

Global Studies

Department of World Languages and Cultures



Global learning means making connections, breaking down boundaries, building community, and immersing yourself in language and world cultures, on campus and across the globe. In Global Studies, students pursue an interdisciplinary concentration major in one of three areas:

- **Asian Studies**
- **Global Service**
- **IECA - International Economics and Cultural Affairs**

You can also minor in:

- **Latin American/Latinx Studies**

Scholarships

Renewable scholarships are available for first-year students also majoring in a language. Visit valpo.edu/financialaid.



Experiential Learning

- Complete a service-learning experience on campus or in the community for academic credit.
- Prepare a solution-focused capstone project on a topic of interest to you in Senior Seminar.
- Present your findings at our annual Presentation Night and at SOURCE, Valpo's spring research showcase.
- Find your language learning home base at the Language Resource Center.

Engaged and Exceptional Faculty

Graduates of the Department of World Languages and Cultures cite close relationships with faculty mentors as a critical component of their education and success. Faculty are engaged with and invested in students, both within the classroom and beyond. All full-time faculty in Global Studies hold the highest degree in their field.

Global Studies Concentrations

Part of the Department of World Languages and Cultures, Global Studies offers a variety of concentrations:

IECA - International Economics and Cultural Affairs

Combine study of a world language and culture with internationally-focused courses in economics, geography, history, and political science. Students select a regional emphasis (Africa, Asia, Europe, or Latin America).

Global Service

Students considering careers with international organizations and development agencies equip themselves through study of a geographical region and its language, along with courses in social work, economics, political science, and theology.

Latin American/Latinx Studies (minor)

You can also pursue a minor in Latin American and Latinx Studies. Explore the rich histories and cultures of Latin America and U.S. Latinx communities within the larger context of contemporary global cultures.



Asian Studies

Integrate study of Chinese or Japanese with comprehensive knowledge about Asian history, culture, and politics.



Study and Intern Abroad

Join most Global Studies majors who embark on a semester or full year study program in France, Germany, Mexico, Spain, Chile, Costa Rica, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, Namibia or England. Pursue real-world work experience through internship opportunities in most of these destinations.

Prepare Your Career Path

Valpo grads use their language studies in a variety of careers, across many sectors:

- Foreign service
- Government service
- Policy design
- Development agencies
- International organizations
- International commerce and banking
- Non-governmental organizations
- Philanthropic and faith-based organizations
- Communication
- Education
- Mission work



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Valparaiso University admits students of any race, color, national or ethnic origin, age, gender, disability, sexual orientation, or religion. For full statement, see valpo.edu.

Valpo was ranked among the top "10 Most Innovative Colleges for Foreign Language Study." Read highlights on the department website.

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