

The School of Liberal Arts

International Development

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COORDINATE MAJOR

The major in International Development must be coordinated with a separate major in a traditional discipline. This traditional discipline is the primary major which determines whether a student earns a B.A. or a B.S. degree. The coordinate major in International Development provides students with an education firmly rooted in the liberal arts tradition, while also providing them with a focused and international framework for analysis of current international events. A student in the ID program will graduate with a sophisticated understanding of contemporary global issues, especially as they pertain to the developing world.

International Development is a social science that embraces the theory and practice of improving the quality of life of people in the developing world. The program emphasizes a comprehensive approach to standard international development analysis by incorporating not just economic, but social, environmental, and cultural dimensions as well. ID, as a field of study, is relatively new. It emerged from critiques of post-World War II programs designed to alleviate poverty and promote economic, democratic and social development in second and third world countries after independence. ID studies, therefore, promote a cross-disciplinary understanding of economics, sociology, political science, anthropology and language, among others. Courses will be taken in various departments in the Liberal Arts and Sciences as well as in at the Payson Center for International Development and Technology Transfer.

Students will declare the major with a member of the faculty. Faculty will meet with students in the program at least once a semester to discuss their degree status in order to ensure progress

toward the completion of the degree. Students will then have the option of choosing from one of several thematic tracks listed below. The core curriculum will provide students with a comprehensive understanding of world issues and the appropriate foundation to design the rest of their program.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS (*minimum 33 credit hours*)

18 credits required from the International Development curriculum

6 credits required of a foreign language (at or above 203 level)**

9 credits required for “concentration” studies (at least one course at the 600 level or above)

** *The number of required credits will vary depending on participation in summer, semester or year abroad study programs.*

MINOR REQUIREMENTS (*18 credit hours*)

INDV 101 Introduction to International Development

ECON 101 Introductory Microeconomics

ECON 102 Introductory Macroeconomics

INDV 320 Approaches to Sustainable Development

INDV 410 Information Technology and International Development

INDV 490 International Development Capstone Seminar

REQUIRED COURSES FOR THE MAJOR

I. International Development (18 credits)

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II. Foreign Language (6 credits)

6 credits required of a foreign language (at or above 203 level)

We strongly encourage students to study a foreign language abroad in a summer, semester or year-long program. Depending on program participation, the number of credits for a foreign language will vary. The goal is a spoken proficiency in a foreign language, preferably one that is spoken in many countries of the developing world (e.g. French, Spanish, Portuguese, Mandarin, etc). Spoken proficiency is defined according to criteria established by ACTFL and the Payson Center. Students may be tested to establish proficiency. Students who do not study abroad must take at least 6 credits of a foreign language at or above the 203 level. Students who enter into the program already fluent in a foreign language may test out of this requirement although they will be encouraged to attempt a third language.

III. One of the following Concentrations (9 credits)

Social Issues in Development Track

- ANTH 338 Cultural Dynamics
- ANTH 339 Peasant Society and Culture
- COMM 464 Communication and Culture in the Caribbean
- HISB 312 West African Culture and Society
- HISB 607 Africa and Gender Theory
- HISB 611 Colonialism, Freedom, and the Problem of Difference
- PHIL 334 Humanities Place in Nature
- PHIL 652 Environmental Ethics
- SOCI 160 Environmental Sociology
- SOCI 690 Sociology of Development in Latin America
- SOCI 694 Political Sociology of Latin America
- SOCI 696 Urban Latin America

Geo-Politics of Development Track

- COMM 450 Political Communication
- ECON 359 Economic Development of Latin America
- ECON 365 Agricultural and Rural Development in Latin America
- ECON 374 Asia-Pacific Economic Development

- ECON 466 Seminar on Latin American Economies
 - ENHS 675 Politics and Environmental Policies
 - PECN 301 Introduction to Political Economy
 - POLC 335 Latin American Governments
 - POLC 338 Asian Governments
 - POLI 461 Africa in International Politics
 - PECN 600 Major Seminar
 - POLC 641 Approaches to Latin American Politics
 - POLI 642 Global Environmental Politics
 - POLI 651 International Politics
 - SOCI 690 Sociology of Development in Latin America
 - SOCI 694 Political Sociology of Latin America
 - SOCI 696 Urban Latin America
- Information Technology, Education and Development Track*
- INDV 635 Information Systems for Developing Countries
 - INDV 650 Learning How To Learn With Technology
 - INDV 663 Information Technology Assisted Individual and Organizational Learning
 - COMM 281 Introduction to Communication on the Internet
 - COMM 460 Intercultural Communication
 - COMM 482 New Technologies
 - INDV 450 Intro to Geographic Information Systems: Applications for International Development
 - ISDS 473 Database Management
 - ISDS 478 Information Systems
 - ISDS 480 Intranets and Extranets
- Environment and Development Track*
- ANTH 370 Ecological Anthropology
 - ANTH 371 Historical Ecology of Amazonia
 - COMM 351 Environmental Communication

