International and Asian Studies

This innovative programme takes on a regional and international focus to examine the emerging role of Asia in the world. It integrates knowledge from various disciplines including international relations, sociology, political science, economics and law as well as in-depth knowledge of the region to address complex issues concerning Asia and the world.

This programme aims to produce global-minded citizens by encouraging students to be multi-lingual, to participate in study missions and other international experiences.

There are other enrichment programmes designed specifically for their major such as writing and publishing workshop, special internships with international organizations and NGOs, and joint programmes or partnership arrangements with leading universities.

Programme structure

To fulfill the requirements of the International and Asian Studies second major, students must complete eight courses from the following lists:

1. **Compulsory courses**

   - IAS001 Exploring Asian Identities
   - POSC103 World Politics

2. **Electives [choose five: two from (A) and two from (B) and one from (A) or (B)]**

   **(A) History, Culture and Society**

   - ARTS007 Society and Culture in Film
   - HUMN004 Cultural Identities and the Arts
   - HUMN010 Governance of Ethnic Relations in Singapore
   - HUMN011 20th Century Chinese Literature
   - IAS102 Southeast Asian Literature
   - IAS201 Popular Culture in Asia
   - IAS203 History of Southeast Asia
   - IAS205 Managing Diversity in Asia
   - IAS301 Culture, Society and Religion in Indonesia
   - IAS303 Special Topics in Asian History, Culture, and Society
   - MGMT.304 Entrepreneurial Leadership in Ethnic Chinese Business
   - PHIL207 Introduction to Classical Chinese Philosophy
   - SOCG105 Contemporary East Asian Societies
   - SOCG109 Contemporary South Asian Societies
   - SOCG110 Deconstructing Singapore Society
   - SOCG218 Social Problems in Asia
   - SOCG222 Nation-Building in Asia

   **(B) Politics, Economics and Law**

   - ACCT003 Capital Markets in China
   - ECON118 Economic Development in Asia
   - ECON238 Political Economy of Globalization
   - IAS103 Changing Public Policy in Singapore
   - IAS204 State Society Relations in China
   - IAS304 Special Topics in Asian Politics, Economics, and Law
   - LAW404 Public International Law
   - LAW410/LGST227 World Trade Organization: Law, Economics and Policy*
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3. Engaging the field (choose one)

- IAS305 IAS Study Mission
- IAS306 Special Project (in partnership with other institutions)
- IAS307 IAS Independent Project
- POSC307 Political Science Study Mission
- POSC313 Political Science Study Mission to Europe
- POSC317 Special Projects with International Organisations
- SOCG306 Sociology Study Mission

In addition, IAS majors must fulfill the following requirements:

(a) Take one GE (language) from the following list:

- FNCH201 French
- INDN201 Bahasa Indonesia
- JPAN201 Japanese
- KREA201 Korean
- MAND201 Mandarin
- MLAY201 Bahasa Melayu
- SPAN201 Spanish
- THA201 Thai

(b) Attend a non-credit IAS Workshop (SSW002), typically offered in Term 2 of the Academic Year.

Policy on double counting:

BSocSc students are not allowed to double count any of the Social Science electives cross-listed under the IAS 2nd Major. For example, a BSocSc student may take SOCG218 Social Problems in Asia as IAS elective or as Sociology elective, but not both.

*LLB students should take the LAW version while non-LLB students should take the LGST version. Either version may be counted towards the fulfillment of requirements for this major.