

International Studies - IS (BAIS)

This is a recommended program of study for students planning to transfer to the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences to earn a Bachelor of Arts, Major - International Studies (IS).

Recommended VCCS Courses	VT Credits 1st. Sem	VT Credits 2nd. Sem	Virginia Tech Course Application
First Year			
ENG 111, 112	3	3	ENGL 1105, 1106
Foreign Language 1000-2000 level ³	3	3	Foreign Language
Critical Thinking in the Humanities ¹	3	3	Critical Thinking in the Humanities Courses
Reasoning in the Natural Sciences ¹	4	4	Reasoning in the Natural Sciences Courses
Quantitative and Computational Thinking ¹	3	3	Quantitative and Computational Thinking< Courses
TOTAL	16	16	
Second Year			
Foreign Language 2000 Level ³	3	3	Foreign Language
PLS 241	3		IS 2054
Critique and Practice in Design and the Arts ¹	3	3	Critique and Practice in Design and the Arts Courses
Elective Courses for the IS Major - Choose 9 credits ⁴	3	6	Elective Courses for the IS Major
Transferable electives ²		3	Free Electives
TOTAL	12	15	

Footnotes

¹ See VCCS General Education Requirements: Pathways Core Concepts.

² See VCCS Transferable courses at VCCS and Richard Bland Transferable Courses

³ These foreign language courses are in addition to the courses used to fulfill the foreign language requirement given below. All IS students need to be prepared to enter upper-level foreign language courses upon entry into Virginia Tech.

⁴ Choose up to 9 credits for Elective Courses for the IS Major.

HIS 203 History African Civilization I	AFST 1814 Introduction to African Studies
CST 114 Survey of Mass Media	COMM 2084 Media and Society
ECO 202 Principles of Microeconomics	ECON 2005 Principles of Economics
ECO 201 Principles of Macroeconomics	ECOM 2006 Principles of Economics

GEO 210 People and Land: Intro to Cultural Geography	GEOG 1004 Introduction to Human Geography
GEO 220 World Regional Geography or (GEO 221 + 222) ⁵ Regions of the World I, II	GEOG 1014 World Regions
GEO 225 Economic Geography	GEOG 2134 Geography of the Global Economy
HIS 135 History Contemporary World	HIST 1214 History of the Modern World
HIS 111, 112 History Western Civilization I & II	HIST 1215/1216 Introduction to World History
HIS 231 History of Latin American Civilizations I	HIST 1224 Introduction to Latin America
HUM 202 Survey Western Culture II or 260 Survey 20th Century Culture	HUM 1324 Introduction to HUM: The Modern World
CST 229 Intercultural Communication	HUM 3204 Multicultural Communication
PLS 255 Introduction to Peace and Stability Operations	Peace and Violence
PLS 135 American National Politics or (PLS 211 + 212) ⁵ U.S. Government I, II	PSCI 1014 Intro Government and Politics + PSCI 2XXX PSCI Elective
PLS 140	PSCI 1024 Introduction to Comparative Government and Politics
SOC 200 or (201 + 202) ⁵	SOC 1004 Introduction to Sociology
SOC 211 + 2125	SOC 1014 Introduction to Social Anthropology
SOC 268	SOC 2004 Social Problems

⁵ Student must take both courses in order to receive transfer credit at Virginia Tech. Please be in contact with the CLAHS contact listed in the Transfer Guide if you have questions about the Pathways Core Concepts and VCCS courses that can be used to fulfill them.

Foreign Language: The minimum requirement may be met in high school by completing 3 units of a single foreign or classical language credit or American Sign Language credit. The requirement may also be met by one of the following before or after transfer admission:

- Those who have taken 2 years of a single foreign language in high school can complete the 1106 equivalent course at their current college in the same language as taken in high school or by taking the 1106 course at Virginia Tech.
- Students who have not completed two units of a single foreign language in high school MUST earn six semester hours of college-level foreign or classical language credit (ex: 1105-1106). These six hours are in addition to the 120 hours required for graduation.