

BA in International Studies with Emphasis in South Asian Studies

Degree Program Description

The South Asian Studies emphasis offers courses in history, politics, philosophy, religion, culture, social life and languages of India. It thus provides the opportunity for study of an ancient and extensive civilization with a significant role in human history. An emphasis in South Asian Studies prepares students to enter MA and PhD programs in this area of specialization, which often provide intensive summer language programs. An advanced degree opens a variety of professional and job opportunities for those planning to work in such fields as international business, trade and diplomacy, international law or agricultural development, among others. **Please note that South Asian Studies course offerings are currently very limited. Students who wish to have a more robust course of study in the emphasis area may need to consider a South Asian study abroad experience in addition to their coursework on campus.**

Major Program Requirements

Refer to the program requirements for the BA in International Studies (<https://catalog.missouri.edu/collegeofartsandscience/internationalstudies/ba-international-studies/>). Students pursuing the South Asian Studies emphasis will fulfill the Emphasis Area requirements of the major by completing 9 hours of credit related to South Asian Studies, including a 3-credit capstone.

Students are encouraged to begin study of their second language no later than the sophomore year. Students should consult with the International Center about appropriate locations for their study abroad experience. In addition to University (<https://catalog.missouri.edu/academicdegreerequirements/universityrequirements/>), general education (<https://catalog.missouri.edu/academicdegreerequirements/generaleducationrequirements/>), and College of Arts and Science (<https://catalog.missouri.edu/collegeofartsandscience/#undergraduatetext>) requirements, students must also meet the following major program requirements. All major requirements in the College of Arts and Science must be completed with grades of C- or higher unless otherwise indicated.

Semester Plan

First Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
ENGLSH 1000		3 Math and Quantitative Reasoning	3
Second Language Requirement		4 Second Language Requirement	4
Missouri State Law Requirement: Social Science from Arts and Science		3 POL_SC 1400 or 2700	3
Behavioral Science from Arts and Science		3 ANTHRO 2030	3
GEOG 1100		3 I.S. major choice core humanities course	3
		16	16

Second Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
Second Language Requirement		4 I.S. major language requirement	3
Social Science, 2000+ level		3 I.S. major choice core course	3
Behavioral Science, 2000+ level		3 Biological or Physical Science Lab	3
Biological, Physical, or Mathematical Science		3 First Writing Intensive	3
I.S. major choice core course		3 Humanities from Arts and Science	3
		16	15
Third Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
I.S. major language requirement		3 I.S. major social/behavioral course	3
I.S. major social/behavioral course		3 I.S. major regional/cultural humanities course	3
Humanities, 2000+ level		3 I.S. major, 3000+ Writing Intensive	3
Biological, Physical, or Mathematical Science		3 Social Science	3
Second Major, Minor, Certificate, or Elective		3 Second Major, Minor, Certificate, or Elective	3
		15	15
Fourth Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
I.S. major regional/cultural humanities course		3 I.S. major emphasis area course	3
I.S. major emphasis area course		3 Humanities	3
I.S. major emphasis area course, 4000+ level		3 Second Major, Minor, Certificate, or Elective	3
Humanities		3 Second Major, Minor, Certificate, or Elective	3
Second Major, Minor, Certificate, or Elective		3	
		15	12

Total Credits: 120