

Foreign Languages, Fine Arts, and International Cultural Studies

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Department Mission

The department's mission is to participate in and contribute to the College's mission by offering, through our various courses, programs, and majors, a fundamental and thorough education in the liberal arts and concurrently by correlating the benefits of a liberal education with specific major-field studies (e.g., International Cultural Studies).

Through its courses in the General Education Program, the department strives to create a firm foundation for students' education, thus providing them with fundamentals for living a fulfilling life. While pursuing their separate major programs, students also are exposed to the humanistic values of a liberal education as signified by the department's role in the general education program.

Through course offerings in foreign languages, the fine arts, and international cultural studies, the students learn to appreciate the complexities of the multicultural society in which we live. At the same time, the department supports the College curriculum by contributing to the educational needs of its multiracial, ethnically varied, urban student body.

Goals and Objectives

- Provide courses in foreign languages, fine arts, and international cultural studies that complement and help complete the College's liberal arts curriculum and which, in the case of art and music, serve as essential elements of the General Education Program.
- Help prepare students in ICS and Spanish majors for meaningful careers in a broad range of areas, such as business, government, law, teaching, and social services.

- Provide minor concentrations in music, fine arts, foreign languages, and international cultural studies as a significant supplement to the student's chosen major.
- Develop in all students an appreciation of cultural and linguistic diversity and offer an in-depth understanding of those cultures the students choose to investigate.
- Develop in all students, particularly the ICS and Spanish majors, the knowledge and skills needed for graduate studies.
- Enrich students' academic experiences at the College through a wide variety of cultural experiences, such as concerts on and off campus, museum tours, architectural field trips, and other social events that draw upon the city's cultural richness.
- Offer to departmental majors and interested students from other departments the opportunity for internships and study abroad in contexts appropriate to their academic interest.

Objectives

- Students will effectively demonstrate an understanding of concepts from their courses in written and oral form.
- Students will analyze works of art and music using the appropriate vocabulary of each discipline.
- Students will speak, write, read, and exhibit an understanding of languages, cultures, and literature in Spanish, French, or Italian.
- Students will demonstrate an ability to live in and understand a foreign culture for a period of a month or a year.
- Students will derive valuable work experience in an internship that could lead not only to future career opportunities and but also to an engagement in the global community.

Program Requirements

Major in International Cultural Studies

The major in International Cultural Studies gives the student an awareness and understanding of the cultures and behavior of peoples in the contemporary world. From world hunger and the environment to technology and communication, majors learn about the integral role culture plays in today's most pressing issues. Gaining an appreciation of their own culture through the study of other societies, majors also come to

understand the role culture plays in various modes of communication. The ICS major prepares the student for graduate study leading to a master's degree in international studies as well as a wide range of career opportunities in the public and private sectors, including careers in banking, multinational corporations, internationally oriented firms, various government agencies, and cultural foundations and institutes. The program includes a study-abroad component as well as an internship experience. Students choose one of three concentrations in the major: Western Europe, Latin America and the Caribbean, and International Business.

Major in International Cultural Studies—Concentration in International Business

Courses	Credits	Prerequisite(s)	Co-Requisite(s)
General Education Program (see page 15)	48		
First Year Program			
Bodies of Knowledge.....			
➔ HCE - Take TWO Fine Arts (FA) courses. The department strongly recommends ONE music and ONE art			
➔ SEH - Take ECO 1201 Principles of Macroeconomics		MAT 1101 or placement exam (pre- or co-requisite)	
ACC 1101 Elementary Accounting I.....	4	MAT 1101 or placement exam.....	BUS 1001
BUS 1001 Organization and Management.....	3		
Select ONE of the following courses.....	3		
ECO 2202 Principles of Microeconomics		ECO 1201	
ECO 2306 Money and Banking.....		ECO 1201	
ECO 3331/FIN 3301 Principles of Finance	3	{ ACC 1001 or ACC 1101 ECO 2202 or ECO 2306 MAT 1105 or placement exam	
ECO 4403 International Economics, Trade, and Finance.....	3	{ ECO 2306 Junior standing	
FA 1403 Music of Many Cultures.....	3		
Select FOUR foreign language courses in sequence ¹	12	Chairperson's approval	
HR 2204 Human Resources Management.....	3	BUS 1001	
ICS 1240 Peoples/Cultures of the Contemporary World I.....	3		
ICS 1241 Peoples/Cultures of the Contemporary World II	3		
ICS 3380/PSY 3380 Cross-Cultural Psychology/Communications	3	ICS 1241 or PSY 1103 or higher	
Select ONE of the following courses.....	3		
FA 5441 Music, Art & Architecture in Venice and the Veneto (Honors)		Open to Honor Student or with Chairperson's approval	
ICS 3315 Spanish Civilization and Culture		ICS 1240 and ICS 1241	
ICS 5306 German Culture and Fine Arts (Honors)		Open to Honor Student or with Chairperson's approval	
ICS 5307 Austrian Culture and Fine Arts (Honors).....		Open to Honor Student or with Chairperson's approval	
ICS 5341 Latino Culture and Literature		Open to Honor Student or with Chairperson's approval	
ICS 4450 Study Abroad.....	3	{ ICS 1240 ICS 1241	
ICS 4990 Internship in International Cultural Studies.....	3	{ ICS 1240 ICS 1241	
ICS 4998 Senior Thesis ²	3	{ ICS 1240 ICS 1241	
MKT 2201 Marketing	3	BUS 1001	
MKT 3330 International Marketing.....	3	MKT 2201	
Liberal Arts ³ (for specific academic subjects, see page 15)	9		
General electives	6		
Total credits required	124		

