

# GLOBAL, CULTURAL AND LANGUAGE STUDIES, B.A.

The Global, Cultural and Language Studies Major will provide you with intercultural knowledge, experience and tools to create positive change and help to build strong, diverse communities.

- Global studies will help you understand cultural identity and power structures at both local and global levels.
- Cultural studies combines the strengths of both social sciences and humanities by connecting language, history, anthropology, literary studies, and the arts.
- Language study provides not only the skills to communicate in another language, but also the ability to collaborate with another culture from the inside.

Global, Cultural and Language Studies will give you a chance to explore cultural, economic, political, and personal identities, to think critically about the fundamental issues facing the world today, and to get out into the community to put your passion for social justice into action!

A few of the areas students might investigate as part of the GCL major include:

- cultural and social theory;
- migration;
- sustainable development;
- cultural knowledge and revitalization in indigenous communities;
- community activism;
- peace and conflict;
- human rights.

## Contact Information

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## Learning Outcomes

Global, Cultural and Language Studies Major students will:

1. Understand language as integral to intercultural competence.
2. Achieve world language fluency at the intermediate-mid level following ACTFL (American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages) Proficiency Guidelines.
3. Articulate the role of culture in shaping perception, behavior, attitudes and beliefs.
4. Analyze the issues and problems posed by living and working in an increasingly interconnected global community.
5. Apply interdisciplinary approaches to formulate creative solutions to contemporary global challenges.
6. Evaluate how the integrated knowledge of another language and culture informs actions leading to social justice and peace.

## Requirements

Students must achieve the following program requirements for all courses listed under Program Requirements and Program Required Courses for the Global, Cultural, and Language Studies Major.

## Program Requirements

Major Credits: 44-52

Major Residency Credits: 16

## Program Required Courses

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Language and Culture Proficiency Requirement</b>		
Students may/must achieve intermediate proficiency, and up to 8 credits of language and culture study at the Intermediate level and above may count toward the major.		
ASL 2201 or FRN 2201 or GMN 2201 or OJB 2201 or RUS 2201 or SPN 2101	Intermediate American Sign Language I Intermediate French Intermediate German I Intermediate Ojibwe Language & Culture I Intermediate Russian I Intermediate Spanish I	4
ASL 2202 or FRN 2202 or GMN 2202 or OJB 2202 or RUS 2202 or SPN 2102	Intermediate ASL II French Civilization Intermediate German II Intermediate Ojibwe Language & Culture II Intermediate Russian II Intermediate Spanish II	4
<b>Core Courses</b>		
GCL 1101	Introduction to Global, Cultural and Language Studies	4
GCL 2111	Migration, Diaspora, Identity	4
GCL 3101	Advanced Social and Cultural Theory	4
Select two of these four credits of the following:		8
GCL 2201	Peaceful Resolution of International Conflicts	
GCL 3001	Politics of Globalization	
GCL 3301	Human Rights	
GCL 4402	Environmental Politics	
Select two of the following:		8
ASL 2305	Deaf Culture in the World	
GCL 3302	Europe Today	
GCL 3303	The Other Americas	
GCL 3305	Contemporary Africa	
NAS 2610	Indigenous Peoples of North America	
<b>Cultural Electives</b>		
Select 4 credits of Cultural Electives.		4
GCL 2050	Introduction to Mexico	
GCL 2220	Dance, Gender and Culture	
GCL 2231	Cultural Anthropology	
GCL 2280	Literature in Translation	
GCL/PJS 2480	Community Nonprofits	
GCL/MUS 2500	Music of Latin America	
GCL/SUS 2777	Topics (Frontiers in Sustainability)	
GCL 3200	Popular Music and Political Movements	
GCL 3202	Culture Through Film	
GCL 3304/ HIS 3301	Russia Since 1900	
GCL/HIS 3307	Modern Latin American History	

GCL/MUS 3309	World Music	
GCL/HHU 3401	Healthcare Across Cultures	
GCL/PJS/SUS 3777	Topics (Music as Environmental Activism)	
GCL 3915	The Tanzanian Experience	
HIS 3305	Issues in Mod European History	
<b>Experiential Learning/Study Abroad/Internship (and portfolio)</b>		
The GCL Internship must be completed for 0 - 8 credits.		
GCL 4555	GCL Internship	0-8
<b>Senior Seminar</b>		
GCL 4001	Senior Seminar	4
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>44-52</b>

<sup>1</sup> Must be completed with C or better or equivalency with Departmental approval.

## Degree Requirements

To graduate from the College of St. Scholastica, baccalaureate students must meet the following minimum degree requirements.

**Total Credits: 128**

**Upper Division Credits: 42**

**Residency Requirement: 32**

**Minimum GPA: 2.0**