

**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 2016 through Spring 2017**

Minimum Credit Hours and Grade Point Averages Required			
Total Hours —	<b>120</b>	Upper-Division Within Total	<b>48</b>
Major Hours —	<b>33</b>	Upper-Division Within Major	<b>18</b>
<b>Grade Point Averages:</b>			
Overall: Combined OU/Transfer - <b>2.00</b> OU - <b>2.00</b>			
Major GPA (30 hours; does not include Major Support): <b>2.50</b>			
<b>48 Upper-Division Hours REQUIRED</b>			

International Studies  
**B605**  
 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	
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>		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.	
UNIVERSITY-WIDE GENERAL EDUCATION (minimum 40 hours) and College of International Studies Requirements Core		MAJOR REQUIREMENTS	
Area I: Symbolic and Oral Communication (9-22 hours, 3-6 courses)		MAJOR REQUIREMENTS - continued	
<p><b>a. English Composition</b> (6 hours, 2 courses)</p> <p>1. English 1113, Principles of English Composition</p> <p>2. English 1213, Principles of English Composition, or EXPO 1213, Expository Writing</p> <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> <p>1. Beginning Course (0-5 hours) _____</p> <p>2. Beginning Course, continued (0-5 hours) _____</p> <p>▶ 3. Intermediate Course (2000 level, 0-3 hours). _____                      One course at the intermediate level or demonstrated competency at that level.</p> <p><b>c. 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> <p>▶ _____</p> <p>▶ _____</p> <p><b>Core Area III: Social Science</b> (6 hours, 2 courses)</p> <p>1. Political Science 1113, American Federal Government</p> <p>2. _____</p> <p><b>Core Area IV: Humanities</b> (18 hours, 6 courses)</p> <p><b>a. Understanding Artistic Forms</b> (3 hours, 1 course) _____</p> <p><b>b. Western Civilization and Culture</b> (6 hours, 2 courses)</p> <p>1. History 1483, U.S., 1492-1865, or History 1493, U.S., 1865-Present,</p> <p>2. _____ (excluding HIST 1483 and 1493)</p> <p><b>c. Non-Western Culture</b> (3 hours, 1 course): _____</p> <p><b>d. 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> <p>▶ 1. _____</p> <p>▶ 2. _____</p> <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><b>I. International Relations</b> (6 hours; 3 hours must be IAS designated).                      GEOG 2603, World Regional Geography                      IAS 2603, Govt. Around the World                      IAS 3013, International Law                      IAS 3023, Genocide                      IAS 3033, International Human Rights                      IAS 3043, Global Security                      IAS 3053, Global Governance                      IAS 3083, International Activism                      IAS 3153, Chinese Foreign Policy                      IAS 3213, EU, NATO, &amp; Eur. Security                      IAS 3313, Latin Amer. Int'l Relations                      IAS 3403, US-Iran Relations                      IAS 3433, Intl. Relations in Middle East                      IAS 3503, US &amp; Middle East 1945-Pres.                      IAS 3583, Managing US-China Relations                      IAS 3653, Energy, Climate, and Security                      P SC 3513, Causes of War                      P SC 3533, Contemporary Terrorism</p> <p>_____ 3</p> <p>_____ 3</p> <p><b>II. Development &amp; Economics</b> (6 hours; 3 hours must be IAS designated).                      IAS 3073, Global Economic Relations                      IAS 3253, Africa in the World Economy                      IAS 3263, Poverty &amp; Rural Dev.                      IAS 3273, European Union                      IAS 3303, Mexican Econ. Development                      IAS 3323, Political Economic Dev.                      IAS 3633, Global Economic Crisis                      IAS 3643, Illicit Trafficking                      IAS 3283, Culture, Power, Global Env.                      ECON 4713, Latin American Econ. Dev.                      ECON 4733, Econ. Dev. Middle East                      ECON 4853, World Economic Dev.                      GEOG 3243, Princ. of Econ. Geography                      SOC 3803, Inequality in a Global Persp.</p> <p>_____ 3</p> <p>_____ 3</p> <p><b>III. History &amp; Culture</b> (6 hours; 3 hours must be IAS designated).                      IAS 1303, Intro to Latin Amer. Studies                      IAS 2413, Islam                      IAS 3203, Middle East Since WWI                      IAS 3353, Modern Brazil                      IAS 3413, Iran &amp; Islam to 1800                      IAS 3463, Arab. Cult./Soc.-Mod. Fiction                      IAS 3513, 20th Century India                      IAS 3573, Religious Conflicts in Asia                      IAS 3593, Introduction to SE Asia                      IAS/HIST 4523, Latin American Left                      IAS/HIST 4533, Populism in 20th Cent. S. Am.                      IAS/HIST 4543, Latin America – Cuban Ref.                      P SC 3563, US Diplomatic History</p> <p>_____ 3</p> <p>_____ 3</p>	<p><b>IV. Politics &amp; Society</b> (6 hours; 3 hours must be IAS designated).                      IAS 1303, Intro to Latin Amer. Studies                      IAS 2123, China Today                      IAS 3063, Pol. Of Developing Countries                      IAS 3143, Chinese Politics                      IAS 3173, Rural Life in Modern China                      IAS 3193, Env. &amp; Disease Crisis Chins                      IAS 3223, Nationalism in Middle East                      IAS 3243, Contemporary Europe                      IAS 3373, Latin Amer. Narco-Regimes                      IAS 3473, Arab-Israeli Conflict                      IAS 3493, Iran Since 1979                      IAS 3523, Women &amp; Gender in S. Asia                      IAS 3553, Violence/Culture–Dev. World                      IAS 3293, Women/Gender/Family–Euro                      IAS 3663, Comp. Pol. In the Middle East                      IAS 3673, Egyptian Politics &amp; Society                      P SC 3643, Democratization                      P SC 3653, Govmt/Pol. Of Latin America                      GEOG 3513, Political Geography</p> <p>_____ 3</p> <p>_____ 3</p> <p><b>V. Specialization</b> (6 hours, 3 hours must be IAS designated).                      Students will chose an area of specialization that fits their career goals. Will include additional hours from sections I-IV, an area studies or custom specialization as approved.</p> <p>_____ 3</p> <p>_____ 3</p> <p><b>VI. International Experience.</b> Students must complete an approved international experience. Please check with the IAS Academic Adviser for more information.</p> <p><b>VII. Research and Writing Skills.</b> Students must complete one research and one writing skills course in IAS.</p> <p>_____ 3</p> <p><b>VIII. Senior Capstone Course</b> (3 hours).                      IAS 4013, Senior Capstone Seminar in International &amp; Area Studies</p> <p><b>NOTES:</b> Students may take other appropriate courses as approved by the IAS Academic Adviser.</p>	<p align="center"><b>MAJOR SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS</b></p> <p>Sixteen hours of one foreign language. 16</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>ECON 1113, Prin. of Econ.—Macro 3</p> <p>ECON 1123, Prin. of Econ.—Micro 3</p> <p>IAS 2003, Understanding the Global Community 3</p> <p 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 30 semester hours must be earned in the major, including a minimum of 15 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 — International Studies - B605**

