

**REQUIREMENTS FOR THE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN INTERNATIONAL AND AREA STUDIES**  
**COLLEGE OF INTERNATIONAL STUDIES**  
**THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA**

For Students Entering the Oklahoma State System for Higher Education:  
  
**Summer 2017 through Spring 2018**

Minimum Credit Hours and Grade Point Averages Required			
Total Hours —	120	Upper-Division Within Total	48
Major Hours —	33	Upper-Division Within Major	18
<b>Grade Point Averages:</b>			
Overall: Combined OU/Transfer - <b>2.00</b> OU - <b>2.00</b>			
Major GPA (33 hours; does <b>not</b> include Major Support): <b>2.50</b>			
<b>48 Upper-Division Hours REQUIRED</b>			

Global Energy, Environment, and Resources  
  
 B495  
  
 Bachelor of Arts in International & Area Studies

**OU encourages students to complete at least 30 hours of applicable coursework each year to have the opportunity to graduate in four years.**

GENERAL EDUCATION AND COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS Courses graded P/NP will not apply.	Some courses required for the major may also fulfill University General Education and/or College of International Studies Requirements		
	MAJOR REQUIREMENTS	MAJOR REQUIREMENTS - continued	
<p>Courses for fulfillment of General Education and College of International Studies requirements must be from the approved General Education course list published in the Class Schedule or at: <a href="http://www.ou.edu/content/gened/courses.html">http://www.ou.edu/content/gened/courses.html</a></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>University-Wide General Education (minimum 40 hours) and College of International Studies Requirements Core</b></p> <p><b>Area I: Symbolic and Oral Communication</b> (9-22 hours, 3-6 courses)</p> <p>a. <b>English Composition</b> (6 hours, 2 courses)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. English 1113, Principles of English Composition</li> <li>2. English 1213, Principles of English Composition, or EXPO 1213, Expository Writing</li> </ol> <p>b. <b>Foreign Language</b> (0-13 hours in the same language)                      The College of International Studies requirement <i>cannot be met by high school coursework</i>.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Beginning Course (0-5 hours) _____</li> <li>2. Beginning Course, continued (0-5 hours) _____</li> <li>▶ 3. Intermediate Course (2000 level, 0-3 hours). _____                          One course at the intermediate level or demonstrated competency at that level.</li> </ol> <p>c. <b>Mathematics</b> (3 hours, 1 course). _____</p> <p><b>Core Area II: Natural Science</b> (7 hours, 2 courses). The two courses must be taken from different disciplines in the biological and/or physical sciences; one of which must include a laboratory component.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. _____</li> <li>2. _____</li> </ol> <p><b>Core Area III: Social Science</b> (6 hours, 2 courses)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Political Science 1113, American Federal Government</li> <li>2. _____</li> </ol> <p><b>Core Area IV: Humanities</b> (18 hours, 6 courses)</p> <p>a. <b>Understanding Artistic Forms</b> (3 hours, 1 course) _____</p> <p>b. <b>Western Civilization and Culture</b> (6 hours, 2 courses)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. History 1483, U.S., 1492-1865, or History 1493, U.S., 1865-Present,</li> <li>2. _____ (excluding HIST 1483 and 1493)</li> </ol> <p>c. <b>Non-Western Culture</b> (3 hours, 1 course): _____</p> <p>d. <b>Additional Core IV Humanities courses</b> (6 upper-division hours, 2 courses at the 3000- 4000-level). Must be outside the major and selected from Understanding Artistic Forms, Western Civilization and Culture, or Non-Western Culture.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ 1. _____</li> <li>▶ 2. _____</li> </ol> <p><b>Core Area V: Senior Capstone Experience</b> (3 hours, 1 course): _____</p> <p>▶ College of International Studies Requirements: College requirements are not automatically fulfilled by a previous degree.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>The major requires 33 hours, 18 of which must be upper-division. 18 of the required 33 must be taken in the Department of International and Area Studies.</b></p> <p><b>I. Foundations of GEER (3 hours)</b>                      IAS 3283 Culture, Power, &amp; Global Envir. OR                      IAS 3653 Energy, Climate, and Security</p> <p style="text-align: center;">_____</p> <p><b>II. Areas of Concentration (15 hours, 6 hours minimum must be IAS designated)</b>                      Courses chosen from the following three groups. A minimum of one course from each group must be taken.