

## GLOBAL STUDIES MAJOR

### SENIOR THESIS: INDIVIDUAL RESEARCH IN GLOBALIZATION

The Global Studies major is designed for highly motivated students who wish to complete their required studies by conducting their own independent research focusing on **globalization** during their senior year under the guidance of a faculty advisor.

The program consists of a three-quarter, series of courses:

#### FALL QUARTER- GIBL St 194

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**Global Studies 194:** Research Group Seminar. 2 units. Requisites: Courses 100A, 100B, 110A, 110B. Concurrent enrollment in GIBL St 191. Limited to senior Global Studies majors. Discussion of research methods and various approaches to analysis and evaluation of globalization and current literature in field in preparation for senior thesis. Letter grading.

**Deliverables:**

- Research proposal and **outline** (15 pages)
- Secure faculty advisor: submit **signed contract** and “**Faculty Advisor Responsibilities**” form

#### WINTER QUARTER- GIBL St 199A

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**Global Studies 199A:** Directed Individual Research in Global Studies. 2 units multiple-term course. Requisite: Courses 191 and 194. Limited to senior Global Studies majors. Supervised individual research under guidance of faculty mentor. Research, discussion, and planning for senior thesis. Individual contract required. In Progress grading (grade credit to be given only upon completion of course 199B). Before being allowed to enroll in GIBL St 199A (Winter Quarter), students must have fulfilled the following prerequisites:

- Be a Global Studies Major
- Have taken GIBL St 1, 100A, 100B, 110A, 110B, 191, and 194
- Have secured a Faculty Advisor who has signed the “**Faculty Advisor Responsibilities**” **form and contract**.
- Have received approval on the **research proposal** from the Faculty Advisor and Global Studies Program.

**Deliverables:**

- First Draft of Thesis Paper\* (25-30 pages)

\* *Alternatively, students may submit a revised comprehensive 20-25 page outline if advisors deem it more appropriate than a first draft. Per consultation with their advisors, students are highly encouraged to produce an annotated bibliography to be used as reference when writing their first draft.*

\*\*\*Note that the grading for GIBL St 199A is in progress (IP) only, and will remain that way on your records indefinitely.\*\*\* The 2 units associated with GIBL St 199A will, however, eventually be part of the graded units upon completion of GIBL St 199B.

#### SPRING QUARTER- GIBL St 199B

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- **Global Studies 199B:** Directed Individual Research in Global Studies. 4 units. Requisite: Course 199A. Limited to senior Global Studies majors. Supervised individual research under guidance of faculty mentor. Final drafting and submission of senior thesis. Culminating paper of 35 to 50 pages required. Individual contract required. Letter grading.

Enrollment in GIBL St 199B depends on demonstrating satisfactory progress towards the senior thesis during the first quarter of coursework (GIBL St 199A). To enroll in GIBL St 199B (Spring Quarter), students must **submit a Contract Course** form for GIBL St 199B, signed and approved by the Global Studies Program and the faculty advisor. In addition, students will need to **include a 25-30 page First Draft of Thesis** of the thesis.

**Deliverable:**

- Final thesis of 35-50 pages of text (in addition to the title page, bibliography, appendices, etc.)

## How to Enroll:

You must create contracts through MyUCLA by following instructions below:

1. Log into MyUCLA
2. Select the Contract Courses link located under the "Classes" tab
3. Select "Submit a new contract"
4. Select term (e.g 17F for 2017 Fall)
5. Select "Honors Research 199A"
6. Select "Global Studies"
7. From there, you'll be directed to fill out an online form for Glbl St 199A(Winter) and Glbl St 199B(Spring)
8. Search for your Faculty Mentor by last name (their home department will show up next to their name)
9. For the course description field, briefly and clearly describe the global studies topic you will focus on for your thesis.
10. For the tangible evidence, state that you will submit a:
  - a. 25-30 page first draft (Glbl St 199A in Winter)
  - b. 35-50 page thesis (Glbl St 199B in Spring)
11. Print out contract and have your faculty mentor sign it
12. Submit required forms to Global Studies Advising Office

## Final Copy of Senior Thesis

**Deadline:** Unless otherwise specified by your faculty advisor, the last day to submit a final copy of the thesis is Friday of the 10th week of Spring Quarter. Your faculty advisor may be willing to accept a final copy during Finals Week; please confirm the deadline with him/her.

