

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS (IA)

The international affairs program offers undergraduate students the opportunity to pursue a dual major or a minor in international affairs (IA). The dual major and minor pair with any primary major in any college at UNH. The IA program adds an international dimension to the primary major and expands career opportunities in a global, interdependent world. IA courses core courses are interdisciplinary, taught by faculty with expertise in international studies from around the university. Required IA courses and IA elective courses help students appreciate complex interconnections among nations and peoples and equip them with the analytical skills, cultural competence, and global perspectives needed for careers in the public, private and nonprofit sectors.

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Programs

- [International Affairs Dual Major](#)
- [International Affairs Minor](#)

Courses

International Affairs (IA)

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)

Equivalent(s): PIP 401

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. Prereq: IA 401. Writing intensive.

Attributes: Writing Intensive Course

Equivalent(s): PIP 501

IA 695 - Independent Study in IA

Credits: 2-4

Faculty supervised independent Study in International Affairs. Prereq: permission from the IA Program Chair. Cr/F.

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

IA 699 - Topics

Credits: 4

Special topics course with varying subject matter and format. Study of areas and subjects not covered by existing courses. Recommended as a dual major elective.

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

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. Prereq: IA 401, IA 501, International Experience, IA Dual Major.

Attributes: Writing Intensive Course

Faculty

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