ECON 333 Environmental Economics
EBIO 211 Tropical Biology
EBIO 318 Plants and Human Affairs
EBIO 404 General Ecology
EBIO 408 Biostatistics and Experimental Design
EBIO 621 Global Biogeochemical Cycles
ENHS 668 Risk Communication
ENHS 675 Politics and Environmental Policies
ENST 481 Special Topics
HISE 323 The Chernobyl Catastrophe
PHIL 652 Environmental Ethics
POLC 434 Latin American Environmental Politics
POLI 642 Global Environmental Politics
SOCIO 160 Environmental Sociology
SOCIO 628 Comparative Latin American Demography

Gender Issues in Development Track

COMM 460 Intercultural Communication
COMM 462 Communication, Women, and Development in the Caribbean
HCED 618 Gender, Race and Ethnicity in Health Education
HCED 682 Maternal and Child Health Education
HISB 607 Women in Africa
HISL 328 Women in Latin American History
SOCIO 606 Issues in the Sociology of Gender

Geographic Area Concentrations

Asia

ANTH 307 Contemporary Chinese Society
ANTH 316 Peoples of the Pacific
ASTA 318 Peoples of South Asia

ASTA 391 Special Offerings in Asian Studies
ECON 374 Asia-Pacific Economic Development
POLC 338 Asian Governments
Africa
ADST 320 Issues in African Studies
ANTH 311 Cultures of Sub-Saharan Africa
HISB 312 West African Culture and Society
HISB 607 Africa and Gender Theory
HISB 611 Colonialism, Freedom, and the Problem of Difference
POLI 461 Africa in International Politics

Latin America

ANTH 306 South American Indians
ANTH 618 Middle American Indians
ECON 359 Economic Development of Latin America
ECON 466 Seminar on Latin American Economies
HISL 372 Seminar: Modern Latin America
HISL 685 United States-Latin American Relations
POLC 335 Latin American Governments
POLC 336 Environmental Politics of Latin America
POLC 641 Approaches to Latin American Politics
SOCIO 690 Sociology of Development in Latin America
SOCIO 694 Political Sociology of Latin America
SOCIO 696 Urban Latin America

Appropriate Elective Courses Within the Major:

COMM 421 Persuasion
ECON 333 Environmental Economics
ECON 337 The World Economy
EENS 111 Physical Geology
EENS 202 Environmental Geology

EENS 204 Natural Disasters

EENS 206 Introductory Geography

EENS 603 Environmental Methods

EENS 630 Groundwater Hydrology

EENS 668 Volcanology

EBIB 201 Evolution in Human Health and Disease

EBIB 204 Conservation of Biological Diversity

EEOB 245 Darwinian Medicine

ENHS 668 Risk Communication

ENST 481 Special Topics

HISE 323 The Chernobyl Catastrophe

INDV 101 Introduction to Development (3)

Staff. This course is designed to give the students a broad-based understanding of the international issues and the goals and methods of international development since World War II.

INDV 320 Approaches to Sustainable Development (3)

Staff. Prerequisites: INDV 101, ECON 101 and 102. This course is designed to examine the impact of macroeconomic policy and political structure on environment, gender, communications, modernization and cultural change, basic needs, democratization, and appropriate technologies.

INDV 410 Information Technology and International Development (3)

Staff. This course is designed to introduce students to contemporary issues in information technology pertaining to international development and to understand its impact by investigating the existence, importance, and direction of information technology in the developing world.

INDV 490 International Development Capstone Seminar (3)

Staff. Prerequisites: INDV 101, ECON 101, 102, and INDV 320. This course is designed to give students the opportunity to develop the leadership and management skills necessary for International Development policy and field work.

INDV 491, 492 Independent Study (3, 3)

Staff. Open to upper-level students with approval of instructor.

INDV 495 Special Topics (3)

Staff. Courses offered by visiting professors or permanent faculty. For specific offering, see the *Schedule of Classes*. For description, consult the program administrator.

† *By special permission.*