¹The 12 credits must all be in the same language.

²The successful completion of ICS 4998 satisfies the College's Thesis requirement.

³Students pursuing a Bachelor of Arts degree must complete 2/3 of their degree credits (i.e. minimum 90 credits) from courses in the Liberal Arts category. For specific academic subjects, see page 15.

4-Year course plans can be found in the appendix.



Major in International Cultural Studies—Concentration in Latin American and Caribbean Studies

Courses	Credits	Prerequisite(s)	Co-Requisite(s)
General Education Program (see page 15)	48		
First Year Program			
Bodies of Knowledge.....			
➔ HCE - Take TWO Fine Arts (FA) courses. The department strongly recommends ONE music and ONE art.....			
➔ SEH - Take ECO 1201 Principles of Macroeconomics.....		MAT 1101 or placement exam (pre- or co-requisite)	
➔ SEH - Take ECO 2202 Principles of Microeconomics.....		ECO1201	
ECO 3304 Political Economy of Development.....	3	ECO 1201	
FA 1403 Music of Many Cultures.....	3		
Select FOUR foreign language courses in sequence ¹	12	Chairperson's approval	
ICS 1240 Peoples/Cultures of the Contemporary World I.....	3		
ICS 1241 Peoples/Cultures of the Contemporary World II	3		
ICS 3311 Contemporary Latin American Authors.....	3	{ ICS 1240 ICS 1241	
ICS 3312 Hispanic Caribbean Cultures and Literature.....	3	{ ICS 1240 ICS 1241	
ICS 3314 Puerto Rican Culture and Civilization.....	3	{ ICS 1240 ICS 1241	
ICS 3315/SPA 3402 Spanish Civilization and Culture.....	3	{ ICS 1240 ICS 1241	
ICS 3370/SOC 2040 Cultural Anthropology	3	ICS 1240 or ICS 1241	
ICS 3380/PSY 3380 Cross-Cultural Psychology/Communications	3	ICS 1241 or PSY 1103 or higher	
ICS 4313 Origins/Development of Liberation in Latin America	3	{ ICS 1240 ICS 1241	
ICS 4450 Study Abroad.....	3	{ ICS 1240 ICS 1241	
ICS 4990 Internship in International Cultural Studies.....	3	{ ICS 1240 ICS 1241	
ICS 4998 Senior Thesis ²	3	{ ICS 1240 ICS 1241	
Select ONE of the following courses.....	3		
ICS 5341/SPA 5401 Latino Culture and Literature		Open to Honors Students or with Chairperson's approval	
SPA 3414 Hispanic Caribbean Culture and Literature.....			
General electives.....	18		
Total credits required.....	123		

¹The 12 credits must all be in the same language.

²The successful completion of ICS 4998 satisfies the College's Thesis requirement.

4-Year course plans can be found in the appendix.

