

Liberal Arts: Global Studies

in cooperation with Rider University's
Global Studies baccalaureate program

Associate in Arts Degree in Liberal Arts and Sciences

Program **LA.GLOB.AA**
CIP 240101



The Liberal Arts concentration in Global Studies prepares students who plan to graduate from Mercer with an A.A. degree in Liberal Arts and Sciences for guaranteed transfer to Rider University's Global Studies baccalaureate program. Students are encouraged to read details of the Mercer/Rider guaranteed transfer articulation agreement posted on the MCCC Transfer Services website.

The objectives of a Global Studies concentration are the same as those for a general Liberal Arts degree.

PROGRAM OUTCOMES

- Understand the vocabulary and the major concepts present in the humanities, the social sciences, and the natural sciences;
- Articulate complex ideas clearly and effectively, both in speech and in writing;
- Perform a series of thinking tasks including speculation, analysis, and synthesis (i.e., abstract reasoning);
- Utilize research materials and approaches;
- Speak, write, read, and comprehend a world language commensurate with the level of study.

Some differences specific to a Global Studies concentration are the requirement of four semesters of world language study along with introductory coursework in Economics and Anthropology, a mandatory course taken at Rider University in the third semester, and a specific emphasis on World History and World Literature.

Students must complete all specified coursework for the Liberal Arts Global Studies concentration and graduate from MCCC with a cumulative 2.5 or higher GPA for guaranteed transfer to Rider University's Global Studies program.

NOTE: All program listings are subject to periodic updates. Please consult your program advisor, academic division, or www.mccc.edu/programs_degree

Curriculum

Global Studies Concentration

Code	Course (lecture/lab hours)	Credits
FIRST SEMESTER		
ANT 101	Anthropology (3/0)	3
CSW 100	College Success and Personal Wellness (2/0)†	2
ENG 101	English Composition I (3/0)	3
MAT 125	Elementary Statistics I (3/0)	3
— —	World Language elective ¹	3
SECOND SEMESTER		
CMN 111	Speech: Human Communication (3/0)	3
	OR	
CMN 112	Public Speaking (3/0)	3
ENG 102	English Composition II (3/0)	
HIS 112	World History to 1500 (3/0)	3
MAT —	Mathematics elective ²	3
— —	World Language elective ¹	3
THIRD SEMESTER		
ECO 103	Basic Economics (3/0)	3
GLS 285	The Student Global Village ³	3
HIS 113	World History Since 1500 (3/0)	3
ENG —	Literature elective ⁴	3
— —	World Language elective ¹	3
— —	Science laboratory elective	3-4
FOURTH SEMESTER		
— —	Philosophy OR Religious Studies	3
	OR History elective ⁵	
— —	World Language elective ¹	3
— —	Science OR Technology elective ⁶	3-4
— —	Social Science elective ⁷	3
— —	Program elective ⁸	3
		62-64

¹ Courses must be taken in a progressive sequence limited to one language; start at 101 only if this is a new language for you. Choose carefully with a faculty advisor regarding the transferability of language courses.

² MAT 126 recommended. MAT 120 or higher-level mathematics courses are acceptable alternatives. Consult your academic advisor and the institution(s) to which you plan to apply for transfer regarding their math requirements.

³ Students must take this course at Rider University. For details, see the Rider University guaranteed transfer articulation document on the MCCC Transfer Services website.

⁴ Select from ENG 203 (World Literature I), ENG 204 (World Literature II), or ENG 232 (Post-Colonial Women Writers).

⁵ Select carefully, with assistance from an academic advisor or transfer counselor.

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⁷ Select from all Social Science general education electives as well as some – not necessarily general education – in ANT, CMN, POL, PSY, SOC, and WGS course categories. One elective must be at the 200 level. The list of acceptable Social Science electives is available in the Liberal Arts Division or from any academic advisor.

⁸ Recommended: ART 124 (History of Non-Western Art), BUS 230 (Global Environment of Business), HIS 215 (The Holocaust and Other Genocides), HOS 115 (Food and Culture), SOC/WGS 132 (Introduction to Women's and Gender Studies), SOC 201 (Marriage and the Family).

† Some exemptions apply. Consult academic advisor for details.