International Studies Major Outcomes

By the time they graduate, students who major in International Studies will be able to...

1. Demonstrate global awareness (by identifying characteristics of the world’s major regions, including the location of major countries, geographical features, religions, economic factors, conflicts, and languages).

2. Analyze a major region of the world (the Americas, Asia, Europe, Africa), taking into account its history, geography, economy, politics, current conflicts, cultures, communication, and languages.

3. Demonstrate research skills that utilize both quantitative and qualitative techniques, as well as the ability to report findings in written and oral formats. The research must be interdisciplinary.

4. Demonstrate the ability to thrive abroad, recognizing and negotiating issues related to communication, language, culture, and institutions. Said ability includes formal reflection on the experience of dealing with the issues enumerated.

5. Evaluate and explore professional avenues in various dimensions of International Studies. Evaluations/explorations must include analysis of...
   A. What organizations employ people in the chosen avenues,
   B. What people in the avenues actually do,
   C. The impact people in those avenues can have,
   D. Advantages and disadvantages of pursuing those avenues, and
   E. Employment requirements.

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