

Global Perspectives

The aim of this cluster is to introduce students to the richness of cultures in Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America, and the Middle East, drawing on perspectives from the humanities and social sciences. Through exploring the interplay between political, economic, environmental, and cultural systems, past and present, students will develop skills and attitudes to function as "global citizens."

[List of Courses Offered](#)

[Learning Outcomes](#)

Sophomore Inquiry:

The Sophomore Inquiry course for this Cluster is **UNST 233**.

Study Abroad Opportunities:

Visit [Study Abroad's UNST Resource page](#) to get the most up-to-date information regarding earning UNST credits abroad.

Additional Resources:

[Library research guide](#)

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on minors and certificates**

Art History (Certificate)

24 credits: two Art History Seminars (ARH 407 and 449) and four additional upper-division ARH courses (4 CH each).

Any of the courses listed below may count towards electives.

Visit the [Art History website](#) which fully details the requirements and consult with an advisor.

Courses:

- ARH 311U: History of Asian Art
- ARH 321U: Survey of Korean Art
- ARH 381U: Nineteenth Century Art I
- ARH 382U: Nineteenth Century Art II
- ARH 415U: Issues in Asian Art
- ARH 422U: Chinese Painting
- ARH 423U: Japanese Painting
- ARH 425U: Modern Japanese Painting

Asian Studies (Certificate)

28 credits: must be approved electives along with 2 years of approved foreign language.

The courses listed below may apply toward the 28 credits of advisor-approved electives.

Visit the [International Studies Certificate Programs site](#) which fully details the requirements and consult with an advisor.

Courses:

- ANTH 312U: Southeast Asian Societies and Cultures
- ANTH 317U: Peoples and Cultures of South Asia
- ANTH 318U: Asian American Experience
- ARH 311U: History of Asian Art
- ARH 415U: Issues in Asian Art
- ARH 422U: Chinese Painting
- ARH 423U: Japanese Painting
- ARH 425U: Modern Japanese Painting
- CHN 341U: Topics in Chinese Literature and Thought
- CHN 342U: Chinese Vernacular Literature (Traditional)
- CHN 343U: Chinese Vernacular Literature (Modern)
- GEOG 352U: The Himalaya and Tibet
- HST 320U: East Asian Civilization
- HST 321U: Early Modern East Asia, 1300-1800
- HST 322U: Modern East Asia
- INTL 317U: Topics in Asian Thought
- JPN 341U: Topics in Japanese Lit.: Intro to Classical and Medieval Japanese Lit.
- JPN 342U: Topics in Japanese Lit.: Intro to Early Modern and Modern Japanese Lit.
- JPN 344U: Manga: Japanese Graphic Novel
- JPN 361U: Japanese Literature Through Film
- KOR 330U: Korean Popular Culture
- MUS 375U: World Music II: Asia

Chicano/Latino Studies (Certificate)

36 credits: 12 credits must be upper-division, one of which must be 400-level.

CHLA 301, CHLA 302 and CHLA 303 are required. Any other courses listed below can satisfy a portion of the elective minor requirements.

Visit the [Chicano/Latino Studies website](#) which fully details the requirements and consult with an advisor.

Courses:

- CHLA 302U: Survey of Chicano/Latino Literature
- CHLA 303U: Chicana/Latina Experience
- CHLA 375U: Southwestern Borderlands History

Contemporary Turkish Studies (Certificate)

28 credits: approved electives and 2 years of approved foreign language.

The courses listed below may apply toward the 28 credits of advisor-approved electives.

Visit the [Center for Turkish Studies website](#) which fully details the requirements and consult with an advisor.

