



# International Studies A.A. Degree

FULL TIME

This program roadmap represents one possible pathway to complete the program. **Please see a counselor** to create an education plan that is customized to meet your needs. This roadmap is not a guarantee of course availability or financial aid applicability.

Catalog: 2025-26

GE Pattern: Cal-GETC

Total Units: 60

## First Year

### Semester 1

15 Units

CAT.	COURSE	UNIT	PREREQUISITES	GE AREA
Req	ANTH 310 Cultural Anthropology or	3		4
	ANTH 480 <sup>H</sup> Honors Biological Anthropology	3		
RE	GLST 301 Introduction to Global Studies	3		
GE	ENGL C1000 Academic Reading and Writing or	3		1A
	ENGL C1000H <sup>H</sup> Academic Reading and Writing - Honors	3		
GE	any Area 3A (Arts) course	3		3A
Elec	any transferable elective course	3		

### Semester 2

14 Units

CAT.	COURSE	UNIT	PREREQUISITES	GE AREA
Req	POLS 310 Introduction to International Relations or	3		4
	POLS 480 <sup>H</sup> Introduction to International Relations - Honors	3		
RE	GLST 302 Global Issues	3		
GE	STAT C1000 Introduction to Statistics or	4		2
	STAT C1000H <sup>H</sup> Introduction to Statistics - Honors	4		
GE	any Area 5B (Biological Sciences) course	3		5B
GE	any Area 5C (Science Lab) course <sup>1</sup>	1		5C

<sup>1</sup> The Area 5C (Science Lab) course must correspond with either the Area 5A (Physical Sciences) or Area 5B (Biological Sciences) course.

## Second Year

### Semester 3

16 Units

CAT.	COURSE	UNIT	PREREQUISITES	GE AREA
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## TRANSFER PATH

### Potential Transfer Majors:

- Global Studies B.A.
- Global Politics B.A.
- International Relations B.A.
- International Studies B.A.
- International Relations and Comparative Government B.A.

### Potential Career/Options After Completing a Bachelor's Degree:

Career opportunities exist with local, state, and federal agencies, as well as in the private sector.

### Advising Notes:

- This degree can be completed using either the local AA/AS general education (GE) pattern or the Cal-G ETC transfer GE pattern. See a counselor to determine which pattern is best for you based on your academic goals.
- Students can substitute ESLW 340 for ENGL C1000/C1000H (formerly known as ENGWR 300/480).
- **Transferable Elective Courses:** any elective courses numbered 300-499, or having a 4-digit number starting with C.
- Other foreign languages and course levels can be used to complete this degree. See the catalog.

### Scheduling Notes:

- GLST 301 is offered in the fall.
- GLST 302 is offered in the spring.

CAT.	COURSE	UNIT	PREREQUISITES	GE AREA
Req	HIST 308 History of World Civilizations, 1500 to Present	3		3B
RE	SPAN 411 Intermediate Spanish	4	(see below)	
GE	any Area 1B (Critical Thinking and Composition) course	3		1B
GE	any Area 1C (Oral Communication) course	3		1C
GE	any Area 5A (Physical Sciences) course	3		5A

SPAN 411 prerequisite: SPAN 402 or three years of high school Spanish.

## Semester 4

15 Units

CAT.	COURSE	UNIT	PREREQUISITES	GE AREA
Req	ECON 302 Principles of Macroeconomics	3		
Req	SOC 300 Introductory Sociology or SOC 480 <sup>H</sup> Introductory Sociology - Honors	3 3		
RE	SPAN 412 Intermediate Spanish	4	SPAN 411	
GE	any Area 6 (Ethnic Studies) course	3		6
Elec	any transferable elective course	2		

## Other Notes to Students Preparing to Transfer:

- See [ASSIST.ORG](https://assist.org) for the transfer requirements of the institution to which you plan to transfer.
- The CSU system requires every student receiving a bachelor's degree to be knowledgeable about the Constitution of the United States, American history, and state and local government. This requirement is generally known as the American Institutions requirement. Students can complete this requirement at ARC before transferring. [See a counselor](#) for a list of approved courses.

## Honors Courses (H):

Students with a cumulative GPA of 3.2 or better who complete 15 or more units of Honors coursework earn an Honors Transfer Certificate and can take advantage of honors-to-honors transfer agreements with highly selective colleges and universities, both public and private.

### EXPLANATION OF CATEGORIES

Req	Required Core	A course that is required for this program
RE	Restricted Elective	A course selected from a list of elective courses specified for this program in the course list in the catalog, which can be replaced with another course from the same list
GE	General Education	A course that fulfills a specific general education requirement for a degree, which can be replaced with another course that meets the same requirement
Elec	Degree Elective	A degree-applicable course that is part of a degree roadmap to ensure that there is a total of at least 60 units, which is a requirement for an associate degree