

Recommended Course Requirement

As part of the Recommended Course Requirement for the major in Intercultural Studies, students are asked to complete **12 credit hours** at the 2000-level or above over the course of their degree from the list of accredited courses below:

- Intercultural Issues in a Global Context
- Communities and Identities: Privileges and Underprivileged Groups
- Historical Perspectives on Cultural Representations
- Language and Power

Language Program Contacts

Dr. Rohini Bannerjee (French), Ph.D. (Western)
Francophone Studies, 19th Century Colonial Novel,
Diaspora Studies.

Dr. Adam Spires (Latin American Studies), Ph.D.
(Alberta)
Spanish Language, Latin American Studies.

Dr. Alexandre Avdulov (Japanese), Ph.D. (Russian
Academy of Sciences)
Japanese Language and Culture, Compleitive Pedagogy.

Dr. Charles Beaupré (Chinese)
East Asian Studies, Cross-Cultural Educational
Psychology, Curriculum and Pedagogy

Dr. John L. Plews (German), Ph.D. (Alberta)
Second Language Curriculum and Pedagogy, German
Language and Culture.

Did you know...?

- This is an Interdisciplinary Program broad in its scope, engaging and focused in its contents!
- With its focus on languages, intercultural theories and community service learning, the Intercultural Studies Program is the only one of its kind in Canada!
- Intercultural Studies informs key research questions in Education, Social Work, Psychology, Business, Health, and Public Policy.

Need more information?

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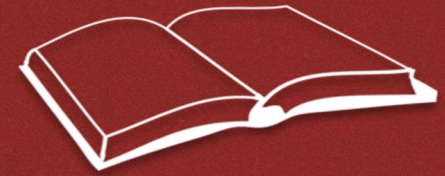
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Intercultural Studies

Saint Mary's University



**MODERN LANGUAGES
& CLASSICS**
FACULTY OF ARTS

The Major at a glance

- A Language and Culture component worth **24 CH** which requires the study of two languages other than their mother tongue as well as culture courses in these language areas.
- **Three** core courses in Intercultural Studies.
- One Required course in Psychology: **PSYCH 3430** Cross-Cultural Psychology.
- A **Community Service Learning** component with a variety of options available from Study Abroad Programs, to local organizations, and special projects offered by partner departments in the Arts.
- A list of elective courses to choose from worth **12 CH** as part of the Recommended Course Requirement.

The Minor at a glance

- A Language and Culture component worth **12 CH** which requires the study of one languages other than your mother tongue at an advanced level as well as culture courses in these language areas.
- **Three** core courses in Intercultural Studies ICST 1000, ICST 2000, and ICST 4000 which includes a Community Service Learning component.
- One Required course in Psychology: **PSYCH 3430** Cross-Cultural Psychology.

Why Study Intercultural Studies?

- ICST is an interdisciplinary program, which provides students with a breadth of knowledge and contemporary perspectives on global issues and challenges related to human interactions and cultures in contact.
- Gain the competencies to engage successfully in a meaningful career and make a difference in the world!
- Intercultural competencies are in high demand and highly regarded in the professional world across a wide spectrum of professions.

ICST Core Courses

ICST 1000 - Intercultural Communication

Study of intercultural communication in domestic and global contexts. Examines how differing cultures, languages, and social patterns influence the way individuals relate among themselves as members of groups and with members of other ethnic and cultural groups.

ICST 2000 - Identities and Subjectivities in the Colonial and Postcolonial Era

Deconstructing cultural representations related to gender, race, class. Critical analysis of various intercultural and transcultural encounters, experiences, and-or phenomena through engagement with literary texts, autobiographies and memoirs, documentary, feature film.

ICST 4000 - Applied Intercultural Studies

Community Service Learning Component.

Students will have different options to choose from:

- Study abroad programs with a CSL component in the Department of Modern Languages and Classics
- Field trips
- Special projects (Internships in local, national or international organizations)

Students must submit a project proposal or a research topic, which they will have to demonstrate fits into the broader context of intercultural studies, as well as an academic plan with the means to achieve their objectives.

PSYCH 3430 - Cross-Cultural Psychology

An examination of theory, methods, and research in cross-cultural psychology. This course focuses on human psychology (behaviours, cognition, emotion, motivation, and personality) across cultures, with the aim of raising understanding of human commonality and diversity. To what extent is social behaviour different or the same across the world? What theories can we use to understand the thoughts, feelings, actions, and beliefs of people across cultures?

