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- Glbl St 194


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

WINTER QUARTER- Glbl St 199A

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 Glbl St 199A (Winter Quarter), students must have fulfilled the following prerequisites:

- Be a Global Studies Major
- Have taken Glbl 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 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.

SPRING QUARTER- Glbl St 199B


Enrollment in Glbl St 199B depends on demonstrating satisfactory progress towards the senior thesis during the first quarter of coursework (Glbl St 199A). To enroll in Glbl St 199B (Spring Quarter), students must submit a Contract Course form for Glbl 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. You do not need to submit a copy of your thesis to our office.

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 submit your final copy to your advisor, create/update your UCLA ONE profile, and include your thesis title.

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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

SPRING/SUMMER (Jr Year)

TOPIC: Narrow down your topic before you approach faculty. For help, talk to the Global Studies Subject Librarian, or visit the Undergraduate Research Center.

ADVISOR: Identify and meet with potential faculty advisors. It is crucial that you identify at least one potential advisor who is able to work with you by the end of summer.

FALL

WEEK 1 Finalize research topic and develop preliminary proposal.

WEEK 2 Secure a faculty advisor (must be in residence at UCLA for Winter and Spring). Have them sign the Faculty Advisor Responsibilities Form and Gbl St 199A Course Contract.

Finals Week Submit signed Gbl St 199A Course Contract AND signed Faculty Advisor Responsibilities Form to the Global Studies Advising Office by Friday of Finals Week of Fall. Submit Annotated Bibliography to the Gbl St 194 instructor by the same deadline.

WINTER

WEEKLY Meet with faculty advisor weekly to refine research and review progress.

Finals Week Submit draft of thesis (20-30 pages including brief introduction).

Submit signed Gbl St 199B Course Contract to the Global Studies Advising Office by Friday of Finals Week of Winter.

SPRING

WEEKLY Meet with faculty advisor weekly to refine research and review progress.

Confirm preferred formatting style (MLA, APA, Chicago) of final version.

WEEK 8 Apply for Senior Thesis Award (optional)

WEEK 10 Submit a final hard copy of your thesis to your Faculty advisor for grading (35-50 pages of text excluding title page, bibliography, appendices, etc.) by or before Friday of Week 10 (confirm deadline with Faculty Advisor).

Finals Week Create a UCLA ONE profile, and include your thesis topic.

*NOTE: Final thesis must be submitted to instructor only. The advising office does not collect final theses.
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Expectations of Faculty Advisors:

- Faculty advisors must be in residence for the two terms that the thesis will be undertaken.
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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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