



HONORS IN THE MAJOR

Criteria for earning Honors in the IS Major

Note: Students who are in the Distinction in the Major are ineligible.

Students wishing to earn [Honors in the Major](#) in International Studies must declare in the second semester of the junior year and meet the following requirements:

1. Complete the form below. This form must be submitted to the IS Major advisor before or by the last day of class in the semester in which you graduate.
2. A minimum of 16 upper-level honors credits that fulfill requirements in the major. Those courses that would count for honors would include courses specifically designated honors in the Schedule of Classes (Timetable) along with appropriate and pre-approved special topics courses (e.g., Poli Sci 401 and 695, Intl St 601).
3. A 3.5 grade point average in the major and an overall grade point average of at least 3.3 in all courses taken at UW-Madison at the time of graduation.
4. Complete the following upon consultation with the international studies advisor: two senior seminars (6 credits) such as the International Studies topics seminars. For those students who are invited to take graduate-level courses an individual exception will need to be made. Students may also choose to do an interdisciplinary senior thesis, which is a two-semester commitment. Advising for Honors in the Major is through the International Studies Program.

Application for Honors in the Major

Candidate's name: _____

Student ID number: _____ Graduation date: _____

Listing of upper-level honors credits or pre-approved special topics classes :

Description of Senior Seminar or Senior Thesis work:

Semester/year in which work was completed: _____

Advisor confirmation that student meets GPA requirements