Master of Arts in International Studies

Program Description:
The Master of Arts in International Studies is a 36-hour, non-thesis program designed to equip leaders for service in a broad array of multicultural contexts, including for-profit business, non-profit/non-governmental organizations, diplomacy, and government. The degree provides a broad-based view of how the interplay between diverse cultures affects commerce, diplomatic relations, society, government, religion, foreign affairs, the arts, and other facets of society in today’s global environment. Graduates of the program will be equipped to lead with distinction and diplomacy in an ever-globalizing world, as well as serve their communities in culturally-sensitive ways.

Academic Requirements:
Master of Arts in International Studies applicants must: 1) have earned a bachelor’s degree from an accredited institution recognized by DBU, 2) show strong moral character commensurate with the University’s mission of producing servant leaders, and 3) demonstrate through their academic record a likelihood of success in the Master of Arts in International Studies program. In addition to these requirements, the applicant’s record of service in the community and in positions of leadership will be considered.

Core Courses (24 hours):
- COMA 6314 Intercultural Communication
- DISC 5302 Biblical Servant Leadership
- MAIS 5301 Contemporary Global Issues (Travel Study)
- MAIS 5302 Geopolitics Through the Lens of Geography
- MAIS 5303 Christian Perspectives on Global Religions and Worldviews (S-L)
- MAIS 5305 Cultural Intelligence
- MAIS 5317 Comparing Government Structures and Political Systems
- MAIS 6306 Cross-Cultural and Global Leadership

12-hour Concentrations (select one):
- East Asian Studies
- European Studies
- General International Studies
- Global Business
- International Immersion
- International Ministry
- International Relations

Other Requirements:
MAIS 5001 International Job Shadowing is a required course unless the student chooses MAIS 5310 Short-Term International Immersion Experience (S-L) or the International Immersion concentration. In MAIS 5001, the student shadows an international leader in a foreign country for one business week.
# M.A. in International Studies - Concentrations

## Global Business
Select any four of the following courses:
- COMA 6324 Communication for Global Organizations
- ECON 6303 International Economics and Legal Environment
- ENTR 6306 International Entrepreneurship
- FINA 6321 International Finance
- MAGL 5345 Business as Mission (S-L)
- MAIS 5310 Short-Term International Immersion Experience (S-L)
- MANA 6311 Global Initiatives in Management
- MRKT 6321 International Marketing

## International Relations
Select any four of the following courses:
- ECON 6303 International Economics and Legal Environment
- MAIS 5304 International Peace and Conflict Studies
- MAIS 5313 Urbanization and Development
- MAIS 5314 International Human Rights
- MAIS 5315 Ethics in International Relations
- MAIS 5316 Global Health Issues
- MAIS 5310 Short-Term International Immersion Experience (S-L)
- POLS 5314 International Relations

## International Ministry
Select any four of the following courses:
- MAGL 5330 Introduction to Missiology
- MAGL 5331 Cross-Cultural Living and Ministry
- MAGL 5332 Strategies for Missionary Work
- MAGL 5336 Current Trends in Missions
- MAGL 5340 Integrating Faith and Cultures
- MAGL 5341 Perspectives on the World Christian Movement
- MAGL 5342 Ethnography, Cultures and Worldviews
- MAGL 5343 Understanding Islam
- MAGL 5344 Strategies for Urban Ministries
- MAGL 5345 Business as Mission (S-L)
- MAIS 5310 Short-Term International Immersion Experience (S-L)

## East Asian Studies
Select any four of the following courses:
- MAGL 5351 History and Culture of East Asia
- MAGL 5352 History of East Asian Philosophy and Religion
- MAGL 5353 Fine Arts in East Asia
- MAGL 5354 Literature of East Asia
- MAGL 5355 Leadership in East Asia
- MAGL 5356 Business and Finance in East Asia
- MAGL 5357 Understanding East Asian Civilization and Culture
- MAGL 5358 Essentials of East Asian Language
- MAIS 5310 Short-Term International Immersion Experience (S-L)

## European Studies
Select any four of the following courses:
- ENGL 5340 Studies in Global Literature
- HIST 5301 Western Church History
- MAIS 5306 Leadership in Europe
- MAIS 5307 Business and Finance in Europe
- MAIS 5310 Short-Term International Immersion Experience (S-L)
- MALA 5300 Western Heritage and Christianity

## General International Studies
Select any four courses from the following concentrations:
- East Asian Studies
- European Studies
- Global Business
- International Ministry
- International Relations

## International Immersion
Students will work with a lead professor to design a two-semester immersion experience in a foreign country.
- MAIS 5308 Understanding Civilization and Culture
- MAIS 5309 Essentials of Foreign Language
- MAIS 5311 International Internship I
- MAIS 5312 International Internship II