

GLOBAL STUDIES, B.A.

Students at the University of South Carolina are living in an increasingly globalized context in which economic, social, environmental, and cultural transformations in one part of the world can affect all others. The Global Studies major is a flexible, interdisciplinary degree program that familiarizes students with the complex historical and contemporary relationships and processes that link together people and places. By focusing on themes relating to globalization, the major also encourages students to recognize and to appreciate the world's diversity. To achieve this end, the major requires students to focus on a particular world region and to attain proficiency in a modern foreign language. The overall aim of the program is to foster in students a critical, global outlook that will allow them to engage with pressing global questions and to thrive in an interconnected world.

Learning Outcomes

- Global Studies majors will employ a variety of disciplinary perspectives to demonstrate a critical understanding of global processes and the theories and concepts used to explain and interpret these processes.
- Global Studies majors will evaluate the interactions between global and local processes by selecting a world region for intensive study.
- Global Studies majors will demonstrate expertise in key global issues through courses in one of four thematic areas: Global Development and Sustainability; Global Health; Global Conflict and Security Studies; and Global Cultural Studies.
- Global Studies majors will demonstrate proficiency in a foreign language, allowing them to study, work, travel, and/or conduct research outside of the United States.
- Students will demonstrate their preparation for appropriate careers or graduate studies.