INTERCULTURAL STUDIES PROGRAM
COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

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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 www.uu.edu/programs/intercultural-studies/.

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
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- Address economic needs through cross-cultural, non-governmental organizations (NGOs), bring together people from a variety of cultures, and in both foreign and domestic missions work.
- Serve businesses that operate in a range of cross-cultural contexts, including entrepreneurship in multi-ethnic settings, international affairs in large/multinational organizations, and managing innovation to solve complex human needs.

Currently, Intercultural Business offers the following programming combinations:

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