

An interdepartmental program

International Studies

Courses of Study:
Minor

Objectives

The undergraduate International Studies Program (ISP) is designed to familiarize students with the basic characteristics of the international system and to permit them to explore particular aspects of that system in greater depth. ISP encompasses interactions among national governments, international institutions, and international private actors, as well as the effects of those interactions on the economy, populace, and society within nations. ISP therefore deals with the interactions (or "feedback effects") between the domestic and international environments, as well as the interdependence between states.

How to Become a Minor

Please note that admission to this program has been suspended. Refer to International and Global Studies Program elsewhere in this *Bulletin*.

Committee

Steven Burg, Director
(Politics)

Requirements for the Minor

Participants in the minor will be expected to meet the following requirements:

A. Satisfactory completion of the International System grouping: POL 15a (Introduction to International Relations); LGLS 125b (International Law, Organizations, and Conflict Resolution) *or* POL 172b (Introduction to International Political Economy); and *either* POL 160b (World Politics since 1945), *or* HIST 137a (Evolution of the International System, 1815 to the Present).

B. Satisfactory completion of three additional courses within a second thematic grouping of courses, except for the International Economics grouping which requires completion of four courses. (Note: The list of groupings and courses given below is not comprehensive. Students may offer other relevant courses with permission of the program director.)

C. Three of the courses submitted to fulfill the requirements of the minor must be from outside the student's major.

D. No course offered in the fulfillment of ISP minor may be taken pass/fail.

E. Students must complete a substantial research paper, usually in connection with one of the elective courses completed as part of the program on a topic approved by the program chair. The paper must be read and approved by one member of the program faculty in addition to the course instructor. (The course instructor remains solely responsible for grading of the paper with respect to the course.) The research paper is to be undertaken only after completion of at least four program courses, usually in the junior or senior year. A senior honors thesis completed in a department may, if appropriate, be used to fulfill this requirement.

Courses of Instruction

International System

HIST 137a

Evolution of the International System, 1815 to the Present

LGLS 125b

International Law, Organizations, and Conflict Resolution

POL 15a

Introduction to International Relations

POL 160b

World Politics since 1945

Africa

AAAS 80a

Economy and Society in Africa

AAAS 85a

Survey of Southern African History

AAAS 163b

Africa in World Politics

AAAS 164a

Changing Institutions of Contemporary Africa

ANTH 133a

Tradition and the Contemporary Experience in Sub-Saharan Africa

Asia

ECON 27b

The Economy of Japan

HIST 80b

East Asia in the Nineteenth and Twentieth Centuries

POL 133a

Japanese Political Economy

POL 134b

Japan and the World

POL 147a

The Government and Politics of China

POL 148b

Contemporary Chinese Politics

POL 150a

Politics of Southeast Asia

POL 178a

International Politics of the Pacific

Europe

HIST 52b

Europe from 1789 to the Present

HIST 134b

Nineteenth-Century Europe: Nationalism, Imperialism, Socialism (1850-1919)