Courses:

- AR 441U: Major Arabic Works in Translation
- GEOG 364U: Geography of the Middle East
- HST 385U: Late Imperial Middle East, 1700-1914
- HST 386U: Middle East in the Twentieth Century
- INTL 331U: Women in the Middle East (Crosslisted with WS 331U)
- INTL 332U: Islamic Movements in the Contemporary Muslim World
- PS 361U: Intro to the Politics of the Middle East
- TUR 330U: Topics in Turkish Culture and Literature
- TUR 331U: Women and Gender in Turkey
- TUR 341U: Turkish Literature in Translation
- TUR 361U: Turkey Through Film

European Studies (Certificate)

28 credits: must be approved electives along with 2 years of approved foreign language.

The courses listed below may apply toward the 28 credits of advisor-approved electives.

Visit the [International Studies Certificate Programs site](#) which fully details the requirements and consult with an advisor.

Courses:

- DANE 347U: Major Works in Danish Literature
- GEOG 354U: Geography of Europe
- GEOG 355U: Landscapes of Spain
- GEOG 356U: Russia and Its Neighbors
- HST 357U: Europe from Reformation to Revolutions
- HST 358U: Europe from National Unification to European Union
- HST 360U: French Revolution and Napoleon
- INTL 350U: The City in Europe
- INTL 352U: The City in Europe: Humanities
- PS 352U: Western European Politics
- RUS 330U: Russian Culture and Civilization

Global Studies (Certificate)

20 credits: 16 upper-division elective credits. Students completing an International Studies major or minor will not be eligible to receive a global studies certificate.

Any of the courses listed below can satisfy a portion of both the upper-division and elective credits of the minor requirements.

Visit the [Global Studies Undergraduate \(certificate\) webpage](#) which fully details the requirements and consult with an advisor.

Courses:

- ANTH 311U: Peoples and Cultures of Latin America
- ANTH 312U: Southeast Asian Societies and Cultures
- ANTH 317U: Peoples and Cultures of South Asia
- BST 306U: African History Since 1800 (Crosslisted with HST 313U)
- BST 325U: Race and Ethnicity in Latin America
- BST 363U: African Cinema and African Cultures
- BST 372U: Postcolonial Studies of Africa (Crosslisted with INTL 372U)
- BST 422U: African Fiction
- BST 467U: African Development Issues
- CHLA 375U: Southwestern Borderlands History
- EC 350U: Economics of Development
- GEOG 350U: Geography of World Affairs
- GEOG 353U: Pacific Rim
- GEOG 354U: Geography of Europe
- GEOG 356U: Russia and Its Neighbors
- GEOG 360U: Latin America
- GEOG 363U: Geography of Africa
- GEOG 364U: Geography of the Middle East
- HST 313U: African History Since 1800 (Crosslisted with BST 306U)
- HST 318U: Jewish History from Medieval to Present (Crosslist with JST 318U)
- HST 322U: Modern East Asia
- HST 357U: Europe from Reformation to Revolutions
- HST 358U: Europe from National Unification to European Union
- HST 362U: Amazon Rainforest (Crosslisted with INTL 362U)
- HST 366U: Latin American History II
- HST 377U: History of the Soviet Union and Post-Soviet Russia
- HST 386U: Middle East in the Twentieth Century
- INTL 321U: Globalization and Identity: Humanities
- INTL 322U: Globalization and Identity: Social Science
- INTL 323U: Tradition and Innovation: Humanities
- INTL 324U: Tradition and Innovation: Social Science
- INTL 331U: Women in the Middle East (Crosslisted with WS 331U)
- INTL 332U: Islamic Movements in the Contemporary Muslim World
- INTL 341U: Environment and Development in Latin America
- INTL 342U: Globalization and Conflict in Latin America
- INTL 343U: From Silver to Cocaine
- INTL 350U: The City in Europe
- INTL 362U: Amazon Rainforest (Crosslisted with HST 362U)

- INTL 372U: Postcolonial Studies of Africa (Crosslisted with BST 372U)
- JST 318U: Jewish History from Medieval to Present (Crosslist with HST 318U)
- PS 352U: Western European Politics
- PS 353U: Intro to Latin American Politics
- PS 355U: Intro to African Politics
- PS 361U: Intro to the Politics of the Middle East
- PS 362U: The Arab-Israeli Conflict
- USP 317U: Intro to International Community Development
- WS 331U: Women in the Middle East (Crosslisted with INTL 331U)

Latin American Studies (Certificate)

28 credits: approved electives and 2 years of approved foreign language.

