

About the Department

Our Department offers a wide variety of global studies and geography courses which lead to a B.A. in Global Studies or a B.A. in Geography (including a specialization in Geographic Information Systems). Students interested in the Pre-Health program can choose a concentration in Global Studies or Geography. We actively encourage students to double major and many of our students are pursuing additional majors in subjects as varied as Political Science, Economics, Public Policy, Criminology, Sustainability, Journalism, Public Relations, and Psychology.

Our faculty works with students to tailor programs that meets their interests, needs, and ultimately shapes a rewarding post-Hofstra career. Additionally we guide our students in finding relevant internships and study abroad programs for which they can obtain course credit toward their degree.

Graduates have found employment in a wide variety of occupations reflecting the width and depth of our programs. Recent graduates have become lawyers, doctors, teachers, urban planners, GIS practitioners, book editors, congressional aides, PR professionals and journalists - just to name a few! Many of our graduates have pursued further education at prestigious graduate schools while others have been accepted into programs such as the Peace Corps and Teach for America .

Please explore our Department website to find out more about all the exciting academic and career options that we offer.

Meet Our Professors

CHAIRPERSON: Grant Saff, Ph.D. (Rutgers University) Global Economy, Urban Geography, Urban Planning, Economic Geography

Craig M. Dalton, Ph.D. (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill) Cultural Geography, Geographic Information Systems

Zilkia Janer, Ph.D. (Duke University) Cultural Globalization, Global Food Cultures

Kari Jensen, Ph.D. (Penn State) Cultural Geography, South Asia, Geographies of Children and Youth, Child Labor

Linda Longmire, Ph.D. (CUNY) Global Studies, International Politics, European Politics, Women's Studies

Jean-Paul Rodrigue, Ph.D. (University of Montreal) Transport Geography, Global Economy, East and Southeast Asia



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Global Studies at Hofstra University

Peter S. Kalikow School of Government,
Public Policy, and International Affairs
Hofstra College of Liberal Arts and Sciences



*"A place for me to discuss politics,
philosophy, social injustices,
and everything in between."
2016 Graduate*

Global Studies

Established in 2007, the B.A. in Global Studies has become **one of the most popular majors** in the Peter S. Kalikow School of Government, Public Policy and International Affairs, Hofstra College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

The B.A. in Global Studies is an interdisciplinary major or minor that provides students with the theoretical and practical tools to critically analyze the processes of economic political and cultural change that have collectively become known as ‘globalization.’

The key tenant of global studies is that the process of globalization cannot be captured by any single academic discipline. Global Studies draws on the theoretical and practical insights from disciplines and programs across the social sciences, humanities, natural sciences and business, providing students with the tools and knowledge to interpret our interconnected and constantly changing world so that they can excel in today’s global marketplace.

Our graduates have often gone on to pursue graduate degrees in a wide variety of fields. Alumni work in countries across the globe, and in firms and institutions as diverse as the United Nations, U.S. Congress, Apple, WABC, Citibank, MTA, Teach for America, various colleges and schools, non-governmental organizations and advocacy groups and government and city agencies.

B. A. Major in Global Studies

The **B.A. Major in Global Studies** requires a minimum of 33 semester hours of courses in global studies or approved courses in related disciplines, such as Geography, Political Science, International Business, Journalism, Economics, Public Policy, Philosophy, Criminology, Sociology and History.

A **Minor in Global Studies** consists of the successful completion of 18 semester hours of approved courses. We also offer a **Pre-Health Concentration in Global Studies** that allows students to study how globalization has impacted global health and welfare.

All majors and minors are required to complete at least two courses that focus on a geographic region. Students are encouraged to complete internships and to partake in a study abroad program, including our semester-long **European Odyssey Program**.

Students from all fields are encouraged to join our thriving student club, **Get Global**, that hosts events and programs that focuses on global issues and culture.

Please see the Hofstra Undergraduate Bulletin or visit hofstra.edu/geography for more detailed information about the B.A. Major in Global Studies.

Key Topics in Global Studies

- International Trade
- Migration and Immigration
- Political Conflict
- Gender Rights
- Transportation and Logistics
- Health Care and Diseases
- Human Rights
- Cultural Change and Identity
- Income Inequality
- Child Labor
- Human Trafficking
- Global Industrial Food Systems
- International Organizations
- Technological Innovation and Policy
- Global Cities
- Spatial Change
- Employment and Unemployment
- Global Climate Change
- Economic Development



“This department has been so welcoming and encouraging to all students to travel, dream big, do better, and to become active ... My life has forever been changed by the knowledge I gained during my time here...every professor I have had in the department has impacted me in some way and made me change and see things for the better.” **Global Studies Graduate, 2016**