# INTERCULTURAL STUDIES PROGRAM

## **Faculty**

**Phillip G. Ryan** (1997). Director, Center for Intercultural Engagement, Professor of Language, and Coordinator of ESL Programing. B.A., Union University; M.A., University of Memphis; Ph.D., Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

Mark Bolyard (2006). Professor of Biology and Department Chair. B.A., Hanover College; Ph.D., University of North Carolina; Additional study, Michigan State University.

**Victoria Malone** (2005). Coordinator of Study Abroad and Assistant Professor of Language. B.A. and M.A., Northern Illinois University

**Jean Marie Walls** (1987). Professor of Language and Department Chair. B.A. and M.A., Mississippi State University; and Ph.D., Louisiana State University. Additional study, Northwestern University.

#### **Mission Statement**

Intercultural engagement-including community development, humanitarian outreach, and integrative research skills-is essential for a globalized world and increasingly important to our student population. Intercultural Studies at Union-integrative, academically rigorous, missional-provides its students with an interdisciplinary approach to current theory and research relevant to intercultural engagement. By optimizing the impact that our students and our community members have here and around the globe, Intercultural Studies bolsters Union's broader mission of providing Christ-centered education that promotes excellence and character development in service to Church and society.

#### Curriculum

Union offers an interdisciplinary major and minor in Intercultural Studies. Both programs are designed to enable students to develop theoretical and practical knowledge needed to live and work effectively in culturally complex environments. The University also offers the minor in Humanitarian Studies, which is designed to prepare students to apply content in their majors in a cross-cultural setting, with particular attention to meeting needs in culturally diverse communities at home and around the world.

For additional information including direct contact information with program personnel, see

### I. Major in Intercultural Studies-33 hours

- A. Required Core—12 hours ICS 110, 214, 320, 410
- B. Program Selectives-12 hours
  - 1. Choose one: ICS 213, 319, 356, 419
  - 2. Choose one: ICS 310, 325
  - 3. Choose one: ICS 321, LANG 498
- 4. Choose one: ICS 246, 377 C.ICS 245, 445, 498–9 hours
- II. Minor in Intercultural Studies—21 hours A. ICS 110, 245, 320, 321, 410, 445, 498

#### **Ⅲ.** Minor in Humanitarian Studies–24 hours

- A. Required Core-21 hours
  - 1. BIO 110, PHY 312, ICS 321, and CHR 377
  - 2. ICS 110\* or SW 200\*
  - 3. ICS 320\* or SW 310\* or SOC 310\*
  - 4. ECO 425 or PSC 214
  - 5. Cross-cultural experience as approved by the Program Coordinator (Dr. Mark Bolyard) and Acting Director, Center for Intercultural Engagement (Dr. Phillip Ryan)
- B. Select one of the following courses (3 hours): GEO 215 or 216, COM 220, HIS 410, PSC 324, CHR 305, 338, or 349, or another elective as approved by the Program Coordinator and Associate Provost for Intercultural and International Studies
- \*Students majoring in Social Work must take the ICS courses; students majoring in Intercultural Studies must take the SW or SOC courses. Other students must take one ICS course and one SW/SOC course.

## **Program Guidelines:**

- 1. All human subject research must be approved by Union University's Institutional Review Board.
- 2. Any coursework being completed externally must be approved by Union University's Study Abroad program. ICS 445:
  - All 445 experiences must be approved by the program director prior to the semester of enrollment.
  - It is strongly encouraged that majors and minors

Course Offerings in Intercultural Studies (ICS)

## **Certificate in International Health Care**

Administrative Leadership Kelly Harden (2010). Dean and Professor, College of Nursing. D.NSc., University of Tennessee Health Science Center.

The Center for Intercultural Engagement offers two certificate