The courses listed below may apply toward the 28 credits of advisor-approved electives.

Visit the [International Studies Certificate Programs site](#) which fully details the requirements and consult with an advisor.

Courses:

- ANTH 311U: Peoples and Cultures of Latin America
- BST 325U: Race and Ethnicity in Latin America
- BST 326U: Cuba, Dominican Republic, Puerto Rico
- BST 356U: Cuban Film: Politics and Culture
- BST 357U: Caribbean Spirituality
- BST 377U: Voudon, Rasta and Islam in the Caribbean
- BST 406U: Caribbean Overseas Program
- BST 420U: Caribbean Literature
- BST 440U: Caribbean Studies
- CHLA 303U: Chicana/Latina Experience
- CHLA 375U: Southwestern Borderlands History
- EC 338U: Political Economy of Latin American Development
- GEOG 360U: Latin America
- HST 365U: Latin American History I
- HST 366U: Latin American History II
- INTL 341U: Environment and Development in Latin America
- INTL 342U: Globalization and Conflict in Latin America
- INTL 362U: Amazon Rainforest (Crosslisted with HST 362U)
- INTL 364U: Modern Brazil
- PS 353U: Intro to Latin American Politics
- SCI 357U: Sustain US/Mexico Border Region

Middle East Studies (Certificate)

28 credits: approved electives and 2 years of approved foreign language.

The courses listed below may apply toward the 28 credits of advisor-approved electives.

Visit the [International Studies Certificate Programs site](#) which fully details the requirements and consult with an advisor.

Courses:

- AR 441U: Major Arabic Works in Translation
- GEOG 364U: Geography of the Middle East
- HST 318U: Jewish History from Medieval to Present (Crosslist with JST 318U)
- HST 385U: Late Imperial Middle East, 1700-1914
- HST 386U: Middle East in the Twentieth Century
- INTL 331U: Women in the Middle East (Crosslisted with WS 331U)
- INTL 332U: Islamic Movements in the Contemporary Muslim World
- PER 330U: Persian Culture and Civilization
- PS 361U: Intro to the Politics of the Middle East
- PS 362U: The Arab-Israeli Conflict
- TUR 330U: Topics in Turkish Culture and Literature

Anthropology Minor

28 credits: 12 credits must be upper-division, one of which must be 400-level; at least 12 credits must be taken in residence at PSU.

Any of the courses listed below can satisfy a portion of the minor requirements.

Visit the [Anthropology Department website](#) which fully details the requirements and consult with an advisor.

Courses:

- ANTH 311U: Peoples and Cultures of Latin America
- ANTH 312U: Southeast Asian Societies and Cultures
- ANTH 317U: Peoples and Cultures of South Asia
- ANTH 318U: Asian American Experience
- ANTH 319U: Traditional Cultures of Africa (Crosslisted with BST 319U)
- ANTH 362U: African Prehistory

Black Studies Minor

28 credits: eight credits lower-division credits in Black Studies, 12 upper-division credits in Black Studies, and eight advisor-approved credits chosen from courses within the departments in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; at least 12 credits must be taken in residence at PSU.

Any of the courses listed below can satisfy a portion of the minor requirements.

Visit the [Black Studies Degree website](#) which fully details the requirements and consult with an advisor.

