

**BA in International Studies &
MA in Diplomacy &
Strategic Affairs (MDSA)**

2021-2022 Catalog



UNIVERSITY OF
ST. THOMAS

Student: _____

ID#: _____

Advisor: _____

DATE: ____/____/____

Overall Requirements to Graduate

- 150+ hours (120 UG + 30 GRAD)
- Completion of core curriculum
- Completion of a major
- 36 upper division credit hours
- GPA above 2.0
- Major GPA above 2.0
- Minor/Program complete (optional)

Credit Hour Breakdown	
Hours completed	
Hours in progress	
Core hours needed	
Major hours needed	
MA hours needed	
(Minor hours needed)	
Elective hours needed	
TOTAL HOURS (150+)	

Core Curriculum (47 hours)			Complete	Needed
Theology (9 credit hours) Must take in order. (Pre-req: Phil 1311 or 1315/3315)				
<input type="checkbox"/> THEO 1301/3301 Intro to Sacred Scriptures <input type="checkbox"/> THEO 2301/3311 Teachings of the Catholic Church <input type="checkbox"/> THEO 3349 Christ and the Moral Life (Phil 2314 or 2316/3316)	Students with 30-59 transfer hrs: 6-9 hours THEO 6-9 hours PHIL 3 hours Synthesis <i>(18 hours total)</i>	Students with 60+ transfer hrs: 6 hours THEO 6 hours PHIL NO synthesis <i>(12 hours total)</i>		
Philosophy (9 credit hours) Choose one sequence:				
<u>Systematic Sequence (must take in order)</u>		<u>Historical Sequence (must take in order)</u>		
<input type="checkbox"/> PHIL 1311 Philosophy of the Human Person <input type="checkbox"/> PHIL 2314 Ethics <input type="checkbox"/> PHIL 3313 Metaphysics		<input type="checkbox"/> PHIL 1315/3315 Ancient Philosophy <input type="checkbox"/> PHIL 2316/3316 Medieval Philosophy <input type="checkbox"/> PHIL 3317 – Modern Philosophy		
Synthesis Course (3 credit Hours)				
Choose one synthesis course from the Synthesis Course List.				
English (9 credit hours)* Must take in order.				
<input type="checkbox"/> ENGL 1341 The Classical Tradition: Literature & Composition I <input type="checkbox"/> ENGL 1342 The Middle Ages: Literature & Composition II <input type="checkbox"/> ENGL 2312 The Modern World: Literature & Composition III		*Students with transfer credit: 3 transfer credits: <i>Take 1341/1342 (left)</i> 6 transfer credits: <i>Take ENGL 3312 (below)</i> <input type="checkbox"/> ENGL 3312 <i>Perspectives in World Lit.</i>		
History (6 credit hours) Choose one pair of courses:				
<u>World History</u>		<u>U.S. History</u>		
<input type="checkbox"/> HIST 1335 World Community I <input type="checkbox"/> HIST 1336 World Community II		<input type="checkbox"/> HIST 2333 U.S. History to 1877 <input type="checkbox"/> HIST 2334 U.S. History since 1877		
Social and Behavioral Sciences (6 credit hours) Choose one option:				
<u>Social and Behavioral Sciences Option</u>		<u>Social and Behavioral Sciences + Oral Communication Option</u>		(Included in major)
<input type="checkbox"/> Choose two courses from the Social and Behavioral Sciences Core course list.		<input type="checkbox"/> Choose one course from the Social & Behavioral Sciences Core course list. <input type="checkbox"/> Choose one course from the Communication Core Course list.		
Natural Sciences (4 credit hours)				
Natural Sciences + Modern and Classical Language Option (10 credit hours)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Choose one lecture/laboratory course from the Natural Sciences Core course list. <input type="checkbox"/> Choose two sequential courses in a language. <i>6 credit hours included in the major</i>				
Mathematics (3 credit hours)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Choose one course from the Mathematics Core Course list.				
Fine Arts (3 credit hours)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Choose one course from the Fine Arts Core Course list.				
Freshman Symposium (1 credit hour) Required for all incoming freshmen.				
<input type="checkbox"/> UNIV 1111 Freshman Symposium				

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Enrollment in the MA degree is predicated on admission to the program. Please refer to the graduate catalog for admissions requirements and timeline to apply.

Major Requirements (42 credit hours)	Completed	Needed
Geography (3 credit hours)		
<input type="checkbox"/> GEOG 2332 – World Regional Geography		
International Studies (21 credit hours)		
<input type="checkbox"/> INST 1351 – Introduction to International Studies (must take first) <input type="checkbox"/> INST 2352 – Research Methods in Int’l Studies <input type="checkbox"/> INST 3351 – Comparative Political Systems <input type="checkbox"/> INST 3352 – International Politics <input type="checkbox"/> INST 3354 – Int’l Political Economy (INST 3352) <input type="checkbox"/> INST 3355 – Intercultural Issues <input type="checkbox"/> INST 3366 – The American Foreign Policy Process		
Regional Studies (3 credit hours) Choose one of the following:		
<input type="checkbox"/> INST 3357 – Regional Study of Europe <input type="checkbox"/> INST 3360 – Regional Study of East Asia <input type="checkbox"/> INST 3359 – Regional Study of Latin America <input type="checkbox"/> INST 3363 – Regional Study of North Africa and the Middle East		
International Studies Electives (9 credit hours) Do not take INST 4364: will be an option as MLINS 6364		
<input type="checkbox"/> Choose three additional International Studies elective courses.		
Foreign Language (6 credit hours) Depending on fluency, see department.		
<i>The ability to communicate in foreign communities is fundamental to effective international work.</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Two sequential courses in a foreign language. Arabic, French, German, Greek, Italian, Irish, Japanese, Latin, Mandarin Chinese, Spanish		
Practical International Experience		
<i>Being immersed in an international environment is one of the most effective means for gaining an international perspective. Therefore, each student majoring in International Studies will complete one of the following practical international experiences:</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Study Abroad <input type="checkbox"/> Internship in international business <input type="checkbox"/> Structured experience abroad without academic credit		
Electives	Completed	Needed
Electives to reach the 120 undergrad hour minimum to graduate (31 hours)		
Master of Arts (30 credit hours)	Completed	Needed
MDSA Core Courses (12 credit hours)		
<input type="checkbox"/> MDSA 5301 – Intro to Diplomacy & Strategic Affairs <input type="checkbox"/> MDSA 5302 – Analytics in Strategic Affairs <input type="checkbox"/> MDSA 5303 – Advanced Seminar (substitutes INST 4398) <input type="checkbox"/> MDSA 6399 – Capstone Course (substitutes INST 4399)		
MDSA Field Courses Core Courses (6 credit hours)		
<input type="checkbox"/> MLINS 6364 – International Law <input type="checkbox"/> MLINS 6369 – Seminar in Development Studies <input type="checkbox"/> MLPOS 5372 – Public Administration Ethics		
MDSA General Electives (12 credit hours)		
Select 12 credit hours from MDSA, MLCOM, MLINS, MLPOS, MLPSY, MPPA (5000 & 6000 level).		

MINIMUM TOTAL: 150+

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