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 checksheet 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 International 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>	3
	MATH (Core I)	3	EXPO 1213, Expository Writing (Core I)	
	Beginning Foreign Language (Core I)	5	P SC 1113, American Federal Government (Core III)	3
	Natural Science with lab (Core II)	4	Beginning Foreign Language continued (Core I)	5
			Natural Science without lab (Core II)	3
	<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>SOPHOMORE</b>	ECON 1113, Principles of Economics - Macro (Core III)	3	ECON 1123, Principles of Economics - Micro	3
	HIST 1483, United States 1492-1865, <b>or</b>	3	Humanities, upper-division, outside major (Gen. Ed.)	3
	1493, United States 1865-Present (Core IV)		Intermediate Foreign Language continued	3
	IAS 2003, Understanding the Global Community	3	Non-Western Culture (Core IV)	3
	Intermediate Foreign Language	3	Western Civilization & Culture (Core IV)	3
	Understanding Artistic Forms (Core IV)	3		
	Free Elective, lower-division	3		
	<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>JUNIOR International Experience</b>	International Relations Major Elective, upper-division	3	Free Elective, lower-division	3
	History & Culture Major Elective, upper-division	3	Free Elective, lower-division	3
	Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3	Politics & Society Major Elective, upper-division	3
	Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3	History and Culture Major Elective, upper-division	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
	International Relations Major Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3	Specialization Major Elective, upper-division	3
	Development & Economics Major Elective upper-division	3	Development & Economics Major Elective, upper-division	3
	Politics & Society Major Elective, lower- or upper-division	3	Free Elective, lower- or upper-division	1
	Specialization Major Elective, upper-division	3	Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3
	Free Elective, lower- or upper-division	3	Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3
	<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>16</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.