Global Studies Option

Bachelor of Arts (BA)

With growing U.S. involvement in international markets and the increasingly global character of American society, understanding the interconnections between cultures becomes all the more crucial for success within the University and the world beyond. The critical thinking skills imparted by a degree option in Global Studies provide students with key tools for understanding places in the world within a broader context.

Global studies students learn about the language, history, culture and politics of a particular international area. The global studies option encourages students to expand their international awareness by providing national and global exposure to their career field. The global studies major also pairs well as a second major to other areas of study.

Global Cultures and Languages students will...

- Interact with qualified faculty in a small class environment.
- Gain knowledge from a broad interdisciplinary approach.
- Be prepared for graduate studies and entry-level positions in import/export, business, and government.
- Participate in life-changing study-abroad programs in countries such as China, Japan, France, Germany, Spain and Ecuador.

Career Planning

Career preparation is part of the mission of Southeast. 100% of programs offer our students an internship, study-abroad program, clinical opportunity, student teaching or research internship.

Currently, the majority of global cultures and languages graduates find employment or attend a graduate program within one year of graduation. They obtain jobs in teaching, public relations, travel and tourism, government agencies and non-profit/non-governmental organizations and/or go on to graduate programs for ESL, international business, geography, political science, law, etc.

The Office of Career Services in Academic Hall 057 can provide students with professional career counseling and coaching, resume critiques, practice interviews, job search strategies, career events, networking opportunities, and more.

Study Abroad Programs

You can study abroad to further develop your worldview. Possibilities include exchange programs with universities in Ecuador, France, Germany, Japan, Spain, and Taiwan and two-week programs in Ecuador, Germany, and Taiwan. The cost of these programs is similar to the educational costs at Southeast. If you would like additional information about these Study Abroad Programs or to communicate with other Southeast students who have previously experienced these Study Abroad opportunities, please, contact the department office.

Students in the Global Cultures and Languages program go on to apply their skills in a variety of ways. Here are what some of our graduates have to say:

“My degree from Southeast has given me the opportunities and tools necessary to succeed both in the workforce and in life. My undergraduate degree has made me competitive in the current job market, eligible for graduate study, and willing to set high standards in my future academic and professional endeavors.”

— Rachel Huebel-Picar, Southeast Class of 2010

“Getting a degree in global studies was a great excuse to follow my dream of going to another country. My time in Japan has changed my whole perception of the world. I will never forget the people I met and the places I've been in Japan. I wouldn't trade any of it for anything. I was very thankful to have great people from the global studies and other departments working behind the scenes to give me advice and help my study abroad run smoothly.”

— Brittany D. Taylor, Southeast Class of 2013

Transfer and Dual Credit Students

If you have dual credit or transfer credit, please visit our transfer course equivalencies guide at semo.edu/transfercredit.
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This is a guide based on the 2018-2019 Undergraduate Bulletin and is subject to change. The time it takes to earn a degree will vary based on several factors such as dual enrollment, remediation, and summer enrollment. Students will meet with an academic advisor each semester and use Degree Works to monitor their individual progress.

### CURRICULUM CHECKLIST

Global Cultures & Languages: Global Studies Option – 45 Hours – Minor Required

**Required courses:**
- AN101 Observing Other Cultures (3)
- AN181 Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (3)
- GG150 Peoples & Places of the World (3)
- PS104 Comparative Political Systems (3)
- 9 Hours of Same Foreign Language* (9)

**Choose 3 Hours From:**
- FR220 French Literature (3)*
- GN220 German Literature (3)*
- SN220 Hispanic Literature (3)*
- LI220 Fiction & the Human Experience (3)

*Language taken must match the track that is chosen.

Global Studies Option:

**Required Courses:**
- GG190 Cultural Geography (3)
- xx300-599 Study Abroad/Internship (3)
- Approved Upper Division Electives (6)**

**Choose 3 Hours From:**
- EH103 Modern European Civilization (3)
- WH103 Latin American Civilization (3)

**Choose One Language Track:**

French Track:
- xx300-599 Study Abroad in France (6)

German Track:
- EH616 History of Modern Germany (3)
- GN320 German Culture & Civilization (3)

Hispanic Track:
- WH520 Latin American Colonial History (3)
- WH524 History of Mexico Since 1910 (3)

**Choose 3 Hours From:**
- SN300 Spanish American Culture (3)
- SN306 Civilization of Spain (3)
- Study Abroad in Japan (6)

Japanese Track:
- xx300-599 Study Abroad in Japan (6)

**Additional requirements**

- University Studies Requirements – some requirements may be fulfilled by coursework in major program
  - Social and Behavioral Sciences – 3 hours
  - Constitution requirement – 3 hours
  - US History requirement – 3 hours
  - Written Communication – 6 hours
  - Oral Communication – 3 hours
  - Natural Sciences – 7 hours (from two disciplines, one to include a lab)
  - Mathematics – 3 hours
  - Humanities & Fine Arts – 9 hours (from at least two disciplines)
  - Additional requirements – 5 hours (to include UI110 for native students)

### SAMPLE FOUR-YEAR PLAN

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Degree requirements for all students: a minimum of 120 credit hours, completion of University Studies program, completion of 39 senior division hours (300-599), Writing Proficiency Exam (WP003), and completion of the Measure of Academic Proficiency and Progress (MAPPP) at the senior level. Refer to the Undergraduate Bulletin or Degree Works for additional graduation requirements for your program.

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