

GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT STUDIES MINOR

“Development” refers to the expansion of economic activity, integration into global flows of information and commerce, and improvement of the quality of life. The undergraduate minor program in Global Development Studies at OSU is designed to help students understand the challenges faced by developing communities and countries, including economic inequality, poverty, health and wellness, and the sustainable use of natural resources. Emphasis is placed on interdisciplinary and practical solutions to international development problems.

Courses address both thematic and regional dimensions of international development. Some required and elective courses may also count toward fulfillment of baccalaureate core requirements in categories such as ‘Contemporary Global Issues,’ ‘Cultural Diversity,’ ‘Science, Technology and Society,’ and ‘Social Processes and Institutions.’ Courses will be offered on campus, with the potential for some instruction via Ecampus. Students will be encouraged to participate in research projects, international experiences, and applied work (e.g., internships, service learning, etc.).

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Students putting together a program of study in Global Development Studies should consult their academic advisor. Students are required to take a minimum of 27 credits, as follows.

Code	Title	Credits
Core		
Select two courses from the following:		6
ANTH 482	*ANTHROPOLOGY OF INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT	
ECON 455	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	
GEOG 330	*GEOGRAPHY OF INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND GLOBALIZATION	
PS 345	*POLITICS OF DEVELOPING NATIONS	
Regional Focus		
Select two courses from the following: ¹		6
ANTH 311	*PEOPLES OF THE WORLD-NORTH AMERICA	
ANTH 312	*PEOPLES WORLD-EUROPE	
ANTH 313	*PEOPLES OF THE WORLD-LATIN AMERICA	
ANTH 314	*PEOPLES OF THE WORLD-MIDDLE EAST	
ANTH 315	*PEOPLES OF THE WORLD-AFRICA	
ANTH 316	*PEOPLES OF THE WORLD-SOUTH AND SOUTHEAST ASIA	
ANTH 317	*PEOPLES OF THE WORLD-PACIFIC	
ANTH 318	*PEOPLES OF THE WORLD-CHINA	
ANTH 319	*PEOPLES OF THE WORLD-JAPAN AND KOREA	
GEOG 311	*GEOGRAPHY OF AFRICA	
GEOG 313	*GEOGRAPHY OF ASIA	
GEOG 314	*GEOGRAPHY OF LATIN AMERICA	
HST 320	*ANCIENT NEAR EAST	
HST 350/REL 350	*EARLY LATIN AMERICA	
or HST 351	*MODERN LATIN AMERICA	
HST 381	*HISTORY OF AFRICA	
& HST 382	and *HISTORY OF AFRICA	
HST 392	*MODERN CHINA AND JAPAN	
PS 344	*LATIN AMERICAN POLITICS	
PS 346	*MIDDLE EAST POLITICS	
PS 348	*CHINESE POLITICS	
PS 350	*JAPANESE POLITICS	

Thematic/Topical Focus

Select four or five courses from the following:		15
ANTH 374	*ANTHROPOLOGY AND GLOBAL HEALTH	
ANTH 466	*RURAL ANTHROPOLOGY	
ANTH 481	*NATURAL RESOURCES AND COMMUNITY VALUES	
COMM 326	INTERCULTURAL COMMUNICATION	
COMM 440	THEORIES OF CONFLICT AND CONFLICT MANAGEMENT	
CROP 330	*WORLD FOOD CROPS	
GEOG 240	*HUMAN DIMENSIONS OF CLIMATE CHANGE	
GEOG 300	*SUSTAINABILITY FOR THE COMMON GOOD	
GEOG 330	*GEOGRAPHY OF INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND GLOBALIZATION	
GEOG 331	*POPULATION, CONSUMPTION, AND ENVIRONMENT	
GEOG 431	GLOBAL RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT	
GEOG 432	*GEOGRAPHY OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE	
H 333	*GLOBAL PUBLIC HEALTH	
HDFS 447	*FAMILIES AND POVERTY	
HEST 310	*INTRO TO COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND COMMUNITY-BASED DESIGN	
HEST 411	ENGINEERING DESIGN FOR EMERGENCY & LOW-RESOURCE ENVIRONMENTS	
HEST 412	*MULTIDISCIPLINARY CASE STUDIES IN HUMANITARIAN ENGINEERING, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY	
PHL 443/REL 443	*WORLD VIEWS AND ENVIRONMENTAL VALUES	
PS 205	*INTRODUCTION TO INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS	
PS 458	*INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL ECONOMY	
SOC 381	SOCIAL DIMENSIONS OF SUSTAINABILITY	
SOC 460	THE SOCIOLOGY OF GLOBALIZATION	
SOC 481	*SOCIETY AND NATURAL RESOURCES	
SUS 102	*INTRODUCTION TO ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE AND SUSTAINABILITY	
WGSS 280	*WOMEN WORLDWIDE	
WGSS 373/ES 373/ ANTH 373/WLC 373	APPROACHES TO SOCIAL JUSTICE	
WGSS 480	*GENDER AND TRANSNATIONAL ACTIVISMS	

Experiential, International or Service-Learning

Select 0-3 credits ²	0-3
Total Credits	27-30

* Baccalaureate Core Course (BCC)

^ Writing Intensive Course (WIC)

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Select two courses that focus on a single region of the developing world (eg. HST 350 and ANTH 313)

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Highly encouraged, but not required. Students may fulfill this by taking credits in any discipline listed above involving experiential learning, international exchange, or service learning (eg. ANTH 409, ANTH 410). The OSU Center for Civic Engagement can also help connect students with opportunities

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