Global & International Studies (GIST)

Courses

GIST 101  Study Abroad Reflections* (1-3 Hour)
Prerequisites: Department approval; student must be enrolled in the study abroad program.
This course will assist students in maximizing their study abroad experience. In this course, students will reflect on the three phases of study abroad: pre-departure, being abroad and return. The topics covered in this course include general administrative and logistical issues, intercultural interactions, global competencies, culture shock, integration of study abroad experiences with current life and future plans, and the impact of international/intercultural experiences on one’s self and one’s worldview. Students through reflection on their study abroad experience will identify new skills and growth, and articulate how these will enhance their professional, personal and academic goals.

GIST 250  Introduction to Globalization (3 Hours)
This course will provide students with the origins and current implications of globalization. In this course, students will examine the question “what is globalization?” The topics covered include economic and political globalization as well as global security, culture and environmental issues. The goal of this course is to introduce students to the variation in global issues that influence national policy and our daily lives. 3 hrs. lecture/wk.

GIST 250H  HON: Introduction to Globalization (1 Hour)
One-credit hour honors contract is available to qualified students who have an interest in a more thorough investigation of a topic related to this subject. An honors contract may incorporate research, a paper, or project and includes individual meetings with a faculty mentor. Student must be currently enrolled in the regular section of the courses or have completed it the previous semester. Contact the Honors Program Office, COM 201, for more information. Prerequisite: Honors department approval.