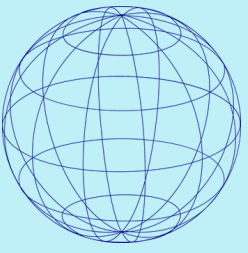


# International Studies & Diplomacy



The International Studies and Diplomacy program is an interdependent, dual major program leading to a B.A. in International Studies and a B.A. French, Chinese, Spanish, German, Italian, Arabic or Japanese (Global Language & Area Studies) language. The program is designed to provide essential knowledge and skills in international politics, economics, cultures, and language. Graduates are prepared for careers in foreign service, diplomacy, international non-governmental organizations, and other international careers.

## Areas of Opportunity



- International Business
- International Relations
- Social Services
- Language Services
- Education
- Communications
- International Public Law
- Travel and Tourism
- Foreign Services
- Lobbying
- Security

## Common Employers



- Educational institutions
- Defense contractors
- Legislative officials
- Federal government: Department of State, Department of Agriculture, Department of Commerce, Department of Defense, US Agency for International Development, National Security Council, National Security Agency
- Research institutes
- Relief agencies, Peace Corps
- Law firms
- Domestic and Foreign Corporations
- International firms for: trade, real estate, logistics, contracting, and environmental

## Professional Organizations



- AFSA - American Foreign Service Association
- AIB - Academy of International Business
- International Association for Political Science Students
- Council for Foreign Relations
- FPA - Foreign Policy Association
- Global Studies Association of North America
- IATEFL - International Association of Teachers of English as a Foreign Language
- ISA - International Studies Association



## Strategies for Entering the Field

- Develop linguistic skills. Become fluent in a second and third language.
- Demonstrate intercultural competency, sensitivity, and tolerance.
- Gain experience communicating with people from other cultures. Seek opportunities to interact with international students on campus or in your community.
- Study abroad, work abroad, or travel to a foreign country while in school.
- Commit to a continuous study of host country's language.
- Develop a good understanding of etiquette and business practices in country of target.
- Obtain daily papers in target city to determine international and national news, business features, real estate markets, and community calendars.
- Look for domestic companies that work globally and have offices in different countries.
- Learn about international travel regulations including the specific visa requirements for the country you're traveling to and the jobs you'll be working in.
- Graduate degrees are often required for many foreign services jobs.