

GLOBAL STUDIES PRE-MAJOR

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The following pre-major is recommended for students who are considering completing a Bachelor's degree in Global Studies after transferring to a four-year institution. It is designed for students who have not decided upon a specific four-year college or university. Once a transfer school is selected, students are strongly encouraged to consult the Office of Advising, Transitions, and Student Success and the transfer institution's catalog to select courses that will meet both Oakton and transfer institution requirements.

Students planning to major in Global Studies are highly encouraged to study abroad after their first year at Oakton. Students can study abroad for an entire Fall or Spring semester, for a month in the summer, or for 1-3 weeks over an Interim. Typically, students take 6-7 credits abroad in the Summer, including a modern language course and a Humanities course.

For more information on course selection or program-specific advising, contact the Program Coordinator. Part time students should also consult the Office of Advising, Transitions, and Student Success for part-time pre-major recommendations. **General Education courses should be selected from the list of IAI General Education Courses.**

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
Semester One		
EGL 101	Composition I	3
Select one Modern Language course ¹		4
Select one of the following:		3
PHL 215	Asian Philosophy ²	
PHL 230	Ancient and Medieval Philosophy	
PHL 231	Modern and Contemporary Philosophy	
Select one of the following:		3
HUM 124	African-American Culture and the Arts ³	
HUM 140	Introduction to Women's and Gender Studies ³	
HUM 141	Introduction to LGBTQ Studies ³	
HUM 142	Women and Creativity ³	
Select one of the following:		3
GEG 120	World Regional Geography ²	
GEG 122	Cultural Geography ²	
GEG 130	Introduction to Economic Geography ²	
Hours		16
Semester Two		
ANT 102	Introduction to Social and Cultural Anthropology ²	3
EGL 102	Composition II	3
SSC 201	Introduction to Global Studies ²	3
Select one of the following:		3-4
EGL 130	Introduction to Global Literature ²	
EGL 135	Introduction to Native American Literature ⁴	
EGL 229	[National/Regional] Literature ²	
Modern Language course ¹		
PHL 106	Ethics	
PHL 204	Environmental Ethics	
Select one of the following:		3
ART 114	Art History: Art of the Non-Western World ²	
HUM 123	Introduction to Art	
HUM 125	Introduction To Music	
HUM 131	Introduction to Theater	
HUM 165	Introduction to World Music ²	

MUS 236	Music Literature and History	
Hours		15-16
Total Hours		31-32

Second Year - for students not studying abroad

Course	Title	Hours
Second Year		
Semester One		
BIO 106	Introduction to Environmental Science (lab)	4
SPE 103	Effective Speech	3
MAT 131	Elementary Statistics (or other Mathematics course)	4
Select one Modern Language course ¹		4
Select one Global Studies course		3
Hours		18
Semester Two		
PHL 205	World Religions	3
Select one Modern Language course ¹		4
Select one of the following:		3
PSC 201	Comparative Government ²	
PSC 202	International Relations ²	
Select one Physical Science course without lab:		3
EAS 105	Introduction to Weather and Climate	
EAS 121	Physical Geography	
EAS 125	A Survey of Oceanography	
EAS 205	Environmental Geology	
Select one Global Studies course		3
Hours		16
Total Hours		34

Second Year - for students studying abroad for one semester in second year

OPTION I: Modern Language Immersion Program

(Students take two semesters of Modern Language in one semester abroad)

Course	Title	Hours
Second Year		
Semester One		
Semester One or Two Abroad (see Note 2 below)		
HUM 122	Contemporary Culture and the Arts (or other course that articulates with Oakton's General Education Humanities/ Fine Arts course)	3
Take one course that articulates with Oakton's General Education Social and Behavioral Sciences course		3
Modern Language 101: Beginning I or 201: Intermediate I ¹		4
Modern Language 102: Beginning II or 202: Intermediate II ¹		4
Hours		14
Semester Two		
Semester One or Two at Oakton		
SPE 103	Effective Speech	3
BIO 106	Introduction to Environmental Science ²	4
Modern Language course ¹		4
MAT 125	General Education Mathematics	4
or MAT 131		or Elementary Statistics
Select one Global Studies course		3
Hours		18
Total Hours		32

OPTION II: Non-Language Focused Program

Course	Title	Hours
Second Year		
Semester One		
Semester One or Two Abroad (see Note 2 below)		
HUM 122	Contemporary Culture and the Arts (or other course that articulates with Oakton General Education Humanities/Fine Arts course)	3
Take one course that articulates with Oakton General Education Social and Behavioral Sciences course		3
Take one course that articulates with Oakton General Education Humanities/Fine Arts course		3
Take one course that articulates with any Oakton course (elective)		3
Hours		12
Semester Two		
Semester One or Two at Oakton		
SPE 103	Effective Speech	3
BIO 106	Introduction to Environmental Science ²	4
Modern Language course ¹		4
MAT 125 or MAT 131	General Education Mathematics or Elementary Statistics	4
Select one Global Studies course		3
Hours		18
Total Hours		30

¹ Please note that transfer institutions may have a language requirement, and that only the 202 level language courses meet Humanities and Global Studies requirements.

² Course fulfills the Global Studies requirement. At least one Global Studies course is required for degree completion.

³ Course fulfills the U.S. Diversity Studies requirement. At least one U.S. Diversity Studies course is required for degree completion.

⁴ Course fulfills both, the Global Studies and U.S. Diversity Studies requirements.

Note 1: Pre-major is a recommended sequence and selection of courses. See Associate in Arts (A.A.) page for degree requirements.

Note 2: Students who elected to study Abroad for one semester in second year, should move the Physical Science non-laboratory course and the Global Studies course into other semesters. Instead, they should take Social and Behavioral Studies and Humanities/Fine Arts courses abroad. Students may need to take summer classes to fulfill the general education requirements and meet 60-credit-hour minimum for degree completion.