

Global Studies Major Deadlines and Recommended Plan of Courses

Note: Students are required to meet at least once annually with their major adviser. To find out who is the adviser for your year, check the current list at https://globalstudies.uchicago.edu/faculty-and-staff

Year 2

- GS1 (Autumn)
- GS2 (Winter or Spring)
- Plan to do your **research activity** over the summer and apply for internships and other opportunities (as well as funding sources) during the academic year. The research activity must be *supervised* such as an internship or a job as a research assistant. This also may be filled by participating in Mapping Global Chicago (offered in the Spring).

Year 3

- Methods course (any quarter)
- If you plan to fill the Foreign Language Requirement by earning a Practical or Advanced Language Proficiency Certification, you should reach out to the Office of Language Assessment as soon as possible, since for many languages, it may take up to a year for them to set up the exam.
- If you plan to write a BA thesis, you should be taking electives with professors who might be a good fit as a thesis adviser.
- Deadline to declare thesis option: February 1
- Deadline for thesis proposal: April 30
 - The thesis proposal must be accompanied by a **signed Faculty Reader form** indicating that your faculty reader has read and approved your proposal. **This form is required for enrollment in the BA thesis seminar.**
 - If your thesis will be housed in another department or program (meaning that you're taking their thesis seminar rather than ours), you may turn in a **Second Major Thesis Form** in lieu of a full proposal.
- Deadline for alternative thesis proposal: April 30
 - If you are opting out of the thesis, and want to do something other than a lengthy seminar paper, you must also turn in a proposal by April 30. Please meet with Prof. Maidhof or Prof. Fugazzola ahead of this date to discuss

what will be required of your specific project.

• Thesis-writers should conduct research over the summer to be prepared to start writing when they return to campus in the Autumn Quarter.

Year 4

- BA Thesis Seminar I (Autumn) and II (Winter) (thesis writers only)
- Students who are writing final papers in lieu of the thesis should enroll in a course that will serve as the basis of this paper in the Autumn Quarter.
- Final projects (both thesis and non-thesis) are due on the last day of the second week of the quarter in which you plan to graduate. This the final deadline; late theses or projects will not be accepted beyond this point.
- Students seeking feedback on drafts of their project for Spring graduation must submit them by the last day of class during the Winter quarter. Students are additionally responsible to any deadlines set by the preceptors of their thesis seminar. If you choose to house your thesis in your second major, you are responsible to their deadlines, regardless of whether they are earlier or later than the ones indicated here. These amended deadlines must be indicated on the Second Major Thesis form.