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#### BACHELOR OF ARTS IN INTERNATIONAL STUDIES (B.A.)

International Studies (INTL) is designed to produce informed leaders on world issues who are proficient in a foreign language and have exceptional research, writing and public speaking skills. The program promotes rigorous academic training, and provides students with the professional skills needed to operate in an increasingly complex and globalized society.

#### FOUNDATION COURSES

Students are required to complete 21 credits of foundation courses that cover the principal contributing academic disciplines for this interdisciplinary degree: anthropology, economics and government, along with an interdisciplinary introductory course and a capstone experience.

#### CONCENTRATIONS

Students are expected to take 12 credits in two out of four areas of study:

- **C** focuses on understanding ourselves and others from different cultures and explores issues such as race, religion and gender. It considers how identities are affected by changing patterns of human interaction and the interchange of ideas between cultures.
- studies economic interactions that occur on a global scale and among and within countries.
- examines environmental challenges that impact the international community, individual countries and our own local communities.
- explores the interactions of actors in international politics, including international organizations (such as the United Nations), countries and nonstate actors. Courses in this area involve foreign policy, international law and the evolution of the international system.

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### **REGIONAL FOCUS**

International Studies majors are also required to select a geographic region in which they specialize. In order to fulfill this requirement, students must complete nine credits in one geographic region: African Area Studies, The Americas Area Studies, Asian Area Studies or European Area Studies.

#### FOREIGN LANGUAGE

As the world becomes more interdependent, it is essential that students move beyond a monolingual global understanding. Proficiency in more than one language will be crucial for future international opportunities.

Students must complete six credits in a foreign language of their choice. Through study at Millersville or through an arrangement with neighboring Franklin & Marshall College, INTL majors have the following foreign languages to select from: Arabic, Mandarin, French, German, Japanese, Spanish and Russian.

## AB AB

International Studies majors are encouraged to study abroad. This is an important and valuable part of the student's undergraduate educational experience. Study-abroad experiences expand intellectual horizons and deepen understanding of cultural, political and economic issues. Students may study, work or intern abroad any time after the completion of 24 credits.

Millersville University has partner institutions in Australia, Chile, China, France, Germany, Japan, South Africa, Spain and the United Kingdom. Recent INTL majors have also studied in Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Costa Rica, Croatia, Denmark, Israel, the Palestinian Territories, Russia, Sweden and Vietnam.

For information regarding study abroad, please visit www. millersville.edu/globaled.

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Students have many opportunities to participate in internships and earn academic credit applicable to the INTL major while gaining valuable professional experience. International Studies–related internships are offered in partnership with numerous local, state, national and international institutions. INTL majors in recent years have interned with national parliaments (U.K., Canada, Chile), Save the Children Federation,