INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

At Illinois Wesleyan University, a number of programs address the need for international awareness and allow students many options. The opportunities provide different learning environments and different levels of involvement. Students can participate in international learning through Study Abroad Programs, majors and minors in International Studies, International Business and the languages, May Term travel courses, and the Model United Nations.

No matter which option you choose, the different perspectives you experience not only help you understand another people, place and culture — they help you understand your own. Pursuing an international program option at Illinois Wesleyan provides the most direct way for broadening your horizons and developing yourself.

STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS

Many students interested in an extended immersion into international culture choose to take advantage of our study abroad option. Study abroad normally takes place during the junior year and involves taking courses for a semester or full-year at an affiliated university. In most cases, study abroad programs will not require additional class time towards graduation.

Students can study abroad regardless of their major. Most programs offer courses taught in English, however IWU encourages students to obtain a certain level of fluency in the native language. IWU’s study abroad program sends students to Australia, Asia, Europe, and Latin America and is offered in conjunction with Australearn, Arcadia University, Bard College, Butler University, the Center for Bilingual Multicultural Studies (Mexico), Central College, the Chinese University of Hong Kong, Denmark’s International Study Program, the Institute for the International Education of Students (IES), Pembroke College (Oxford, England), the School for International Training (SIT), University of Sussex at Brighton (England), and the Swedish Program. IWU has exchange programs with Keio University and Obirin University in Tokyo, Japan and also has its own London and Madrid Programs (see separate brochure). Financial aid and scholarships can be applied to these programs, and in some situations internships are available.

For more information, please contact the International Office at (309) 556-3190 or by email at abroad@iwu.edu

INTERNATIONAL STUDIES MAJOR AND MINORS

This on-campus program is designed for students who are interested in studying global and regional problems from an interdisciplinary perspective. The program pulls together courses from anthropology, art, business, economics, education, English, the languages, health, history, humanities, music, philosophy, political science, sociology and religion. Related activities help to broaden the students’ international horizons and assist them in the development of expertise in a chosen area of interest. Students who major in International Studies must select an area of concentration from any of the following: African, Asian, Development, Diplomatic, Latin American, Russian and Eastern European, or Western European Studies. The major consists of four core courses and six courses in the area of concentration.

The program also offers academic minors in African, Asian, Latin American, Russian and Eastern European, Western European, Development, and Diplomatic Studies. Any area studies minor can be used to enhance or supplement a major. The program is intended for students who are planning careers with internationally focused agencies of the public and private sector, international organizations, and foundations.

For further information, please contact Dr. William Munro, Director of International Studies Program at (309) 556-3375 or by email at wmunro@iwu.edu.

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**INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS PROGRAM**

The Department of Business Administration offers an interdisciplinary International Business major with a global focus rather than a concentration on particular regions of the world. The Business Administration faculty has designed the program to complement study in a foreign language or an area minor within the International Studies program.

All International Business majors spend a summer, a semester, or a year abroad in programs of study tailored to their individual interests and needs; many majors also participate in one of the May Term travel courses. Some students, especially those with considerable language fluency, have participated in internships with major corporations as part of their study-abroad programs.

The major prepares students for graduate study, for employment in domestic firms with multinational operations, or for entry-level positions abroad. Recent graduates have entered such prestigious programs as the Thunderbird Graduate School of International Management or are employed with such firms as Abbott Laboratories, Mitsubishi Motors Manufacturing, and Arthur Andersen & Company.

For more information, please contact Professor David Marvin, Department of Business Administration, at (309) 556-3099 or by email at dmarvin@iwu.edu.

**DEPARTMENT OF MODERN AND CLASSICAL LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES, DEPARTMENT OF HISPANIC STUDIES**

The Department of Modern and Classical Languages and Literatures currently offers majors and minors in French and German as well as minors in Japanese and Russian. Courses offered in Classical Greek extend through the advanced level and are intended to support a minor in Classical Studies. Courses in Japanese may also be taken through the advanced level (including study abroad) and may lead to individual contract majors in Japanese Studies. The Department of Hispanic Studies offers major and minor in Spanish.

Several important aspects characterize the study of second languages at Illinois Wesleyan:

- courses at all levels are taught primarily in the target language.
- majors are required to study abroad for at least one semester.
- major and minor programs are flexible allowing students to pursue a second major or minor.
- major and minor programs generally combine courses in language, culture, and literature.

>CLEP and AP credit are accepted by the department where appropriate.

All programs are supported by a state-of-the-art Interactive Learning Center where satellite, CD-ROM, laser disc, and computer technologies provide students with multiple windows on the world in target languages.

For further information about the Department of Modern and Classical Languages and Literatures, please contact Dr. Nancy Sultan, Chair at (309) 556-3173 or by email at nsultan@iwu.edu.

For further information about the Department of Hispanic Studies, please contact Professor Carmela Ferradans, Chair, at (309) 556-3155 or by email at cferrada@iwu.edu.

**MAY TERM TRAVEL COURSES**

The one-class May Term in IWU's 4-4-1 academic calendar allows students to devote their entire month to an off-campus experience. Each year, several departments sponsor travel seminars for both majors and non-majors. Academic lectures, tours, and exploration highlight these trips of 15-25 students and a faculty member. These travel courses have visited different parts of the world including Australia, several countries in East, South, and Southeast Asia, Africa, Western and Eastern Europe, and Latin America.

Generally, most courses are electives and available to students regardless of their major. Financial aid can be applied to the additional costs of these travel seminars.

For more information, please contact Dr. Jean MacFarland Kerr, May Term Director, at (309) 556-3751 or by email at jkerr@iwu.edu.

**THE MODEL UNITED NATIONS**

Simulation is frequently used to teach about the international community. One simulation open to students regardless of major is the Midwest Model United Nations, which meets each winter for four days in St. Louis. Illinois Wesleyan students play the roles of two or three U.N. member nations, and take resolutions they have drafted through one of several model General Assembly committees to the floor of the model General Assembly itself, or plead international law cases before the model International Court of Justice. In this dramatic and fast-moving way, students learn about international relations, resolution-drafting, and practical politics.

For further information, please contact Professor Diego Mendez-Carbajo, Economics Department at (309) 556-3826 or by email at dmendez@iwu.edu.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION**

For more information about the academic program and the faculty visit our website at: [http://www2.iwu.edu/academics/departments](http://www2.iwu.edu/academics/departments)