Courses:

- ANTH 319U: Traditional Cultures of Africa (Crosslisted with BST 319U)
- ANTH 362U: African Prehistory
- BST 306U: African History Since 1800 (Crosslisted with HST 313U)
- BST 319U: Traditional Cultures of Africa (Crosslisted with ANTH 319U)
- BST 325U: Race and Ethnicity in Latin America
- BST 326U: Cuba, Dominican Republic, Puerto Rico
- BST 351U: African American Literature I (Crosslisted with ENG 351U)
- BST 352U: African American Literature II (Crosslisted with ENG 352U)
- BST 353U: African Women in Film
- BST 356U: Cuban Film: Politics and Culture
- BST 357U: Caribbean Spirituality
- BST 362U: African Prehistory
- BST 363U: African Cinema and African Cultures
- BST 372U: Postcolonial Studies of Africa (Crosslisted with INTL 372U)
- BST 377U: Voudon, Rasta and Islam in the Caribbean
- BST 384U: African Immigrant Communities in Oregon
- BST 406U: Caribbean Overseas Program
- BST 414U: Racism
- BST 420U: Caribbean Literature
- BST 422U: African Fiction
- BST 425U: Black Cinema: the 1970s
- BST 426U: Contemporary African-American Cinema
- BST 427U: African-American Films and Film Makers
- BST 440U: Caribbean Studies
- BST 467U: African Development Issues
- BST 470U: African Art
- ENG 351U: African American Literature I (Crosslisted with BST 351U)
- ENG 352U: African American Literature II (Crosslisted with BST 352U)
- ENG 353U: African American Literature III
- HST 312U: African History Before 1800
- HST 313U: African History Since 1800 (Crosslisted with BST 306U)
- INTL 372U: Postcolonial Studies of Africa (Crosslisted with BST 372U)
- MUS 374U: World Music I: Africa
- PS 355U: Intro to African Politics

Chicano/Latino Studies Minor

28 credits: 16 required credits; 12 upper-division elective credits.

CHLA 301U, CHLA 302U, and CHLA 303U are required, any of the other courses listed below may count toward electives.

Visit the [Chicano/Latino Studies website](#) which fully details the requirements and consult with an advisor.

Courses:

- CHLA 302U: Survey of Chicano/Latino Literature
- CHLA 303U: Chicana/Latina Experience
- CHLA 375U: Southwestern Borderlands History

English Minor

28 credits: 16 credits must be upper-division; 12 credits must be literature courses; at least 12 credits must be taken in residence at PSU.

Any of the courses listed below can satisfy a portion of the minor requirements.

Visit the [English Department website](#) which fully details the requirements and consult with an advisor.

Courses:

- ENG 330U: Jewish and Israeli Literature
- ENG 345U: Modern British Literature
- ENG 351U: African American Literature I (Crosslisted with BST 351U)
- ENG 352U: African American Literature II (Crosslisted with BST 352U)
- ENG 353U: African American Literature III

Film Studies Minor

28 credits: 12 credits must be upper-division.

8 credits are required; the courses listed below may apply toward the 20 credits of advisor-approved electives.

Visit the [Theatre + Film Department website](#) which fully details the requirements and consult with an advisor.

Courses:

- BST 425U: Black Cinema: the 1970s
- BST 426U: Contemporary African-American Cinema
- BST 427U: African-American Films and Film Makers
- DANE 361U: Danish Film from Dreyer to Dogmer
- JPN 361U: Japanese Literature Through Film
- RUS 331U: Russian Literature and Film

Geography Minor

28 credits: 16 credits must be upper-division; at least 12 credits must be taken in residence at PSU.

Any of the courses listed below may apply toward the 16 credits of advisor-approved electives.

Visit the [Geography Department website](#) which fully details the requirements and consult with an advisor.

Courses:

- GEOG 350U: Geography of World Affairs
- GEOG 352U: The Himalaya and Tibet
- GEOG 353U: Pacific Rim
- GEOG 354U: Geography of Europe
- GEOG 355U: Landscapes of Spain
- GEOG 356U: Russia and Its Neighbors
- GEOG 360U: Latin America
- GEOG 363U: Geography of Africa
- GEOG 364U: Geography of the Middle East

History Minor

32 credits: 16 credits must be upper-division; 8 credits must be 400-level; at least 16 credits must be taken in residence at PSU.