HIST 142b

Europe since 1945

NEJS 168b

Jews in East-Central Europe, 1914-Present

POL 11b

Introduction to Comparative Government: Europe

POL 129a

East European Politics

POL 153a

The New Europe: European Economic and Political Integration

POL 156b

West European Political Systems

POL 157b

Building a New Europe: Politics, Economics, Societies, and Culture

Latin America**AAAS 167a**

African and Caribbean Comparative Political Systems

ECON 26a

Latin America's Economy

HIST 71b

Latin American History, 1870 to the Present

POL 144a

Latin American Politics I

POL 144b

Latin American Politics II

POL 145b

Topics in Latin American Politics

SOC 125b

U.S.-Caribbean Relations

Middle East**AAAS 175a**

Comparative Politics of North Africa

NEJS 143b

The World of Shi'i Islam

NEJS 145b

The Making of the Modern Middle East

POL 146b

Revolutions in the Third World

SOC 157a

Sociology of the Israeli-Palestinian Confrontation

Conflict and Conflict Resolution**LGLS 130a**

Conflict Analysis and Intervention

POL 128b

The Politics of Revolution

POL 161b

Causes and Prevention of War

POL 176a

Seminar: International Crisis Management, Interaction, and Peacekeeping

SOC 157a

Sociology of the Israeli-Palestinian Confrontation

Development**AAAS 126b**

Political Economy of the Third World

AAAS 158a

Theories of Development and Underdevelopment

ANTH 55a

Models of Development: Third World

ANTH 163b

Economic Anthropology: Production and Distribution

ANTH 164a

Topics in Economic Anthropology

ECON 175a

Introduction to the Economics of Development

PHSC 4a

Science and Development

POL 175b

Global Civil Society

POL 180b

Sustaining Development

SOC 107a

Global Apartheid and Global Social Movements

SOC 112a

Topics on Women and Development

SOC 171a

Women Leaders and Transformation in Developing Countries

Environmental and Population Issues**AAAS 60a**

Economics of Third World Hunger

ANTH 20b

The Development of Human Food Production

BISC 2a

Human Reproduction, Population Explosion, Global Consequences

CHSC 3a

The Planet as an Organism: Gaia Theory and the Human Prospect

POL 179a

Politics and Hunger

SOC 175b

Environmental Sociology

Ethnicity and Human Rights**AAAS 116b**

Comparative Race and Ethnic Relations

ANTH 139b

Language, Ethnicity, and Nationalism

POL 127b

Managing Ethnic Conflict

POL 163a

Human Rights and International Relations

International Economics**ECON 2a** (required)

Introduction to Economics

ECON 8b (required)

Analysis of Economic Problems

ECON 33a

Business in the Global Economy

ECON 60b

The Economics of International Trade Disputes

ECON 160a

International Trade Theory

ECON 161a

International Finance

ECON 175a

Introduction to the Economics of Development

International Political Economy**AAAS 126b**

Political Economy of the Third World

POL 166b

Issues in International Political Economy

POL 172b

Introduction to International Political Economy

POL 175b

Global Civil Society

Technology and Society**AAAS 117a**

Communications and Social Change in Developing Nations

HIST 131b

Science and Technology in the Twentieth Century

PHSC 4a

Science and Development

PHSC 7b

Technology and the Management of Public Risk

SOC 174b

Nature and Technology

Women in Society**HIST 139a**

Women, Gender, and Family

POL 159a

The Politics of the Modern Welfare State: Women, Workers, and Social Citizenship

SOC 112a

Topics on Women and Development

SOC 171a

Women Leaders and Transformation in Developing Countries

WMNS 195b

Woman's Voice in the Muslim World

An interdepartmental program

Internet Studies

Courses of Study:

Minor

Objectives

The Internet provides powerful tools to change how we work, how we play, how we learn, how we live. Its significance may well rival that of the printing press and of writing itself, with a timetable that is enormously accelerated. By supporting rapid and cheap communications it has fostered a truly global economic system and transformed societies throughout the world. The program in Internet Studies affords opportunities for students and faculty members to study the evolution of this revolutionary technology and its pervasive political, economic, cultural, and artistic ramifications in a multidisciplinary framework. It highlights the socioeconomic forces that shape the Internet and the global response to it and helps students to frame the information revolution in critical perspective. The program's interdisciplinary approach adds an important liberal arts perspective for students whose focus is primarily technical and supplies the essential technical component for students whose primary interests lie in the realm of social, humanities, and artistic concerns.

How to Become a Minor

The program is open to all Brandeis undergraduates. To enroll in the program, consult with a member of the Internet Studies Program committee and fill out declaration forms from the Office of Academic Affairs. Students who complete the requirements of the program receive Internet studies certificates and notations on their transcripts.

Committee

Timothy Hickey, Chair
(Computer Science)

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(Fine Arts)

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(Economics)

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(American Studies)

Benjamin Gomes-Casseres
(Brandeis International Business School)

Caren Irr
(English and American Literature)

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(Anthropology)

Requirements for the Program

Students must complete six courses. Students may "double count" only two courses toward their major and this program.

A. Two core courses: COSI 2a (Introduction to Computers) and COSI 33b (Internet and Society). Computer science majors may substitute COSI 21a for COSI 2a.

B. Three elective courses from the program listing. The list of approved elective courses will change from year to year as the departments, the Internet, and society changes.

C. One senior research course: an independent study, internship, or senior honors thesis in the student's major (with an emphasis on some aspect of Internet studies as approved by a member of the program's faculty), or a senior seminar in Internet studies if offered.

Courses of Instruction

(1-99) Primarily for Undergraduate Students

INET 92a and b Internship in Internet Studies

Signature of Professor Hickey required.
Usually offered every year.
Staff

INET 97a and b Senior Seminar

Signature of the instructor required.
Usually offered every third year.
Staff

INET 98a and b Independent Study

Signature of the instructor required.
Usually offered every year.
Staff

Core Courses
COSI 2a

Introduction to Computers

COSI 33b

Internet and Society

SOC 116b

Sociology and the Internet

Elective Courses

The following courses approved for the program. Not all given in any one year. Please consult the *Course Schedule* each semester.