**Grades:** Your faculty advisor will be responsible for assigning you a grade for Glbl St 199B, which will signify the completion of your thesis. Note that students receive a total of 6 graded units of credit for the senior thesis (2 units from Glbl St 199A and 4 units from Glbl St 199B combined). Recall, though, that grading for Glbl St 199A is in progress (IP) only, and will remain that way on your records indefinitely. The 2 units associated with Glbl St 199A will, however, eventually be part of the graded units upon completion of Glbl St 199B.

After you have submitted a hard copy to your faculty advisor, you are highly encouraged to post your senior thesis on the Global Studies website, and you can do so via the Alumni & Current Student Directory, [www.international.ucla.edu/idps/alumni/](http://www.international.ucla.edu/idps/alumni/).

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## Departmental Honors

Outstanding Global Studies majors are eligible to receive department honors. To qualify for graduation with **departmental honors**, students must (1) complete all requirements for the major, (2) have a cumulative GPA of **3.50** or better in upper division courses in the major and an overall GPA of **3.25** or better, and (3) complete Glbl St 199B with a grade of **A-** or better on the resulting thesis.

To qualify for graduation with **departmental highest honors**, students must (1) complete all requirements for the major, (2) have a cumulative GPA of **3.75** or better in upper division courses in the major and an overall GPA of **3.50** or better, and (3) complete Glbl St 199B with a grade of **A** or better on the resulting thesis.

Any departmental honors designation will be automatically awarded upon graduation. No application is necessary.

## TIMELINE SUMMARY

### Junior Spring/Summer Following Junior Year

<b>TOPIC:</b>	-Select research topic and develop preliminary proposal -Discuss proposal with GS Counselor
<b>ADVISOR:</b>	-Identify and contact potential faculty advisors whose research interests match your own and provide them with preliminary proposal of your thesis.

### Senior Fall

<b>ADVISOR:</b>	-Enroll in GS 194 -Secure a Faculty Advisor (must be in residence at UCLA for Academic Year) and have him/her sign application and course contract for GS 199A.
<b>DELIVERABLE:</b>	-Develop a <b>15 page outline</b> (including brief introduction, major arguments and discussion of evidence/data)
<b>ENROLL:</b>	-Submit <b>Outline</b> AND signed <b>Course Contract</b> AND signed <b>Faculty Responsibility Sheet</b> to enroll in GS 199A to Advising Office no later than Monday of Week 1 of Winter.
<b>STUDENT PROFILE:</b>	-Create UCLA International Institute Student Profile

### Senior Winter

<b>ADVISOR:</b>	-Meet with faculty advisor weekly to refine research, review progress and complete outline
<b>DELIVERABLE:</b>	-Develop a <b>first draft of thesis</b>
<b>ENROLL:</b>	-Submit <b>draft of thesis</b> (25-30 pages) AND signed <b>Course Contract</b> to enroll in GS 199B to Advising Office no later than end of Monday Week 1 of Spring.

### Senior Spring

<b>ADVISOR:</b>	-Continue working with the Faculty Advisor to complete thesis
<b>DELIVERABLE:</b>	-Submit senior thesis (35-50 pages) to Faculty Advisor for grading of text excluding title page, bibliography, appendices etc.) by Friday of Week 10 (confirm deadline with Faculty Advisor)
<b>PRESENT:</b>	-Present on your thesis at the End of The Year Recognition of Scholarship and Service Event
<b>STUDENT PROFILE:</b>	-Update International Institute Student Profile and post thesis

(Student Copy: Submit along with Glbl St 199A Contract)

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### Faculty Advisor Responsibilities

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### Scope of Research topic:

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### Expectations of Faculty Advisors:

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Your signature below indicates that you agree to abide by the faculty advisor responsibilities, outlined above. Note that your signature will also be required on the Glbl St 199A (Winter) and Glbl St 199B (Spring) Contracts.

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Name of Faculty Advisor (please print)

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Faculty Advisor's Signature

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Faculty Advisor's Home Department

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Name of Global Studies Student (please print)

**Faculty Advisor: Please retain this copy for your records**

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