### INTERNATIONAL STUDIES MINOR

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## **PSFA ISM**

- ▶ SDSU ranks high nationwide in the number of students who study abroad. We ranked #3 in 2019!
- ► The PSFA International Studies Minor is one of the first of its kind in the nation.
- ► We started offering courses in spring 2010.
- ▶ By now, over 570 SDSU students have declared the minor.
- ► Many students have completed and graduated with the minor.

#### **BENEFITS-**

- A minor in international studies will strengthen almost any major.
- ► It adds credentials to your resume and makes you more marketable when you graduate.
- ► The Minor's study abroad requirement is an enhanced international experience with a final product in the form of a portfolio (with cross-cultural data, a complete research paper, and a PPT presentation).
- ► Many SDSU students plan to study abroad already, the minor will build a degree around your experience, with great flexibility.

#### REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MINOR

- 18 Units (6 courses) are required for the minor
  - Core requirements (12 units):
    - PSFA350 Introduction to International Studies (3.0)
    - PSFA501 Study Abroad I (3.0)
    - PSFA502 Study Abroad II (3.0)
    - PSFA550 International Studies Capstone (3.0)
  - Electives (6 units from the following list):

• CJ570	JMS450	PA580	
• PSFA100	JMS210	MUSIC345	ART357
• TFM363	COMM371	DANCE382	RTM404

- \*and, <u>any course from abroad</u>
- \* as well as many SDSU courses with intercultural components.

#### CONTINUE...

- PSFA 501 and 502 are NOT two separate trips, but two courses (6 units) from abroad.
- They can take place in one semester or even one summer/winter.
- You may use other courses from abroad to substitute for electives.

 You may double dip with your GE or exploration courses with the minor.

# INFORMATION SESSIONS INTERNATIONAL STUDENT CENTER

 Attend one of the education abroad information sessions which cover materials about study abroad options at SDSU:

http://www.isc.sdsu.edu/study\_abroad/calendar.html

 Visit International Student Center for more information and help regarding study abroad programs at SDSU.

#### RELATED WEBSITES

https://psfa.sdsu.edu/international/international\_minor (ISM homepage)

http://studentaffairs.sdsu.edu/ISC/content/Abroad/EAFuture/By
 Country.html (SDSU prospective programs by country)

https://sdsu-sa.terradotta.com/ (SDSU Aztecs Abroad for applications)

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