

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE

INTERNATIONAL STUDIES AREA OF EMPHASIS

The Associate of Arts Degree with an emphasis in International Studies allows students to develop a fundamental level of international and intercultural competence in preparation for work in an increasingly interconnected and interdependent world. As members of business and industry rely more and more on foreign markets and become more international in nature, a globally competent workforce becomes critical. This area of emphasis will help prepare students to be competitive members of that workforce, or alternatively, allow students to transfer into bachelors' degree programs requiring such proficiency.

Note: At least six credit hours of foreign language instruction are recommended for this area of emphasis. While Spanish and German coursework is available at OTC, as a member of the Missouri Community College Association's Consortium of Global Education, our students are eligible to register for online language courses offered by other Missouri community colleges to satisfy this recommendation. Courses in Arabic, French, and Chinese are examples of online courses offered by consortium members.

PREFERRED COURSE SEQUENCE

Semester I

CIS	101	Personal Computer Applications	3
ENG	101	Composition I	3
HUM	101	Introduction to the Humanities	3
¹ PLS	101	American Government and Politics	3
		Foreign Language (Level 1)	3
Total Semester Hours.....			15

Semester II

ENG	102	Composition II	3
GRY	101	World Geography	3
MTH	130	College Algebra (or higher)	3
		Biological Science Elective	4
		Foreign Language (Level 2)	3
Total Semester Hours			16

Semester III

HLT	101	Lifetime Wellness	3
HST	105	The World in History I	3
HUM	102	World Humanities	3
		Physical Science Elective	4
		² International Studies Elective	3
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Total Semester Hours.....			18

Semester IV

COM	105	Public Speaking	3
GRY	230	World Economic Geography	3
PLS	201	International Relations	3
SSM	201	Sophomore Seminar	3
		² International Studies Elective*	3
Total Semester Hours.....			15

¹ Must satisfy Missouri law to include instruction in U.S. and State Constitutions.

² International Studies Elective choices include:
 ENG 240, ENG 245, ENG 260, ENG 265, HST 106,
 PHL 110, PHL 120, MUS 101, MUS 201, Foreign
 Language (Level 3)