Impact Program

The comparative international studies major is an impacted program. To be admitted to the comparative international studies major, students must meet the following criteria:

- a. Complete preparation for the major;
- b. Complete a minimum of 60 transferable semester units;
- c. Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0.

To complete the major, students must fulfill the degree requirements for the major described in the catalog in effect at the time they are accepted into the premajor at SDSU (assuming continuous enrollment).

Major Academic Plans (MAPs)

Visit [http://www.sdsu.edu/mymap](http://www.sdsu.edu/mymap) for the recommended courses needed to fulfill your major requirements. The MAPs website was created to help students navigate the course requirements for their majors and to identify which General Education course will also fulfill a major preparation course requirement.

Comparative International Studies Major

With the B.A. Degree in Liberal Arts and Sciences

(Major Code: 22997) (SIMS Code: 117002)

All candidates for a degree in liberal arts and sciences must complete the graduation requirements listed in the section of this catalog on “Graduation Requirements.”

A minor in a foreign language is required with this major. See list of foreign language minors in the General Catalog. Students are encouraged to contact their minor adviser to discuss the benefits of taking a foreign language oral proficiency test administered by the American Council on Teaching Foreign Languages (ACTFL). The program also requires at least one preapproved study abroad experience.

Courses in the major cannot be double-counted.

Preparation for the Major (15 units)

Choose three units from each of the groups A, B, and C:

(A) Humanities: Comparative Literature 270A or 270B, History 100 or 101, Humanities 101, Religious Studies 101, Women Studies 102.

(B) Social Sciences: Anthropology 102, Geography 102 or 106, Linguistics 101, Political Science 103, Women’s Studies 101.

(C) Statistics: Economics 201, Political Science 201, Sociology 201 or equivalent.

Choose six units from any combination of regions in group D:

(D) Regions: (Asia) Asian Studies 100 or 101; (Europe) European Studies 101; (Latin America and the Caribbean) Latin American Studies 101; (North Africa and West Asia-Middle East) History 100 or 101, Religious Studies 101. (History 100, 101, and Religious Studies 101 can only be included for this group if not taken for group (A) above.)

Recommended for General Education in Foundations of Learning, Life Sciences: Anthropology 101 or Biology 101; Physical Sciences: Environmental Science 100 (or Sustainability 100), Geography 101, or Geological Sciences 100.

Language Requirement. Comparative international studies majors are required to complete a minor in a foreign language. The minor in a foreign language in one of the two world regions identified as a primary or secondary area of focus will fulfill the foreign language requirement for the major. (Contact minor adviser about the benefits of taking an ACTFL foreign language oral proficiency test.)

Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement. Passing the Writing Placement Assessment with a score of 10 or completing one of the approved upper division writing courses (W) with a grade of C (2.0) or better. See “Graduation Requirements” section for a complete listing of requirements.

Study Abroad Requirement. All comparative international studies majors are required to participate in an international experience amounting to a minimum of three weeks spent abroad and completing a minimum of three units of study abroad in one of
the two world regions identified as a primary or secondary area of focus. To meet this requirement, majors must complete one or a combination of the following with the approval and written consent of the undergraduate adviser:
1. A CSU Study Abroad Program;
2. An SDSU Exchange Program;
3. An SDSU Semester Abroad Program;
4. An SDSU Study Travel Program;
5. General Studies 450.

Major. A minimum of 33 upper division units to include Comparative International Studies 400 and nine units from three of the following four thematic areas selected from two or more departments:
(A) Human and Social Development: Geography 353, 573, History 441, Linguistics 551, Political Science 361, Sociology 352, 433, Women's Studies 310, 580;
(B) Culture and Society: Anthropology 303, 350, 353 [or Sustainability 353], 410, 422, 424 [or Religious Studies 424], 439, Geography 312, 554, Linguistics 350, Philosophy 340, 514, 516;
(C) Populations and Borders: Anthropology 402, Chicana and Chicano Studies 355 [or Latin American Studies 355], 554, Geography 354, Latin American Studies 430 [or Political Science 430], Philosophy 332 [or Sustainability 332], Political Science 380, 565, Sociology 350, Women's Studies 581;
(D) Institutions and Change: Philosophy 328, 344, Political Science 375, 485, 577, Sociology 457, Women's Studies 530;
Complete 21 units from two of the six following world regions selecting 12 units from one regional area and nine units from the other regional area:
(A) Africa: Africana Studies 320, 465 [or French 465], 473, Comparative Literature 440, Political Science 364;
(B) Asia (China): Asian Studies 351 [or Philosophy 351], 458 [or Religious Studies 458] or History 420, History 421 [or Asian Studies 421], 567, 566 or Political Science 575, Political Science 365;
(C) Asia (General): Asian Studies 300 or 320, Asian Studies 460 [or Filipino 460], History 570, Korean 321 [or Asian Studies 321], Philosophy 353 or Religious Studies 338 or 341 or 345, Philosophy 565, Political Science 362 or 575, Religious Studies 315 or 339, Women's Studies 331;
(D) Europe: Classics 320 or 330, Comparative Literature 513, European Studies 301, 424, 501, French 424 or Humanities 310, German 320, History 408, 527, Humanities 407, Italian 424, Philosophy 505 or 506 or 508, Political Science 356, Russian 310 or Humanities 330, Women's Studies 340;
(E) Latin America and the Caribbean: Anthropology 442, Chicana and Chicano Studies 400 [or Latin American Studies 400], Comparative Literature 445, Geography 324, History 415 [or Latin American Studies 415], 416, 551, 558, Latin American Studies 307 [or Portuguese 307], Political Science 366 [or Latin American Studies 366], 566;
(F) North Africa and West Asia (Middle East): Arabic 330, History 473, 474, Political Science 363, Religious Studies 310, 320, 328, 330, Women's Studies 560.

Courses (CINTS)
Refer to Courses and Curricula and University Policies sections of this catalog for explanation of the course numbering system, unit or credit hour, prerequisites, and related information.

LOWER DIVISION COURSE
CINTS 296. Experimental Topics (1-4)
Selected topics. May be repeated with new content. See Class Schedule for specific content. Limit of nine units of any combination of 296, 496, 596 courses applicable to a bachelor's degree.

UPPER DIVISION COURSES
(Intended for Undergraduates)
CINTS 400. Comparative International Studies Capstone (3)
Prerequisites: Upper division standing and completion of minimum three weeks of study abroad.
Capstone course for comparative international studies major. Completion of research project based on coursework and study abroad experience.
CINTS 496. Experimental Topics (1-4)
Selected topics. May be repeated with new content. See Class Schedule for specific content. Limit of nine units of any combination of 296, 496, 596 courses applicable to a bachelor's degree.
CINTS 499. Special Study (1-6)
Prerequisite: Consent of instructor.
Individual study. Maximum credit six units.