Major in International Cultural Studies—Concentration in Western European Studies

Courses	Credits	Prerequisite(s)	Co-Requisite(s)
General Education Program (see page 15)	48		
First Year Program			
Bodies of Knowledge.....			
➔ HCE - Take TWO Fine Arts (FA) courses. The department strongly recommends ONE music and ONE art.....			
➔ SEH - Take ECO 1201 Principles of Macroeconomics.....		MAT 1101 or placement exam (pre- or co-requisite)	
➔ SEH - Take ECO 2202 Principles of Microeconomics.....		ECO 1201	
HIS 2404 Modern European History 1763-1914	3	HIS 1201	
FA 1403 Music of Many Cultures.....	3		
Select FOUR of the following courses	12		
FA 1408 Italian Fine Arts		FA 1402	
FA 3409 Art and Architecture in England.....		FA 1402	
FA 5441 Music, Art & Architecture in Venice and the Veneto (Honors)			Open to Honor Students-or with Dept. Chair Approval
FRE 3405 French Civilization and Culture.....		FA 1402	
ICS 5306 German Culture and Fine Arts (Honors)			Open to Honor Students-or with Dept. Chair Approval
ICS 5307/FA 3413 Austrian Culture and Fine Arts (Honors).....			Open to Honor Students-or with Dept. Chair Approval
Select FOUR foreign language courses in sequence ¹	12		Chairperson's approval
ICS 1240 Peoples/Cultures of the Contemporary World I	3		
ICS 1241 Peoples/Cultures of the Contemporary World II	3		
Any ICS course 3000 or higher ²	3		
ICS 3315/SPA 3402 Spanish Civilization and Culture.....	3	{ ICS 1240 ICS 1241	
ICS 3380/PSY 3380 Cross-Cultural Psychology/Communications	3	ICS 1241 or PSY 1103 or higher	
ICS 4450 Study Abroad.....	3	{ ICS 1240 ICS 1241	
ICS 4990 Internship in International Cultural Studies.....	3	{ ICS 1240 ICS 1241	
ICS 4998 Senior Thesis ³	3	{ ICS 1240 ICS 1241	
General electives	21		
Total credits required.....	123		

¹The 12 credits must all be in the same language.

²ICS 5306 is recommended.

³The successful completion of ICS 4998 satisfies the College's Thesis requirement.

4-Year course plans can be found in the appendix.

Major in Spanish

A major in Spanish is an in-depth study and analysis of the Spanish language, its written form, and the knowledge of the literature and culture of the people of Hispanic descent. This major introduces the student to the Spanish-speaking world from global and multicultural perspectives. Students are expected to have command of the Spanish language and to understand the culture or cultures the language reflects.

A major in Spanish prepares students for various career opportunities in the fields of teaching, bilingual education, interpreting, translation, business, mass media communication, journalism, science and technology, and global economy. Students can also pursue master's and Ph.D. degrees in Spanish.

Courses	Credits	Prerequisite(s)	Co-Requisite(s)
General Education Program (see page 15)	48		
First Year Program			
Bodies of Knowledge.....			
➔ HCE - Take TWO Fine Arts (FA) courses. The department strongly recommends ONE music and ONE art.....			
Select FOUR foreign language courses in sequence ¹	12	Chairperson's approval	
Select EITHER Group A or Group B below ²	6		
Group A—Select BOTH of the following courses			
SPA 1101 Lower Beginning Spanish			
SPA 1102 Upper Beginning Spanish		SPA 1101	
Group B—Select BOTH of the following courses			
SPA 1105 Spanish for Bilingual Students			
SPA 2115 Conversation in Spanish		SPA 1105 or SPA 2104	
SPA 2103 Lower Intermediate Spanish ²	3	SPA 1102 or placement exam	
SPA 2104 Upper Intermediate Spanish	3	SPA 2103	
SPA 2201 Contemporary Readings of Spain/Latin America I	3	SPA 2104	
Select ONE of the following courses.....	3		
ICS 3314 Puerto Rican Culture and Civilization.....		ICS 1240 and ICS 1241	
ICS 3315/SPA 3402 Spanish Civilization and Culture		ICS 1240 and ICS 1241	
SPA 4419 Travel and Study in Spain, Latin America or the Caribbean...			
Select FIVE of the following courses	15		
SPA 3302 Contemporary Spanish Literature: 1898 to Present.....		SPA 2202	
SPA 3305 History of Spanish-American Literature I.....		SPA 2104	
SPA 3306 History of Spanish-American Literature II		SPA 3305	
SPA 3411 Latin American Nobel Laureates in Literature			
SPA 4308 Advanced Spanish Conversation		SPA 2202	
SPA 4407 Cervantes		SPA 2202	
SPA 4415 Puerto Rican Literature: Ethnicity and National Identity in Poetry, Fiction, and Essays.....			
Select ONE of the following courses.....	3		
SPA 3414 Hispanic Caribbean Culture and Literature.....			
SPA 5401/ICS 5341 Latino Culture and Literature		Open to Honors Students or with Chairperson's approval	
SPA 4998 Senior Thesis	4	Senior standing	
General electives	24		
Total credits required.....	124		

