International Studies Program

Overview
International Studies (INTS) prepares students for international, bilingual, and cross-cultural careers in business, international organizations and the non-profit sector. INTS is a unique interdisciplinary program that draws on the rich offering of international courses in departments all across campus. Core courses in anthropology, economics, geography, history, and politics lay the foundation for electives in these and other fields such as communications, law, ethnic studies, sociology, women’s studies, and business.

INTS offers maximum flexibility and the opportunity for each student to personalize his or her education according to individual interest and career goals. The program encourages student initiative and exploration to develop a course of study that is at once fulfilling, academically rigorous, and which facilitates the transition to career choices. A strong advising program (an average of three contacts per year) ensures that students are taking the courses and getting the tutoring they need.

All students achieve competency in a language other than English; many start a third or fourth language. Forty percent of INTS students participate in study abroad. All others perform internships either locally or overseas. Most INTS students are active in the programs at the International House, or belong to one of the many international clubs on campus. Graduating students report a high level of satisfaction with the program. In the 2007 exit survey, all graduating seniors praised the program, crediting the INTS major with helping them improve their academic skills and achieving their personal goals.

Career Opportunities
The INTS major enriches the global understanding of students seeking any career path. Many INTS graduates seek employment in rapidly expanding international careers. They gain the extra edge that foreign language competency and international experience provide. Companies in every country are going global and seek employees with international perspectives. Some students are dedicated to careers in the growing non-profit humanitarian field. Others seek careers in international organizations or in diplomacy. Recent graduates have worked in the computer industry, in translation services, for cultural and environmental organizations, in banking, tourism, teaching and for a variety of humanitarian and human rights organizations. Others pursue graduate studies in international relations, regional studies, business, international policy studies or law.

Most Popular Emphasis
International Business and Economics, International Organizations and Law, Cross-cultural Studies, Comparative Studies, Global Environment, International Women’s Studies, Human Rights, Latin America, Middle East and Africa, Asia

Scholarships and Awards
- Travel stipends for international internships
- INTS Student Leadership Award
- Subsidized study abroad in Korea and Germany

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Community Outreach

- International Studies Student Organization fair trade campaign
- Lectures on International Studies and visits to community colleges
- Community service internships with human rights, immigrant services, refugee settlement, peace and justice, fair trade, educational exchange, and international diplomacy organizations.

Recent Achievements

Student and Alumni

Twenty percent of alums attend graduate school, law school, or MBA programs.

- Marie-Claude Arnott, '03, is a freelance journalist in Vancouver, Canada.
- Jessica Burt is enrolled in the Hastings College of Law.
- Nathan Failing, '00, works for International Educational Tours.
- Matthew Fialho, '02, is in real estate investment management in Marin County, CA, and attended the University of California Public Policy and International Affairs Summer Institute.
- Raymond Fraters, '01, is an English teacher in Kyoto, Japan.
- Yuki Kusunoki works for the Washington Center Internship Program.
- Mihaela Muntean, '02, is a property manager.
- Mohamet Lamine Ndiaye, '00, works for Oxfam in West Africa.
- Rhezelie Ng, '05, teaches English in Beijing, China.
- Frank Noey, '03, is a legal officer in the U.S. Navy.
- Luis Ojeda, '01, does management reporting and analysis for Charles Schwab, and was a Fulbright Scholar in Spain.
- Itsuyo Oshiba, '05, works for the European Aeronautics, Defense, and Space Company.
- Rica Piercy is doing a health care internship in Budapest, Hungary.
- Hope Rabah is doing a business internship with Tunisie Nouvelles Technologies in Tunisia.
- Tricia Ruiz, '05, is in the Ph.D. program at the University of Washington.
- Yuliya Zabyelina works for the Parliamentary Internship Program in the Ukraine.

Faculty

- Vahid Fozdar, Ph.D., is an Associate Professor of History, specializing in Modern South Asia, Modern Colonialism, and the Middle East.
- L. Iliana Holbrook, Ph.D., is a Professor of Modern Languages and Literatures, specializing in Spanish, Spanish-American, Literature and Culture. She published Historical Metafiction: The New Historical Novel in Latin America (July 2009).
- Laurie J. Price, Ph.D., Professor of Anthropology, is a medical anthropologist with training in both cultural and applied approaches. She has published articles on graduate-level training in applied anthropology, AIDS treatment in the US, and illness management, social alliance, and cultural identity in Ecuador. Her current research is on ethnomedical traditions in the Bay Area.
- Carlos Salomon, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Ethnic Studies, specializes in borderlands history, Latin American immigration, transnational culture, oral history and indigenous studies.