GLOBAL STUDIES (GLOB)

Courses

GLOB 241. Introduction to Global Politics. 3 Credit Hours.
This course is an introduction to the field of global politics, also known as international relations. It focuses on a variety of interconnected topics, including the development of the nation-state system and political interactions among countries over issues of war and peace, human rights, and economic and environmental policies. We also explore the evolution and work of international institutions such as the United Nations and the World Bank, and non-governmental international organizations such as environmental and human rights groups. This course is cross-listed with POLS 241.
Yearly Cycle: Annual.
Session Cycle: Fall, Spring

GLOB 242. Introduction to Global Anthropology. 3 Credit Hours.
This course studies the consequences of globalization for human beings as they come to understand and value themselves, their relations to others, and their "place in the world." Students discuss a number of challenges to traditional concepts of "culture" important to understanding an anthropological approach to the concept of globalization. The course approaches "globalization," the movement of information, goods, services, capital and people throughout the global space, from a variety of perspectives, including discussion of global migration and diaspora and consideration of the globalization of media. This course is cross-listed with LCS 242.
Yearly Cycle: Annual.
Session Cycle: Fall, Spring

GLOB 243. Honors: The Anthropology of Globalization. 3 Credit Hours.
In this course, students interpret global transformations through studying anthropological texts and films that provide in-depth analysis of local-level instances of globalization. These ethnographic studies allow students to improve their specific knowledge of people and places throughout the world and also to develop more theoretically rigorous approaches toward explaining what is meant by the term globalization. To this end, students examine, among other themes, ethnicity to better comprehend issues of power, resources, and land in conflict situations; the movement of textiles to recognize post-Fordist social and economic practices; human trafficking to conceptualize commodification of the human body; and refugee migrations to understand transnationalism. In short, this course offers micro-level case studies, methods, and approaches toward learning about and explaining broad social and cultural processes. Students who receive credit for LCS 242/GLOB 242 cannot receive credit for this course. This course is cross-listed with LCS 243.
Prerequisites: Honors Program
Yearly Cycle: Annual.
Session Cycle: Spring

GLOB 271. World History Since 1500. 3 Credit Hours.
This course is an historical study of the major regions and cultures of the world during the last five centuries, with attention to their connections and interactions and to the development of global trends. Political, economic, social, intellectual, and cultural factors will be considered, and special emphasis will be placed on the emergence and the challenges of the peoples of the "third world." One theme will be an analysis of the processes of "modernization". This course is cross-listed with HIS 271.
Yearly Cycle: Annual.
Session Cycle: Spring