

# Intercultural Studies

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Intercultural studies is a minor program that equips students to interact more sensitively and effectively with people from other cultures. Course work, Study Abroad, and May Terms challenge students to gain an understanding of their own culture, an appreciation of cultural differences, an appreciation of the universal human experience, and an awareness of the communicative skills necessary for intercultural communication.

## Minor in Intercultural Studies

4½ course credits:

### REQUIREMENTS

GM 201 Intercultural Communication  
GM 301 Return Adjustment (½)  
Foreign language proficiency  
Two cultural immersion points

### COURSES

Three elective course credits (no more than two from any given department) from

ART 251 Art History: Renaissance Through Modern  
CA 270 Gender and Sexuality  
EC 349 Comparative Economic Systems  
ED 212 Human Relations  
EN 205 Survey of World Literature I  
EN 206 Survey of World Literature II  
EN 313 Contemporary Literature  
FL 350 Topics in Comparative Cultures  
GM 206/216 Society and Culture of Guyana and Trinidad I, II  
GM 220 Southeast Asia Expedition I (½)  
GM 222 Readings in Japanese Culture (½)  
GM 304 China Seminar (½)  
GM 307 Readings in Middle East Life and Culture/GM 308  
Middle East Life and Culture  
HI 150 20th-Century Non-Western History and Geography  
HI 224 History and Culture of the Mideast  
HI 290 20th-Century Europe  
HI 301 Colonial America  
HI 304 American Ethnic History  
HI 305 The American Frontier  
HI 321 Russian History  
HI 341 African History  
HI 343 Colonialism and Culture  
HI 351 Topics: History of European Racism  
ID 360 Metropolis (Wartburg West)  
ID 373 Contemporary (Ethnic) Culture  
PS 130 Contemporary Political Ideologies  
PS 270 Comparative Political Systems  
PS 302 International Relations  
PS 304 The Developing World  
RE 202 World Religions in Dialogue  
RE 215 Contemporary Moral Problems: Racism  
RE 257 Church in Latin America  
RE 277 Reformation Then and Now  
RE 324 Religious Traditions of Immigrant Communities  
(Wartburg West)  
RE 373 Religion Across Cultures  
SO 225 Race and Ethnicity in America

SO/WS 380 Women in Cross-Cultural Perspective  
SO 402 Global Communities

Any foreign language course not used to meet the minor's language requirement

A maximum of two courses from LS 371 Internship, LS 372 Internship, LS 450 Independent Study may be used if the courses are taken in conjunction with the cultural immersion and receive prior approval from the Dean of the Faculty.

### FOREIGN LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

One term of a second language at the 106 level or above (or three years of a second language in high school, or bilingual proficiency)

### CULTURAL IMMERSION POINTS

A cultural immersion is a course or program in which students live in a culture significantly different from the one in which they were raised and which has been approved as a cultural immersion by the Educational Policies Committee. An intercultural studies point is not a course credit. It is a measure assigned to weight the depth of a cultural immersion. A May Term cultural immersion earns one point, because a student has been exposed to another culture in a way that moves beyond being a tourist. A cultural immersion during Fall and/or Winter Term earns two points.

### TWO CULTURAL IMMERSION POINTS

Fall or Winter Term Abroad, or Year Abroad on an approved Study Abroad program

### ONE CULTURAL IMMERSION POINT

May/Summer Abroad, as noted below or approved by GMCS  
ART 375 Drawing and Painting in Italy  
BI/GM 216 Ecology of Guyana II/Social and Cultural Ecology of Guyana II  
ED 212 Human Relations (NY and Denver only)  
EN 261 England: A Literary Tour  
FR 260/261 May Term Abroad: France  
GER 260/261 May Term Abroad: Germany  
GM 220/230 Southeast Asia Expeditionary Course I/II  
GM 223 Tour with the Arts: Europe  
GM 232 Japan: Tradition and Culture  
GM 270 Exploration and Service-Learning in Alaska  
GM 303 Historical Roots of Math and Physics  
HI 320 Investigating Germany's Past Abroad  
ID 304 China in Transition  
ID 308 Archaeology and the Bible  
ID 359 Tanzania and the Global AIDS Crisis  
RE 255 Urban Ministry (any approved location)  
RE 257 Church in Latin America  
RE 277 Reformation Then and Now  
SP 260/261 May Term Abroad: Mexico