International Studies Honors Program

The International Studies (INTS) Honors program will provide advanced work and expanded opportunities for academic research experience and superior scholarly achievement for distinguished students. In recognition of superior achievement, students who complete the Honors Program will receive the INTS Honors designation on their official transcript.

Admissions to International Studies Honors:

To be eligible for INTS Honors, students must meet the following criteria:

I. As an incoming freshman, students will need to have at least a (V+M) 1250 (SAT taken prior to March 2016) or 1310 (SAT taken during or after March 2016) or 28 ACT, and rank in the top ten percent of their high school class (if applicable).

II. As a transfer, students must have a 3.5 or higher GPA at their previous institutions, dual credit coursework is included.

III. As a continuing TAMU student, students must have a minimum 3.5 GPR at Texas A&M.

Each new student enrolled into the INTS Honors Program should choose or be assigned an INTS faculty member as a mentor according to his/her INTS track and interest.

Admissions are competitive and enrollment to the program will be limited to 20 new students every academic year. Students are encouraged to consult with INTS academic advisors as early as possible in their undergraduate career to plan their course sequences.

Students are ineligible to take honors courses if their cumulative GPA drops below a 3.5. Students would be able to resume honors coursework if their GPA returns to a cumulative 3.5.

Departmental requirements to graduate with Honors in International Studies:

To be awarded International Studies Honors, students must attain a minimum 3.5 cumulative GPR and complete 18 hours of Honors coursework. The coursework is as follows:

I. Six (6) hours of honors core curriculum courses either in Communication (KCOM), Literature, Language, Philosophy and Culture (KLPC), Creative Arts (KCRA), Social and Behavioral Sciences (KSOC), or Political Science (KPLL or KPLF)

II. Six (6) hours on any upper-division honors courses in ARAB, CHIN, FREN, GERM, INTS, ITAL, JAPN, RUSS, or SPAN

III. Three (3) hours of INTS 201H: Introduction to International Studies, Honors Section

IV. Three (3) hours of INTS 497 – Independent Honors Study
   a. INTS 497 is an additional Writing Intensive Course required for the INTS Honors Program. It does not have to substitute for INTS 481: Senior Seminar.

1 Prospective Freshmen and Transfer students who have completed these requirements may be permitted to substitute an alternative core curriculum requirement on a case-by-case basis
2 Continuing students who have completed INTS 201 prior to being admitted to the program may substitute this requirement with an additional upper-division honors in INTS or a foreign language
International Studies Honors Contract – Prospective Student

Name: ________________________________ UIN: ____________________________

Local Address: ___________________________________________________________

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Telephone: _________________________ TAMU email address: _____________________________

Term Entering A&M: _____________ Expected Graduation Date (if known): ______________

INTS Track (if known): ________________ Foreign Language (if known): ________________

Additional Honors Applications Completed (if applicable):

☐ Cornerstone (Liberal Arts) Honors ☐ University Honors ☐ Other __________________________

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Student Signature __________________________ Date (MM/DD/YYYY)

Advisor Signature __________________________ Date (MM/DD/YYYY)

Mentor Signature __________________________ Date (MM/DD/YYYY)

International Studies Honors Coursework

To be completed with your academic advisor during your first semester:

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¹Whenever upper-division honors course in ARAB, CHIN, FREN, GERM, INTS, ITAL, JAPN or RUSS are not offered, honors students can contact the faculty member teaching the course to agree on an Honors Contract. Honors contracts allow students to receive Honors credit for non-Honors courses by proposing alternate or additional activities aiming to emulate the experience of an Honors course.