

Fairfield University

International Studies Program - Learning Outcomes

Students in the International Studies Program (Majors in International Studies and International Business; Minor in International Studies) will graduate with the following capacities:

Knowledge of:

- *Globalization (n-s; economic/interdependencies; inequities; social justice; cultures; environment; technology; transformations of)
- *Agencies (actors; institutions)
- *Diversities (socio-economic; political; cultural)
- *Social transformation (conflict; peace building; humanitarianism)
- *Environmental systems
- *Sustainability (environment; economics; peace; conflict; violence)
- *Theories and concepts related to these knowledge domains

Skills:

- *Critical thinking (interdisciplinary; problem solving; complexities; multi-faceted)
- *Methodologies of International Studies and International Business, including qualitative and quantitative reasoning
- *Persuasive writing / persuasive communication
- *Policy analysis
- *Consensus building
- *Dynamic learning (capacity to think out of the box; encounter novel situations; critique conventional approaches; apply theories/concepts to action)
- *Technology
- *Research skills

Values that reflect:

- *Respect for others
- *Global responsibilities/citizenship
- *Empathetic engagement (sense of how it feels to be in another's situation in their own terms; what it is like to think and understand the world from that perspective)
- *Compassion (engagement with the suffering of others; service to others; obligation or responsibility to respond and be responsive to human needs)