International studies entails exploring the relations between states and other economic and political elements in the international system. This field of study challenges and encourages students to examine international and global concerns from a wide variety of perspectives. It also develops a broader understanding of the issues that are facing the international community and of the political, economic, historical, cultural and geographical changes taking place around the world. Moreover, international studies students are encouraged to design, implement and assess international public policy.

**Possible Career Options**

- Arbitrator
- Intelligence Analyst
- Ambassador
- Customs Agent
- Law Enforcement Officer
- Diplomat
- Legislative Assistant
- Professor
- High School Teacher
- Economic Analyst
- Market Researcher
- Economic Development Coordinator
- Military Officer
- Foreign Service Officer
- Journalist
- Political Analyst
- Government Caseworker
- Politician
- Government Consultant
- Public Relations Officer
- International Developer
- Translator
- International Management Consultant
- United Nations Worker
- Interpreter
- Writer
- Humanitarian Aid Worker
- Community Development Professional
Skills Required

- Ability to persuade and influence people
- Ability to understand different personalities and characters
- Ability to work well with people
- Ability to make appropriate decisions and sound judgments
- Ability to solve problems
- Ability to understand and apply the results of political and economic research
- Knowledge of international politics, economies, cultures and issues
- Proficiency in written and oral communication
- Ability to understand, analyze and communicate information

Personal Attributes

- Achievement-oriented
- Flexible
- Knowledgeable
- Patient
- Self-confident
- Friendly
- Aspiring
- Alert
- Fair and open minded
- Interest in working with people

Ways to Get Experience

- Doing an internship
- Attending political and economics-related lectures, workshops or conventions
- Working part-time in a media firm or an international corporation
- Volunteering for an international organization or aid agency
- Keeping abreast of media coverage of international events
- Participating in events such as Model United Nations

Possible Employers

- Airlines
- Multinational Firms
- Banks
- Military
- Colleges and Universities
- Media Firms
- Consulting Firms
- Non-Profit Organizations
- Communication Companies
- Research and Development Firms
- Government Agencies
- World Trade Associations
- International Companies
- High Schools
- Newspapers