</p> <p><b>Group A. Energy, Climate, and the Environment</b>                      AGSC 2014, The Earth System                      BIOL 3403, Principles of Ecology                      ENST 3503, Energy, Climate Change, &amp; Envir.                      GEOG 3003, Interpreting Planet Earth                      GEOG 4283, Biogeography                      GEOG 4523, Life Cycle Analysis                      GEOG 4583, Renewable Energy Resources                      IAS 3603, Energy, Envir., &amp; Climate- China                      IAS 3653, Energy, Climate, and Security                      METR 1014, Intro. to Weather &amp; Climate                      P BIO 2404, Ecology &amp; Envir. Quality</p> <p><b>Group B. Environment &amp; Global Ethics</b>                      ENST 2603, Wildlife Conser.- Global Persp.                      ENST 3213, Law &amp; the Environment                      ENST 3223, Environmental Justice                      ENST 3233, Sustainable Communities                      GEOG 3233, Principles of Sustainability                      GEOG 3253, Environmental Conservation                      GEOG/RCPL 4003, Global City &amp; Planning                      HSCI 3473, Hist. of Ecol. &amp; Environmentalism                      IAS 3003, Topics in IAS (Global Africa)                      IAS 3013, International Law                      PHIL 3293, Environmental Ethics</p> <p><b>Group C. International Society and Environment</b>                      ANTH 2253, Human &amp; Animal Interactions                      ENST 2623, Human-Wildlife Interactions                      ENST 3003, Nature and Culture                      ENST 3013, Globalization, Culture &amp; the Envir.                      ENST 3413, Human Health, Disease, &amp; Envir.                      GEOG 3443, Environment &amp; Society                      GEOG 3563, Geog. of Natural Resources                      GEOG 3843, Gender &amp; Environment                      GEOG 4343, Climate, History, &amp; Society                      GEOG 4563, American Indian Geog.                      HSCI 1113, Science, Nature, &amp; Society                      IAS 3083, International Activism                      IAS 3173, Rural Life in Modern China                      IAS 3193, Envir. &amp; Disease Crisis- China                      IAS 3283, Culture, Power, &amp; Global Envir.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">_____</p> <p style="text-align: center;">_____</p> <p style="text-align: center;">_____</p> <p style="text-align: center;">_____</p> <p style="text-align: center;">_____</p>	<p><b>III. Area Studies Focus (9 hours, 3 hours minimum must be IAS designated)</b>                      Students will take three additional courses from one region of the world. Courses outside of the department must be approved by the IAS Academic Advisor.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">_____</p> <p style="text-align: center;">_____</p> <p style="text-align: center;">_____</p> <p><b>IV. International Experience:</b> Students must complete an approved international experience. Please check with the IAS Academic Adviser for more information.</p> <p><b>V. Research and Writing Skills:</b> Students must complete one research and one writing skills course in IAS.</p> <p><b>VI. Internship or Service Learning (3 hours)</b>                      Students must have an internship in an energy company or environmental organization, preferably with an international focus. Students may also engage in service learning appropriate to the major. All internships and service learning must be approved by the IAS Academic Adviser.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">IAS 3910, International Studies Internship</p> <p><b>VII. Senior Capstone Course (3 hours)</b>                      IAS 4013, Senior Capstone in IAS</p> <p><b>NOTES:</b> Students may take other appropriate courses as approved by the IAS department.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>MAJOR SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS</b></p> <p>Sixteen hours of one foreign language relevant to the major.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">_____</p> <p style="text-align: center;">_____</p> <p style="text-align: center;">_____</p> <p style="text-align: center;">_____</p> <p style="text-align: center;">_____</p> <p style="text-align: center;">_____</p> <p style="text-align: center;">IAS 2003, Understanding the Global Community</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Free Electives</b></p> <p>Electives to bring total applicable hours to 120 including 48 upper-division hours.</p>