AMST 131b

News on Screen

AMST 134b

The New Media in America

ANTH 138a

Social Relations in Cyberspace

ANTH 174b

Virtual Communities

BUS 40a

(formerly IEF 148a)
Business on the Internet

COSI 11a

Programming in Java and C

COSI 125a

Human Computer Interaction

ECON 141b

Technological and Economic Change

ENG 101b

Cyber-Theory

FA 20b

Introduction to Visual Culture

LGLS 129b

Law, Technology, and Innovation

LGLS 150a

Law and Society in Cyberspace

SOC 116b

Sociology and the Internet

An interdepartmental program

Islamic and Middle Eastern Studies

Courses of Study:
Minor
Major (B.A.)

Objectives

The Islamic and Middle Eastern Studies (IMES) major is an interdisciplinary curriculum sponsored by the Department of Near Eastern and Judaic Studies in conjunction with the faculty from several other departments. It is designed to provide a strong foundation in Middle Eastern studies with a specialized knowledge of Islam. The major requires students to take elective courses from the departments represented by the faculty committee. Key contributing departments, in addition to Near Eastern and Judaic Studies, include politics, history, economics, sociology, African and Afro-American studies, and anthropology. With a solid training in language, political theory and praxis, history, economics, sociology, and anthropology, the major is especially appropriate for students wishing to pursue graduate work, particularly in the field of Middle Eastern studies, or for those who wish to pursue careers dealing directly or indirectly with the Middle East.

How to Become a Major or Minor

Students who wish to major in Islamic and Middle Eastern Studies must take the core course in Islamic civilization (IMES 104a) and at least two full years of a Middle Eastern language. The two years of language may be comprised of either two years of Arabic or, alternatively, one year of Arabic and one year of another Middle Eastern language such as Persian, Turkish, or Hebrew. Students who are fluent in Arabic, Persian, or Turkish may be exempted from the language requirements for a major in IMES upon approval by the chair of IMES. In addition, with the goal of achieving a balanced understanding of the overall field of study, the student must take two courses in the classical period and two courses in the modern as well as three courses to be chosen from the wide intellectual variety of elective courses. One of the three elective courses may be Arabic 40, which also counts as part of the two years of language requirements. Study in the Middle East for a term or a year is encouraged. As a culmination of the student's education, he or she is encouraged to write a senior thesis with emphasis on some aspects of Islamic and Middle Eastern studies.

Committee
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(Classical Studies)

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Requirements for the Major

A. Either four semesters of Arabic (usually ARBC 10a, 20b, 30a, and 40b) or two semesters of Arabic and two semesters of another Middle Eastern language such as Persian, Turkish, or Hebrew. Students who are fluent in Arabic, Persian, or Turkish may be exempted from the language requirements upon approval by the chair of IMES.

B. Core course: IMES 104a (Islam: Civilization and Institutions).

C. Two courses pertaining to the classical period (e.g., ARBC 103a, 103b [formerly NEJS 103a, 103b], NEJS 144a, 186a [formerly NEJS 129a], 186b [formerly 129a], 188a [formerly NEJS 147a]).

D. Two courses pertaining to the modern period (e.g., 145a [formerly 157a], 185b [formerly 145b], 187a [formerly 148a], NEJS 187b [formerly 143b], 188b [formerly 146b], 189a [formerly 147b], 189b [formerly 161b], 197b, 291a [formerly 209a], 285a [formerly 235a], SOC 157a, WMNS 195b [formerly NEJS 195b]).

E. Three additional courses from the list of electives below.

Courses of Instruction

(1-99) Primarily for Undergraduate Students

IMES 98a Independent Study

Signature of the instructor required.
Usually offered every year.
Staff

IMES 98b Independent Study

Signature of the instructor required.
Usually offered every year.
Staff

IMES 99d Senior Research

Signature of the instructor required.
Usually offered every year.
Staff

(100-199) For Both Undergraduate and Graduate Students

IMES 104a Islam: Civilization and Institutions

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Provides a disciplined study of Islamic civilization from its origins to the current state of affairs. Approaches the study from a humanities perspective. Topics covered will include the Qur'an, tradition, law, theology, politics, Islam and other religions, modern developments, women in Islam, and Islam and Middle-Eastern politics. Usually offered every second year. Last offered in the fall of 2002.
Staff

Elective Courses

The following courses are approved for the program. Not all are given in any one year. Please consult the *Course Schedule* each semester.

