Global Studies

Department Information

• Department Web Site:
  www.ndsu.edu/spanish_globalstudies/ (http://www.ndsu.edu/spanish_globalstudies/)

• Credential Offered:
  Major; Minor; UG Certificate

• Official Program Curriculum:
  catalog.ndsu.edu/undergraduate/program-curriculum/global-studies/ (http://catalog.ndsu.edu/undergraduate/program-curriculum/global-studies/)

In NDSU’s Global Studies program, students engage critically with global issues and hone intercultural communication skills essential to navigating a global marketplace. This interdisciplinary major combines a set of required core courses and a flexible range of electives from disciplines such as economics, geography, anthropology, history, philosophy, English, Spanish, political science, religion, and sociology. These electives are designed to educate students in the complexity of the numerous cultural, political, social, and economical interactions that comprise our modern world.

Major

The Global Studies major can be a primary or secondary major. Students seeking the Global Studies major are required to take courses that have a global focus. These include a 15-credit core and 12 credits of electives that will be chosen with the help of the student’s adviser. Work, internships, or study abroad experience, as well as an integrative senior project that ties international study to the primary degree is also required.

Minor

The Global Studies minor provides students the opportunity to globalize their major as well, but on a less intensive level. It requires 18 credits of study.

Languages

For the Global Studies major, students must complete two courses at any level of any foreign language. This requirement may be completed at NDSU or while completing the study abroad requirement. Foreign language credits are optional for the Global Studies minor.

Experience Abroad

An important part of the Global Studies major is participation in a study, work, internship, or research experience abroad for at least 8 consecutive weeks in duration. The experience abroad must be pre-approved by the Global Studies adviser. Assistance with finding an overseas study program is available in the Office of International Programs (https://www.ndsu.edu/international/). Study abroad is optional for the Global Studies minor.

Admission

To be eligible to participate in the Global Studies major, students must have a minimum cumulative grade-point average of 2.0. Additional information about the Global Studies major and curriculum requirements are available through the Spanish and Global Studies webpage: https://www.ndsu.edu/spanish_globalstudies/