Any of the courses listed below may apply toward the 16 credits of advisor-approved electives.

Visit the [History Department website](#) which fully details the requirements and consult with an advisor.

Courses:

- HST 312U: African History Before 1800
- HST 313U: African History Since 1800 (Crosslisted with BST 306U)
- HST 318U: Jewish History from Medieval to Present (Crosslist with JST 318U)
- HST 320U: East Asian Civilization
- HST 321U: Early Modern East Asia, 1300-1800
- HST 322U: Modern East Asia
- HST 351U: History of England II: 18th-20th Century
- HST 357U: Europe from Reformation to Revolutions
- HST 358U: Europe from National Unification to European Union
- HST 360U: French Revolution and Napoleon
- HST 362U: Amazon Rainforest (Crosslisted with INTL 362U)
- HST 365U: Latin American History I
- HST 366U: Latin American History II
- HST 376U: History of Imperial Russia, 1700-1917
- HST 377U: History of the Soviet Union and Post-Soviet Russia
- HST 379U: History of Zionism (Crosslist with JST 379U)
- HST 380U: The Holocaust (Crosslist with JST 380U)
- HST 385U: Late Imperial Middle East, 1700-1914
- HST 386U: Middle East in the Twentieth Century

International Studies Minor

28 credits: 12 required credits; 16 advisor-approved electives; along with 2 years of approved foreign language.

The courses listed below may apply toward the 16 credits of advisor-approved electives.

Visit the [International Studies Program website](#) which fully details the requirements and consult with an advisor.

Courses:

- INTL 317U: Topics in Asian Thought
- INTL 321U: Globalization and Identity: Humanities
- INTL 322U: Globalization and Identity: Social Science
- INTL 323U: Tradition and Innovation: Humanities
- INTL 324U: Tradition and Innovation: Social Science
- INTL 331U: Women in the Middle East (Crosslisted with WS 331U)
- INTL 332U: Islamic Movements in the Contemporary Muslim World
- INTL 341U: Environment and Development in Latin America
- INTL 342U: Globalization and Conflict in Latin America
- INTL 350U: The City in Europe
- INTL 352U: The City in Europe: Humanities
- INTL 362U: Amazon Rainforest (Crosslisted with HST 362U)
- INTL 364U: Modern Brazil
- INTL 372U: Postcolonial Studies of Africa (Crosslisted with BST 372U)

Judaic Studies Minor

28 credits: 16 credits must be upper-division; at least 12 credits must be in residence at PSU.

Any of the courses listed below may count towards electives.

Visit the [Judaic Studies Website](#) which fully details the requirements and consult with an advisor.

Courses:

- JST 318U: Jewish History from Medieval to Present (Crosslist with HST 318U)
- JST 379U: History of Zionism (Crosslist with HST 379U)
- JST 380U: The Holocaust (Crosslist with HST 380U)
- JST 388U: History of Modern Israel

Political Science Minor

28 credits: at least 16 credits must be taken in residence at PSU; 20 credits must be upper-division electives; at least 12 of which must be 400-level.

Any of the courses listed below can satisfy a portion of the minor requirements.

Visit the [Political Science Department website](#) which fully details the requirements and consult with an advisor.

Courses:

- PS 352U: Western European Politics
- PS 353U: Intro to Latin American Politics
- PS 355U: Intro to African Politics
- PS 361U: Intro to the Politics of the Middle East
- PS 362U: The Arab-Israeli Conflict
- PS 385U: Modern Ideologies

Music History Minor

31 credits: 19 credits must be upper-division; at least 17 credits must be taken in residence at PSU.

Any of the courses listed below can satisfy a portion of the minor requirements.

Visit the [Music History website](#) which fully details the requirements and consult with an advisor.

Courses:

- MUS 301U: Survey of Music Literature I
- MUS 302U: Survey of Music Literature II
- MUS 374U: World Music I: Africa
- MUS 375U: World Music II: Asia