Created in 1943, The Ohio State University International Studies program is one of the oldest in the country. The program offers an undergraduate liberal arts education that is international and interdisciplinary in focus, promotes a deeper knowledge and understanding of other peoples and cultures, and fosters critical thinking, research, writing, and public speaking skills.

BY THE NUMBERS

International Studies offers students the choice of a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree

11 major specializations
10 minors

Students can major or minor in a single specialization or combine a regional and global problems specialization

40% of students study abroad

50% of International Studies majors are in honors or scholars programs

Five Fulbright Teaching Scholars in 2013-2014

There are unparalleled study abroad opportunities available. Ohio State has more than 100 established programs in 40 countries.

(Anthony Mughan, director, international studies program)

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT: JOSHUA GONZALEZ

Joshua Gonzalez graduated in 2013 with majors in international studies and Spanish. While an undergraduate, Joshua was a member of the university’s Young Scholars Program, interned with an international online newspaper and was a mentor for the Office of Diversity and Inclusion. After graduation he taught English in Spain for a year. Joshua won a 2016 prestigious Rangel Fellowship which funds a two year master’s degree in international affairs.

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MAJOR SPECIALIZATIONS

- African Studies
- Development Studies
- East Asian Studies
- Globalization Studies
- International Relations and Diplomacy
- Latin American Studies
- Middle East Studies
- Security and Intelligence
- Slavic and Eastern Europe
- Western European Studies
- World Economy and Business

WHERE DO OUR GRADUATES GO?

Here’s a sampling:


SELECTED ALUMNI RESEARCH AND ACTIVITIES

Abraham Kanter (2007) graduated magna cum laude with two degrees — International Studies Security and Intelligence and Latin. He has worked at the Center for Strategic and International Studies, researching cyber threats, international crime and terrorism. After, he attended the prestigious Defense Intelligence Scholars Program at the National Defense Intelligence College.

Sabrina Hersi-Issa (2006) was chosen by Forbes magazine in 2012 as one of the “30 Under 30” professionals in the area of Law and Policy, “most impatient to change the world.”

Liam Birt (2011) is a Business Development Manager in New York City for IBISWorld, the world’s largest provider of industry-based research.

Maria Shikary, MD (2005) is a pediatric specialist at the University of California, San Francisco.

Noah M. Schottenstein, JD (2004) is an attorney for the U.S. Department of Justice.

Gretchen Bateman (France) Kaitlin Cutshaw (Italy), Jade Holmes (Ecuador), Matthew Moliterno (Italy), Michelle Peasley (Austria), Domenico Vivirito (Lithuania), and Stephanie Weisfeld (Italy) interned at Overseas U.S. Embassies 2012-13.