

# INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS (IA)

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*Read more about the courses within this subject prefix in the descriptions provided below.*

## IA 401 - International Perspectives

**Credits:** 4

Provides students with a broad, interdisciplinary overview of international affairs in a dynamic and interconnected world. The course is team-taught in two modules, each of which highlights perspectives from anthropology, geography, political science, or a related discipline. These modules address global issues such as poverty, conflict, human rights, development, environment, migration, and health. Required for the IA dual major and minor. Must complete IA 401 before the international experience, preferably during the 1st or 2nd year.

**Attributes:** World Cultures(Discovery)

**Grade Mode:** Letter Grading

## IA 501 - Global Issues in International Affairs

**Credits:** 4

Students analyze the theory and practice of international affairs and acquire practice in designing an independent research project. Topics vary with faculty expertise, and have included war and political violence; global environmental issues, social mobilization and protest, and development, race, and gender. IA 501 further prepares students for their international experience and helps them design individualized research topics for their capstone project in IA 701. This course must be taken before IA 701 and in most cases, before the student undertakes an international experience.

**Attributes:** Writing Intensive Course

**Prerequisite(s):** IA 401 with a minimum grade of D-.

**Grade Mode:** Letter Grading

## IA 695 - Independent Study in IA

**Credits:** 2-4

Faculty supervised independent Study in International Affairs.

**Repeat Rule:** May be repeated for a maximum of 8 credits.

**Grade Mode:** Credit/Fail Grading

## IA 701 - Exploring International Challenges and Opportunities

**Credits:** 4

Around the world, policymakers, businesses, and communities face wide-ranging challenges and opportunities that are place-specific, yet global in scope. In this IA capstone seminar, students will learn how to investigate global issues, analyze their manifestations in different social, cultural, and political contexts, and formulate data-driven recommendations. Drawing upon their international experience, second language skills, and IA course work, students will complete individual capstone research projects and present their findings at the annual Undergraduate Research Conference.

**Attributes:** Writing Intensive Course

**Prerequisite(s):** IA 401 with a minimum grade of D- and IA 501 with a minimum grade of D-.

**Grade Mode:** Letter Grading