In the Department of Global Studies and Modern Languages, students and faculty investigate complex global issues in and outside of the classroom. We employ transnational, multilingual and multidisciplinary perspectives to study topics such as economic development, human rights, culture, ethics and social responsibility. Through community-based learning courses, our students also examine the effects of globalization on our local communities.

Our innovative curriculum, intensive language instruction, numerous professional development opportunities, and Drexel’s renowned cooperative education and study abroad programs prepare students to tackle the challenges of our increasingly interconnected world.
UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES

Bachelor of Arts in Global Studies
Global Studies is an intercultural and interactive major that joins language study, international travel and academic study across diverse disciplines to prepare students to thrive in today's modern, globalized world. The program offers four concentrations:

- Global Business, Economics & Development
- Global Justice & Human Rights
- Global Health & Sustainability
- Global Media, Arts & Cultures

Global Studies is also offered as a minor and is well suited for those studying abroad or for those who want to add an international component to their major.

Accelerated BA/MPH in Global Studies and Public Health
The Accelerated Degree program allows students to complete a Bachelor’s degree in Global Studies and a Master’s in Public Health (MPH) in only five years. Students complete an undergraduate co-op, either domestically or internationally, and receive rigorous foreign language training. A degree in public health enables students to make a real impact on society, improving the lives of people around the world.

Modern Language Minors and Intermediate Proficiency Certificates
Intercultural and multilingual communication is an indispensable asset for the 21st-century citizen and professional. Language study opens up a world of opportunities for our students, from co-ops and study abroad programs to engagement with global communities here in Philadelphia. We offer minors in Spanish, French and Japanese, as well as courses in Chinese, German, Korean, Arabic, Hebrew and Italian. We also offer an Intermediate Proficiency Certificate in our nine languages upon completion of the intermediate sequence (202).

Minors
The Department of Global Studies and Modern Languages offers a variety of minors. Students may enhance their Drexel degree with one of the following:

- Anthropology
- Asian Studies
- Judaic Studies
- Middle East and North Africa Studies
- Religious Studies
- Women’s and Gender Studies

STUDY ABROAD
There is no better way to learn a foreign language, discover other cultures, or broaden your perspective on American life and culture than to study or work abroad. We offer programs in Europe, Latin America, China, the Middle East and Africa, among others areas.

THOUGHT-PROVOKING COURSEWORK
Our courses not only bring outside experts into the classroom, but also take students to the headquarters of influential global organizations. Several of our courses include visits to the United Nations headquarters and to the Organizations of American States in D.C. Our unique travel course in Guatemala allows students to study and volunteer at a number of women’s and environmental organizations. We also use technology to create “global classroom” environments, including a course in which our students connect with students in Chile to work on foreign language instruction.

DREXEL CO-OP
Through Drexel’s cooperative education program, students embark on up to three, six-month periods of employment, exploring their career options, strengthening their résumés and building a professional network in the process. Our students have held co-op positions domestically at the Philadelphia Museum of Art, Michael Kors, JP Morgan Chase & Co., the International Rescue Committee, the Office of Senator Bob Casey and the BlackStar Film Festival, as well as internationally at organizations including the United Nations Development Programme in Equatorial Guinea and Ecuador, World Vision in Africa, the Italian Parliament, and Coca Cola in India — to name only a few.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT & CAREERS
The department offers a number of professional development opportunities, including visits from State Department recruiters, résumé clinics, alumni career panels and networking events.

Our students have gone on to graduate studies in law, public health, public administration, international relations, international education, and medicine. They have also pursued successful careers in international business, diplomacy, government affairs, education, nonprofit management and international development.

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