AAAS 60a

Economics of Third World Hunger

AAAS 80a

Economy and Society in Africa

AAAS 123a

Third World Ideologies

AAAS 126b

Political Economy of the Third World

AAAS 163b

Africa in World Politics

AAAS 175a

Comparative Politics of North Africa

ANTH 80a

World Religions

ANTH 118b

Peoples and Societies of the Middle East

ANTH 133a

Tradition and the Contemporary Experience in Sub-Saharan Africa

ANTH 154b

Selected Topics in Comparative Religion: Seminal Works in the Study of Religion

ARBC 103a and b

(formerly NEJS 103a and b)
Advanced Literary Arabic

ECON 122b

Economics of the Middle East

ECON 175a

Introduction to the Economics of Development

Requirements for the Minor

A. Two semesters of a Middle Eastern language.

B. Core course: IMES 104a (Islam: Civilization and Institutions).

C. At least one course pertaining to the classical period from the following electives: ARBC 103a and b (formerly NEJS 103a and b), 144a, 188a (formerly 147a).

D. At least one course pertaining to the modern period from the following electives: NEJS 145a (formerly 157a), 185b (formerly 145b), 186a (formerly 129a), 186b (formerly 129a), 187a (formerly 148a), 187b (formerly 143b), 189a (formerly 147b), 189b (formerly 161b), 197b, SOC 157a, WMSN 195b (formerly NEJS 195b).

E. Two additional courses from the list of electives below.

HIST 110a

The Civilization of the Early Middle Ages

HIST 110b

The Civilization of the High and Late Middle Ages

HIST 112b

The Crusades and the Expansion of Medieval Europe

HIST 134b

Nineteenth-Century Europe: Nationalism, Imperialism, Socialism (1850-1919)

HIST 137a

Evolution of the International System, 1815 to the Present

HIST 142b

Europe Since 1945

HIST 148b

Central Asia in Modern Times

HIST 186a

World War II

NEJS 108b

Comparative Grammar of Semitic Languages

NEJS 113b

Near Eastern Law: Source, Sense, and Society

NEJS 114b

Biblical Ritual and Cult

NEJS 129a

Biblical Narratives in the Qur'an

NEJS 130a

The New Testament: A Historical Introduction

- NEJS 144a**
Jews in the World of Islam
- NEJS 145a**
(formerly NEJS 157a)
History of the State of Israel Since 1948
- NEJS 174a**
Promise and Fulfillment: Israeli Life in Hebrew Literature
- NEJS 185a**
Topics in Israeli Social History
- NEJS 185b**
(formerly NEJS 145b)
The Making of the Modern Middle East
- NEJS 186a**
(formerly NEJS 110a)
Introduction to the Qur'an
- NEJS 186b**
(formerly NEJS 129a)
Biblical Narratives in the Qur'an
- NEJS 187a**
(formerly NEJS 148a)
Radical Islam
- NEJS 187b**
(formerly NEJS 143b)
Shi'ism and Political Protest in the Middle East
- NEJS 188a**
(formerly NEJS 147a)
The Rise and Decline of the Ottoman Empire, 1300-1800
- NEJS 188b**
(formerly NEJS 146b)
The Destruction of the Ottoman Empire, 1800-1923
- NEJS 189a**
(formerly NEJS 147b)
The Arab-Israeli Conflict
- NEJS 189b**
(formerly NEJS 161b)
The Monument and the City
- NEJS 194a**
Civil Society in the Middle East
- NEJS 195a**
Military and Politics in the Middle East
- NEJS 196a**
Marriage, Divorce, and Sexual Ethics in Islamic Law
- NEJS 197b**
Political Cultures of the Middle East
- NEJS 285a**
(formerly NEJS 235a)
Social History of the Middle East
- NEJS 287a**
(formerly NEJS 240b)
Nationalism and Religion in the Middle East
- NEJS 289a**
(formerly NEJS 245b)
States and Minorities in the Middle East
- NEJS 291a**
(formerly NEJS 209a)
History and Memory in the Middle East
- NEJS 293a**
(formerly NEJS 217b)
Question of Palestine
- POL 128a**
The Politics of Revolution: State Violence and Popular Insurgency in the Third World
- SOC 119a**
War and Possibilities of Peace
- SOC 157a**
Sociology of the Israeli-Palestinian Confrontation
- SOC 171a**
Women Leaders and Transformation in Developing Countries
- SOC 175b**
Environmental Sociology
- WMNS 195b**
(formerly NEJS 195b)
The Woman's Voice in the Muslim World