¹Choose from French, Italian, or Latin. Students may take all 12 credits in another language. No CLEP, NYU, Advanced Placement or other examinations may replace this requirement.

LB Lower Beginning, UB Upper Beginning, LI Lower Intermediate, UI Upper Intermediate.

²Students who speak Spanish must select GROUP B. If the student has language skills beyond the intermediate level he/she can proceed to the advanced courses. Students majoring in Spanish must complete a total of 27 credits, including the thesis. If these course requirements are waived, the credits must be completed as free electives. Please speak with the Chairperson for appropriate language placement. Students must see Department for Group B placement.

³The successful completion of SPA 4998 satisfies the College's Comprehensive Examination/Thesis requirement.

4-Year course plans can be found in the appendix.

Minor in Fine Arts

This minor provides the student with a sound grounding in the visual arts of painting, sculpture, and architecture.

Courses	Credits	Prerequisite(s)	Co-Requisite(s)
FA 1402 Orientation in Art	3		
Select FIVE of the following courses	15		
FA 1100 Introduction to Glassblowing.....			
FA 1101 Illuminated Manuscript:: Neon Art			
FA 1408 Italian Fine Arts.....		FA 1402 or FA 1420	
FA 1420 American Art			
FA 2403 Twentieth Century Art			
FA 2404/5 Introduction to Studio Art.....		FA 1402 or FA 1420	
FA 2408 Commemorative Practices in the U.S.....		AMS 1001 and WRI 1100	
FA 2409 Art of Social Change.....		FA 1402, FA 1420 or AMS 1001	
FA 2410 Art in New York City.....		FA 1402, FA 1420 or AMS 1001	
FA 3210 Women in the Arts		WRI 1100, FA 1401 and FA 1402	
FA 3409 Art and Architecture in England.....		FA 1402 or FA 1420	
FA 5406 Ancient Egyptian Art		Open to Honor Students or with Chairperson's Approval	
FA 5440 Studies in Architecture:			
The Building Is the Book (Honors)		Open to Honor Students or with Chairperson's Approval	
ICS 5441 Music, Art & Architecture in Venice and the Veneto (Honors)		Open to Honor Students or with Chairperson's Approval	
FRE 3405 French Civilization and Culture.....		FA 1402	
ICS 3315/SPA 3402 Spanish Civilization and Culture.....		ICS 1240 and ICS 1241	
ICS 5306 German Culture and Fine Arts (Honors)		Open to Honor Students or with Chairperson's Approval	
ICS 5307 Austrian Culture and Fine Arts (Honors).....		Open to Honor Students or with Chairperson's Approval	
Total credits required.....	18		

Minor in Foreign Languages

Foreign languages give students skills (speaking, understanding, reading, and writing) that serve as an excellent supplement to the

student's general education and increase the student's academic credibility when he or she applies for positions in a chosen career.

Minor in French

Courses	Credits	Prerequisite(s)	Co-Requisite(s)
FRE 1101 Lower Beginning French ¹	3		
FRE 1102 Upper Beginning French ¹	3	FRE 1101	
FRE 2103 Lower Intermediate French ¹	3	FRE 1102	
FRE 2104 Upper Intermediate French ¹	3	FRE 2103	
FRE 3405 French Civilization and Culture.....	3	FA 1402	
Total credits required.....	15		

¹Students with advanced standing in French may substitute more advanced courses for French 1101, 1102, 2103, or 2104 as approved by the department Chairperson. A maximum of 6 CLEP credits will be accepted toward the minor in French.

Minor in Italian

Courses	Credits	Prerequisite(s)	Co-Requisite(s)
ITA 1101 Lower Beginning Italian ¹	3		
ITA 1102 Upper Beginning Italian ¹	3	ITA 1101	
ITA 2103 Lower Intermediate Italian.....	3	ITA 1102	
ITA 2104 Upper Intermediate Italian.....	3	ITA 1203	
Select ONE of the following courses.....	3		
FA 1408 Italian Fine Arts.....		FA 1402	
ITA 2001 Italian Film: From Neorealism to Contemporary			
Total credits required.....	15		

¹A maximum of 6 CLEP credits will be accepted toward the minor in Italian.

