

# INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT INTERDISCIPLINARY MINOR

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Learn how to think and act as an agent for positive social change.

The International Development Interdisciplinary Minor encourages students to think critically and act responsibly in an interconnected world. The 21-credit program specifically examines the methods and challenges of poverty alleviation and economic development. Coursework is flexible and individualized to meet students' educational needs. The minor emphasizes international and cross-cultural perspectives and offers coursework from multiple disciplines. Students work through diverse ideas of development, poverty, sustainability, and related topics. A required common course critically examines theories and processes of development. The program prepares students for a variety of employment opportunities related to international development, including volunteer work or employment in international and advocacy organizations, or business, policy, and research groups. The minor provides an international perspective that complements any CSU major.

## Learning Objectives

Students will:

1. Identify, explain, and evaluate theories and applied processes of international development.
2. Demonstrate knowledge of the economic, political, and social dimensions of global poverty and inequality.
3. Analyze key developmental challenges and global concerns in written and oral presentations.
4. Apply key concepts in original research in international development.

## Requirements Effective Fall 2024

Students must satisfactorily complete the total credits required for the minor. Minors and interdisciplinary minors require 12 or more upper-division (300- to 400-level) credits.

Additional coursework may be required due to prerequisites.

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Core Courses</b>		
IE 479/ANTH 479	International Development Theory and Practice	3
Select 6 credits from the following:		6
ANTH 200	Cultures and the Global System (GT-SS3)	
ECON 460	Economic Development	
GR 100	Introduction to Geography (GT-SS2)	

IE 270/AGRI 270	World Interdependence-Population and Food (GT-SS3)
IE 470	Women and Development
IE 471	Children and Youth in Global Context
IE 478	Managing International Development Programs
POLS 232	International Relations (GT-SS1)
POLS 462	Globalization, Sustainability, and Justice
<b>Supporting Courses Group A <sup>1</sup></b>	
Select at least 9 credits from the following courses or from additional upper-division courses approved by the International Development Board and advisor	
ANTH 310	Peoples and Cultures of Africa
ANTH 312	Modern Indian Culture and Society
ANTH 314	Southeast Asian Cultures and Societies
ANTH 329	Cultural Change
ANTH 340	Medical Anthropology
ANTH 413	Indigenous Peoples Today
ANTH 414/ ETST 414	Development in Indian Country
ANTH 415	Indigenous Ecologies and the Modern World
ANTH 441	Method in Cultural Anthropology
ANTH 449	Community Development from the Ground Up
AREC 415	International Agricultural Trade
AREC 460	Ag- and Resource-Based Economic Development
ECON 332/ POLS 332	International Political Economy
ECON 370	Comparative Economic Systems
ECON 440	Economics of International Trade and Policy
ECON 442	Economics of International Finance and Policy
FIN 475	International Business Finance
GR 320	Cultural Geography
IE 472	Education for Global Peace
INST 301	International Studies Research Methods
JTC 412	International Mass Communication
L*** Foreign languages <sup>2</sup>	
LFRE 433A	Francophone Cultures: Representations <sup>3</sup>
or LFRE 433B	Francophone Cultures: Contacts
MGT 475	International Business Management
MKT 365	International Marketing
NRRT 320	International Issues-Recreation and Tourism
PHIL 320	Ethics of Sustainability
PHIL 345	Environmental Ethics
POLS 331	Politics and Society Along Mexican Border
POLS 362	Global Environmental Politics
POLS 431	International Law
POLS 433	International Organization
POLS 442	Environmental Politics in Developing World

POLS 443	Comparative Social Movements
POLS 444	Comparative African Politics
POLS 445	Comparative Asian Politics
POLS 446	Latin American Politics
POLS 447	Politics in Mexico, Central America, Caribbean
POLS 449	Middle East Politics
PSY 327	Psychology of Women
SOC 320	Population-Natural Resources and Environment
SOC 341	Sociology of Rural Life
SOC 364	Food, Agriculture and Global Society
SOC 374	Social Movements
SOC 460	Environmental and Natural Resource Sociology
SOC 461	Water and Social Justice
SOGR 475	Global Challenges in Plant and Soil Science
SOWK 450/IE 450	International Social Welfare and Development
SPCM 434	Intercultural Communication
Internship	

**Supporting Courses Group B <sup>1</sup>**

Select at least 3 credits from the following courses, OR from Core Courses or Supporting Courses Group A not previously taken, OR from additional courses approved by the International Development Board and advisor. 3

IE 116/AGRI 116 Plants and Civilizations (GT-SS3)

L\*\*\* Foreign Languages <sup>4</sup>

POLS 131 Current World Problems (GT-SS1)

POLS 241 Comparative Government and Politics (GT-SS1)

**Program Total Credits: 21**

<sup>1</sup> No more than 6 credits may be taken in any subject code from among all the supporting courses, both Group A and Group B.

<sup>2</sup> Select from upper-division (300- to 400-level) language courses.

<sup>3</sup> Accepted only when designated "Des Questions de développement a travers le cinema africain."

<sup>4</sup> Select from any level language courses. A maximum of 6 credits are allowed for foreign language courses.