Welcome to the Department of Global, Cultural and Language Studies! We have created this manual to help you more easily choose your path in this world of multiple languages, cultures and challenges.

This interdisciplinary program provides you with a broad background in contemporary international affairs and the skills necessary to participate effectively in the global community. Our students develop a perspective that places not only them in the world but also the world in them.

MAJORS
   Global, Cultural and Language Studies
   Spanish

MINORS
   Global, Cultural and Language Studies
   French
   German
   Russian
   Spanish

OTHER LANGUAGE PROGRAMS
   American Sign Language
   Latin
   Ojibwe
GCL FACULTY

Dr. Elyse Carter Vosen
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Director, Oreck-Alpern Interreligious Forum

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Dr. Thomas Morgan
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Monica Butche – American Sign Language
Dr. Drew Mannetter – Latin
Dolores Stoffel – Spanish
Jennifer Timm – Spanish
GCL OUTCOMES

In the Department of Global, Cultural and Language Studies students will:

❖ understand language as integral to intercultural competence;

❖ achieve world language fluency at the intermediate-mid level following ACTFL (American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages) Proficiency Guidelines;

❖ articulate the role of culture in shaping perception, behavior, attitudes and beliefs;

❖ analyze the issues and problems posed by living and working in an increasingly interconnected global community;

❖ apply interdisciplinary approaches to formulate creative solutions to contemporary global challenges;

❖ evaluate how the integrated knowledge of another language and culture informs actions leading to social justice and peace.
REQUIREMENTS FOR THE B.A. IN GLOBAL, CULTURAL AND LANGUAGE STUDIES INCLUDE:

- CSS General Education Requirements

- Completion of the second year language sequence (8 credits) in one world language with a 3.0 average or a waiver based on a proficiency test level of Intermediate Mid. In addition to working on increasing fluency in their primary language, GCL majors are encouraged to begin the study of another world language.

- ACTFL Oral Proficiency Test: Students will achieve the intermediate-mid level of proficiency according to ACTFL guidelines. After completing the second year sequence, GCL majors should contact their language instructor to schedule the oral proficiency test.

- Active Participation in a campus organization such as: Amnesty International, InterNational Club, Kaleidoscope Multicultural Club, Indigenous Students Alliance, or United for Africa. Students should also participate in GCL sponsored activities or other events of an international nature that take place in the Twin Ports area, such as the Campus Lecture Series.

- Presentation of a paper focusing on a particular set of cultural, social, or political issues. This is normally the paper written for the Senior Seminar.
COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Core courses required for a major in GCL:
- Completion of 8 credits of one language beyond 1104 with a minimum GPA of 3.0 (8 cr.)
- GCL 1101: Introduction to Intercultural Studies (4 cr.)
- GCL 2111: Migration, Diaspora, Identity (4 cr.) OR GCL/POL 2001: Introduction to Political Science (4 cr.)
- GCL 3101: Advanced Cultural and Social Theory (4 cr.)
- GCL 4555: Experiential Learning/Study Abroad/Internship (0 – 6 cr.)
- GCL 4001: Senior Seminar (2 cr.)

Plus two of these four courses:
- GCL 2201: Peaceful Resolution of Conflict (4 cr.)
- GCL 3301: Human Rights (4 cr.)
- GCL 3001: Politics of Globalization (4 cr.)
- GCL 4402: Environmental Politics (4 cr.)

Plus one of these two courses:
- GCL 3302: Europe Today (4 cr.)
- GCL 3303: The Other Americas (4 cr.)

Plus 4 credits of Cultural Elective:
- HIS/WMS 2231: Cultural Anthropology (4 cr.)
- GCL 2050: Introduction to Mexico (2 cr.)
- GCL/HUM 2101: Cross-Cultural Understanding (4 cr.)
- GCL 2220: Dance, Gender, and Culture (2 cr.)
- GCL 3200: Popular Music and Political Movements (4 cr.)
- GCL 3202: Culture through Film (2 cr.)
- GCL 3250: Voices of the Earth (4 cr.)
- GCL 3304/HIS 3301: Modern Russian History (4 cr.)
- GCL/HSC 3401: Health Care across Cultures (4 cr.)
- GCL 4411: Strangers in their Own Land (4 cr.)
- Literature courses offered through the GCL Department
- Other courses with permission of GCL faculty

Total Minimum Credits Required for GCL Major: 44

Please note: GCL majors and minors may count only a total of 4 credits in the GCL 3202 Culture through Film sequence.
International Experiences / Internships / Service Learning
An international experience, an internship or a service learning activity is required and should be planned together with the student's advisor. Credits (from 0-6) are determined by the scope and length of activity. The GCL Department fully subscribes to the College's rationale for encouraging CSS students to consider an abroad experience as explained below.

Philosophy of Global Education
In recognition of increasing global interdependence, the international mission of the college seeks to strengthen its core mission by fostering a global perspective in all areas of campus activities, by educating students to contribute responsibly and meaningfully in a rapidly evolving global workplace and by respecting the diversity, equality and integrity of other cultures in order to promote peace, justice and mutual understanding.

The Study Abroad programs in GCL are designed to enable our students to better understand their place in the world, whether they choose to work in a familiar context or to cast their nets from wider shores. While each program will have its own purpose and goals, all share the common thread of bringing the world back home so that all CSS students will be enriched through direct or indirect contact with the program participants.

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