Minor in Spanish

Courses	Credits	Prerequisite(s)	Co-Requisite(s)
SPA 1101 Lower Beginning Spanish ¹	3		
SPA 1102 Upper Beginning Spanish ¹	3	SPA 1101	
SPA 2103 Lower Intermediate Spanish ¹	3	SPA 1102 or placement exam	
SPA 2104 Upper Intermediate Spanish ¹	3	SPA 2103	
Select ONE of the following courses.....	3		
SPA 2201 Contemporary Readings of Spain/Latin America I.....		SPA 2104	
SPA 2202 Contemporary Readings of Spain/Latin America II.....		SPA 2104	
SPA 3402/ICS 3315 Spanish Civilization and Culture.....		ICS 1240 and ICS 1241	
SPA 5401 Latino Culture and Literature		Open to Honor Students or with Chairperson's Approval	
Total credits required	15		

¹Students with advanced standing in Spanish may substitute more advanced courses from SPA 1105 through SPA 4419 as offered and as approved by the department Chairperson. A maximum of 6 CLEP credits will be accepted toward the minor in Spanish.

Minor in International Cultural Studies

Courses	Credits	Prerequisite(s)	Co-Requisite(s)
ICS 1240 Peoples/Cultures of the Contemporary World I.....	3		
ICS 1240 Peoples/Cultures of the Contemporary World I.....	3		
ICS 1241 Peoples/Cultures of the Contemporary World II	3		
ICS 3380/PSY 3380 Cross-Cultural Psychology/Communications	3	ICS 1241 or PSY 1103 or higher	
Select ONE of the following courses.....	3		
ICS 3311 Contemporary Latin American Authors.....		{ ICS 1240 ICS 1241	
ICS 3312 Hispanic Caribbean Cultures and Literature.....		{ ICS 1240 ICS 1241	
ICS 3314 Puerto Rican Culture and Civilization.....		{ ICS 1240 ICS 1241	
ICS 3370/SOC 2040 Cultural Anthropology			
Select ONE of the following courses.....	3		
FA 3409 Art and Architecture in England.....		FA 1402	
FRE 3405 French Civilization and Culture.....		FA 1402	
Select ONE of the following courses.....	3		
FA 1408 Italian Fine Arts.....		FA 1402	
FA 5441 Music, Art & Architecture in Venice and the Veneto (Honors)		Open to Honor Students or with Chairperson's Approval	
ICS 3315/SPA 3402 Spanish Civilization and Culture		{ ICS 1240 ICS 1241	
ICS 5306 German Culture and Fine Arts (Honors)		Open to Honor Students-or with Chairperson's Approval	
ICS 5307 Austrian Culture and Fine Arts (Honors).....		Open to Honor Students-or with Chairperson's Approval	
ICS 5341 Latino Culture and Literature (Honors).....		Open to Honor Students-or with Chairperson's Approval	
Total credits required	18		

Minor in Music

Courses	Credits	Prerequisite(s)	Co-Requisite(s)
FA 1401 Music of the Western World.....	3		
FA 1401 Music of the Western World.....	3		
FA 1405 Fundamentals of Music Theory	3		
Select ONE of the following courses.....	1-3		
FA 2100 Beginning Guitar			
FA 4996 Choir (take 3 1CR sections).....			
Select TWO of the following courses	6		
FA 1403 Music of Many Cultures.....			
FA 1404 American Music.....			
FA 3210 Women in the Arts			
FA 5415 Opera in NY City.....		Open to Honor Students or with Dept. Chair Approval	
FA 5417/ENG 5406 The Blues, Jazz and the Harlem Renaissance (Honors)		Open to Honor Students or with Dept. Chair Approval	
FA 5441 Music, Art, & Architecture in Venice and the Veneto (Honors)		Open to Honor Students or with Dept. Chair Approval	
ICS 5306 German Culture and Fine Arts (Honors)		Open to Honor Students or with Dept. Chair Approval	
ICS 5307 Austrian Culture and Fine Arts(Honors).....		Open to Honor Students or with Dept. Chair Approval	
Total credits required	15		

