GLOBAL STUDIES

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Graduate Minor: Global Studies

Graduate Program
The Center for Global Studies, with the assistance of an all-campus
Faculty Advisory Committee, administers an interdisciplinary and inter-
professional Graduate Minor in Global Studies in cooperation with 25
units across 8 colleges as well as the School of Labor and Employment
Relations and the Graduate School of Library and Information Science.
The Minor develops awareness and knowledge of globalization and
the relevance of this process to student degree programs and career
objectives. It is intended to serve three constituencies of students: those
seeking to integrate their specialized skills within the broader intellectual
and public policy demands of a global society; those proceeding to
disciplinary or professionally-based doctoral work; and those for whom
the Minor enhances their disciplinary and professional credentials in
seeking public or private employment for posts relevant to global studies
and policy-making.

Graduate Minor in Global Studies
There are no prerequisites for the Graduate Minor. Students must be in
good standing as a graduate student and should demonstrate an interest
in globalization and the issues that this process poses for the world’s
populations. Students must submit an online admission form, indicating
the courses that the student proposes to enroll in, the approval of the
student’s primary advisor and graduate program director, and a brief
statement outlining the relation of the Graduate Minor to the student’s
degree and career objectives. The student’s department must review
the request and approval must be provided by the student’s primary
advisor and departmental authorized signatory. For the Graduate Minor
in Global Studies, students must complete one of two core courses,
either GLBL 500 (4 hours) or GLBL 501 (4 hours) and two additional
courses (8 hours) relevant to the student’s proposed minor. There is no
language requirement for the Minor, but advanced language competence
is strongly encouraged.

GLBL 500  Global Society  4
or GLBL 501  Perspectives on Global Studies
Two courses relevant to a student’s proposed minor as approved by the Director of the Center for Global Studies. At
least of one the courses must be at the 500-level and only one
can be from the student’s home department.

Total Hours 12

1 For additional details and requirements refer to the unit’s web site (http://cgs.illinois.edu/academics/gradminor), and the Graduate College Handbook (http://www.grad.uiuc.edu/gradhandbook).