College of Arts and Sciences

A new undergraduate major at SIUE: International Studies

International Studies is an interdisciplinary degree program designed to help students reflect on and engage in the complex social, political, economic and cultural interrelations that exist among nations and regions of our increasingly globalized world. The program offers a broad range of curricular options allowing students to explore, in regards to various peoples and across populations, aspects related to geography, history, religion, government, trade, communication, languages and literatures, music and arts, social justice, and environmental challenges. Students in the program will learn critical and analytical problem-solving skills that they can apply to contemporary global issues.

Students declaring a major in International Studies must select one of the three concentration areas and a minor.

Concentration Areas

- International Relations and Diplomacy
- International Art, Culture and Communication
- International Development and Sustainability

The interdisciplinary major requires students to complete four core courses, six credit hours of international travel study, and electives chosen from an array of academic areas. An internship and an independent project with international focus are highly encouraged as major electives.

Possible job titles for graduates include: foreign service specialist; human rights advocate; lobbyist; legislative aid; Peace Corps officer; support service provider for humanitarian agencies in the U.S. and internationally; and business consultant in international firms.

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