About this Minor . . .

The International Studies Minor recognizes the complex interconnections between academic disciplines, peoples in cultural contexts, and opportunities for social and economic advancement for our graduates.

Students from a wide variety of disciplines can supplement their major in business, social sciences, natural sciences or humanities with an international focus through this minor. This will help them to understand the changing nature of their field while making their degree more marketable in a global workforce.

Students choose from a menu of options drawn from disciplines across the campus. The interdisciplinary nature of the international studies minor is essential for preparing our students to enter into the new global marketplace of ideas and goods. Students taking the International Studies Minor are encouraged to enhance their experience at Mesa State by participating in a variety of Study Abroad opportunities available while attending MSC.

POLICIES:
1. It is your responsibility to determine whether you have met the requirements for your degree. Please see the MSC Catalog for a complete list of graduation requirements.
2. You must turn in your “Intent to Graduate” form to the Registrar’s Office by September 15 if you plan to graduate the following May, and by February 15 if you plan to graduate the following December.
3. This program sheet must be submitted with your graduation planning sheet to your advisor during the semester prior to the semester of graduation, no later than October 1 for spring graduates, no later than March 1 for fall graduates.
4. Your advisor will sign and forward the Program Sheet and Graduation Planning Sheet to the Department Head for signature.
5. Finally, the Department Head or the department administrative assistant will take the signed forms to the Registrar’s Office. (Students cannot handle the forms once the advisor signs.)
6. If your petition for graduation is denied, it will be your responsibility to reapply for graduation in a subsequent semester. Your “Intent to Graduate” does not automatically move to a later graduation date.
7. NOTE: The semester before graduation, you may be required to take a Major Field Achievement Test (exit exam).

NAME: ______________________________________ STUDENT ID # ______________________________________

LOCAL ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER: ____________________________________________________________

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I, (Signature) ______________________________________, hereby certify that I have completed (or will complete) all the courses listed on the Program Sheet. I further certify that the grade listed for those courses is the final course grade received except for the courses in which I am currently enrolled and the courses which I complete next semester. I have indicated the semester in which I will complete these courses.

Signature of International Studies Advisor ________________________________ Date ________________________________

Signature of Department Head ________________________________ Date ________________________________

Signature of Registrar ________________________________ Date ________________________________

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1. At least 33 percent of the credit hours required for the minor must be in courses numbered 300 or above.
2. A GPA of 2.00 or higher in the minor is required.
3. The number of minors a student may receive at Mesa State College shall not exceed two.

**REQUIRED COURSES (24 semester hours)**

FLA 211 First semester of a second-year language (3)
Select at least one course from each of the categories below (15 hours). The remaining 6 hours may be selected from any category or combination of categories listed, or they may be met through a pre-approved study abroad program. At least 9 hours must be 300 level or higher. Please note that some of the upper division courses have prerequisites.

1. **Business**
   - BUGB 401 International Business (3)
   - ECON 201 Principles of Macroeconomics (3)
   - ECON 342 Intermediate Macroeconomics (3)
   - ECON 420 International Economics (3)
   - FINA 431 International Financial Management (3)
   - MARK 231 Principles of Marketing (3)

2. **History**
   - HIST 102 Western Civilization (3)
   - HIST 301 History of England Since 1485 (3)
   - HIST 306 History of South and Southeast Asia (3)
   - HIST 310 Latin American Civilization (3)
   - HIST 331 The Twentieth Century (3)
   - HIST 340 History of the Islamic World (3)
   - HIST 403 East Asia and the Modern World (3)

3. **Languages and Literature**
   - ENGL 231 Non-Western World Literature I (3)
   - ENGL 232 Non-Western World Literature II (3)
   - ENGL 330 Women in World Thought and Literature (3)
   - ENGL 478 20th Century British Literature (3)
   - FLAS 311 History and Culture of Spain (3)
   - FLAV 390 Special Studies in Foreign Language (3)

4. **Natural Sciences and Mathematics**
   - BIOL 315 Epidemiology (3)
   - BIOL 407 Tropical Field Biology (3)
   - BIOL 415 Tropical Ecosystems (3)
   - CHEM 300 Environmental Chemistry (3)
   - ENGR 131 Introduction to Cartography (3)
   - ENVS 210 Environmental Science and Technology II (3)
   - GEOL 103 Weather and Climate (3)
   - GEOL 104 Oceanography (3)
   - GEOL 107 Natural Hazards and Environmental Geology (3)
   - GEOL 332/332L Introduction to Geographic Information Systems and Lab (4)
   - GEOL 359 Survey of Mineral-Related Natural Resources (3)

5. **Social and Behavioral Sciences**
   - ANTH 201 Cultural Anthropology (3)
   - ANTH 350 Regional Study (3)
   - ANTH 390 World Ethnicity and Nationalism (3)
   - ANTH 405 Globalization and Culture Change (3)
   - ANTH 410 World Cultures (3)
   - GEOG 103 World Regional Geography (3)
   - POLS 261 Comparative Politics (3)
   - POLS 365 European Politics (3)
   - POLS 370 World Politics (3)
   - SOCO 310 Sociology of Religion (3)
   - SOCO 314 Population (3)

**RECOMMENDATION – Study Abroad Experience**

As part of their program, students will be encouraged to participate in an international experience in consultation with their advisors. This experience could be a semester or summer abroad, an international internship, an intensive immersion language program in another country, or participation in a growing number of study abroad opportunities offered by Mesa State College. The credits received from this experience could be used to fulfill general education requirements or program requirements including unrestricted electives, but are not intended to add to the 120 hour graduation requirement. Substitutions would need to be approved by an advisor and department chair prior to the international experience.