



International Studies

Why Study International Studies at TCNJ?

International Studies at TCNJ's School of Humanities and Social Sciences explores the interwoven nature of globalization, examining political, historical, cultural, and societal forces that shape the world. Our rigorous interdisciplinary program emphasizes critical thinking, research, and responsible action to prepare graduates for a wide range of careers in the public or private sector, or for entrance into law or graduate school. Throughout the program, students are guided by expert instruction and strong mentorship from diversely experienced faculty in a curriculum grounded in the humanities, social sciences, foreign language, and business.

Programs of Study

TCNJ offers an International Studies major with several options for specialization, and International Studies minors in Middle East Studies, Latin-American and Caribbean Studies, International Studies, African Studies, Central Eurasian Studies, and European Studies.

Students benefit from:

- **Interdisciplinary perspective** — incorporating historical, political, economic, and cultural contexts
- **A flexible curriculum that easily accommodates double majors** — more than 75% of International Studies majors choose a second major, a minor, or a combination of minors
- **Small class sizes** — fostering deep engagement, discussion, and collaboration
- **A study abroad requirement** — with more than 100 options, managed by TCNJ's Center for Global Engagement
- **Opportunities for faculty-mentored research, internships, and student-run clubs** — allowing students to follow passions, while practicing and applying learned skills
- **First-rate instruction and personalized mentorship from faculty with wide-ranging expertise** — that help guide academic and career paths

9 options for specializing within the International Studies major:

African Studies
Asian Studies
Chinese Studies
Diplomacy
European Studies
Global Health, Development, and Environment
International Trade and Economics
Latin-American and Caribbean Studies
Middle East Studies

International Studies majors had the highest average starting salary among 2018 TCNJ Humanities and Social Sciences graduates.



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Study Abroad Opportunities

International Studies majors are required to study abroad for at least one semester in order to broaden their understanding of other cultures — and help inform future academic and career pathways. TCNJ's Center for Global Engagement offers over 100 different study abroad sites to choose from, with International Studies students often opting to study across Africa, Asia, Europe, and South America.

Internships

Students are encouraged to seek internships with an international focus in fields related to their interests, where they may apply skills and earn academic credit. Students may choose to pursue internships regionally (New Jersey, New York, Philadelphia, Washington, D.C.) or enroll in internships while studying abroad. Students can also gain experience on campus by participating in related organizations and clubs.

Internship opportunities include:

Amnesty International, Atlantic Records, Bank of America, Catholic Charities, Council on Foreign Relations, International Rescue Committee, Italian American Chamber of Commerce, State of New Jersey, Tetracycle, U.S. Department of Justice, and the United Nations

An International Studies Degree from TCNJ Opens Doors

Our students gain the practical skills, insights, and experience that make them highly attractive to prospective employers and top law or graduate programs. Many TCNJ International Studies graduates have received competitive post-graduate fellowships, including Fulbright, Pickering, and Boren.

Recent Graduate Employers:

AmeriCorps/VISTA
Bank of America
Doctors Without Borders
Google
Johnson and Johnson
U.S. Department of State
U.S. Peace Corps

Recent Graduate Program Placements:

Columbia University
Georgetown University
Harvard University Law School
New York University
Princeton University
Rutgers University
Syracuse University
University of Pennsylvania

Take the Next Step

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