## INFORMATION CONCERNING GENERAL RULES, REGULATIONS AND MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

**TOTAL HOURS:** A minimum of 120 semester hours acceptable toward graduation must be completed.

**UPPER-DIVISION HOURS:** A minimum of 48 upper-division semester hours acceptable toward graduation must be completed. OU courses numbered 3000 or above are upper-division. Transfer work is counted as lower-division or upper-division credit depending on the level at which it was offered at the institution where it was earned. Two-year college work is accepted only as lower-division credit.

**LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES HOURS:** At least 80 semester hours of liberal arts and sciences courses are required for a BA degree. At least 55 semester hours of liberal arts and sciences courses are required for a BS degree.

**MAJOR WORK:** A minimum of 33 semester hours must be earned in the major, including a minimum of 18 credit hours at the upper-division level.

**PASS/NO PASS ENROLLMENT:** A maximum of 16 semester hours of free elective credit may be attempted under this option.

**INDIVIDUAL STUDIES (e.g., courses titled "Independent Study"):** A maximum of 12 total semester hours may be counted toward graduation, excluding Honors Reading and Honors Research.

**MILITARY, MILITARY IN-SERVICE, SKILLS, APPLIED TECHNOLOGY, AND P.E. COURSES:** A maximum of 16 semester credit hours of basic skills and/or applied technology courses. No physical education activity courses will be counted toward the 120 semester hours of acceptable credit for graduation.

**SENIOR INSTITUTION HOURS:** A minimum of 60 semester hours applied toward graduation must be earned at senior (4-year) institutions.

**RESIDENCY:**

- At least 15 of the final 30 hours applied toward the degree or at least 50 percent of the hours required by the institution in the major field must be satisfactorily completed at the awarding institution.
- At least 15 semester hours of upper-division major work must be completed in residence at OU.
- OU correspondence courses are *not* considered resident credit.
- Credits earned via examination are neither resident nor nonresident credit.

**GRADE POINT AVERAGES:** Students must earn a minimum overall 2.00 for each of the following: Combined Retention GPA (all college grades), OU Retention GPA; **and**, a 2.50 major GPA (30 hours, does **not** include Major Support).

**SPECIAL DEGREES:** Students may qualify for an Honors degree (cum Laude, Magna cum Laude, or Summa cum Laude) by completing specific requirements of the Honors College. A degree will be earned with Distinction if the student completes at least 60 semester hours at OU with at least a 3.60 combined retention GPA and OU retention GPA. A degree will be earned with Special Distinction if the student completes at least 60 semester hours at OU with at least a 3.90 combined retention GPA and OU retention GPA.

**APPLICATION FOR GRADUATION:** Students must apply for graduation during the term in which they complete their degree requirements in order to graduate in that term. Application forms are available online. The deadline for completion of all coursework to graduate in a particular term is the last day of classes in that term.

**Refer to the OU General Catalog for more complete information.**

### Suggested Semester Plan of Study — Global Energy, Environment, and Resources

This plan shows one possible grouping of courses that would allow students to graduate in four years. Please refer to the front of the degree checklist for official requirements. Students must consult with College of International Studies academic advisers to verify that courses selected each semester fulfill the recommended plan and satisfy university, College of International Studies, and Asian Studies major requirements.

Year	FIRST SEMESTER	Hours	SECOND SEMESTER	Hours
<b>FRESHMAN</b>	ENGL 1113, Principles of English Composition (Core I)	3	ENGL 1213, Principles of English Composition (Core I), <b>or</b> EXPO 1213, Expository Writing (Core I)	3
	Beginning Foreign Language (Core I)	5		P SC 1113, American Federal Government (Core III)
	IAS 2003 Understanding the Global Community (Core III)	3	Beginning Foreign Language continued (Core I)	5
	MATH (Core I)	3	Natural Science with lab (Core II)	4
	Free Elective, lower-division	2		
	<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>SOPHOMORE</b>	Free Elective, lower-division	3	Intermediate Foreign Language continued	3
	HIST 1483, United States 1492-1865, <b>or</b>	3	Western Civilization and Culture (Core IV)	3
	1493, United States 1865-Present (Core IV)	3	Understanding Artistic Forms (Core IV)	3
	Intermediate Foreign Language (Core I)	3	Foundations of GEER: IAS 3283 OR IAS 3653	3
	Non-Western Culture (Core IV)	3	Areas of Concentration Major Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3
	Natural Science without lab (Core II)	3		
Free Elective, lower-division	2			
	<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>JUNIOR</b> International Experience	Free Elective, lower-division	3	Free Elective, lower- or upper-division	3
	Free Elective, lower-division	3	Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3
	Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3	Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3
	Area Studies Focus Major Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3	Area Studies Focus Major Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3
	<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>SENIOR</b>	Humanities, upper-division, outside major (Gen. Ed.)	3	IAS 4013 Senior Capstone Seminar in IAS (Capstone)	3
	Areas of Concentration Major Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3	Areas of Concentration Major Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3
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	Area Studies Focus Major Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3	Free Elective, lower- or upper-division	3
	IAS 3910, International Studies Internship or Service Learning	3	Humanities, upper-division, outside major (Gen. Ed.)	3
	Free Elective, lower-division	3		
	<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>15</b>

**Bachelor's degrees require a minimum of 48 hours of upper-division (3000-4000) coursework.**

This plan of study should not be used in lieu of academic advisement.

Students who transfer from other institutions (particularly community colleges) must verify credit hour and course requirements with their academic counselor, 325-1429,

<http://www.ou.edu/international>.

Please make an appointment for a degree check with your college academic counselor once you have earned 90 hours.