

Academic Rhode Map for BA Global Studies Major at Rhode Island College

GENERAL EDUCATION: A complete listing of General Education courses can be found in the online catalog; look at catalog for year you enrolled. For Gen Ed courses, aside from Second Language requirement, which varies depending on where you are placed, you need ONE course from each category. Second Language 101/102 options are: American Sign, Arabic, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Portuguese, or Spanish. For other ways to satisfy the second language requirement look under the Gen Ed. section of the catalog. For information about Math Placement exam visit the orientation webpage. Any courses marked (F) offered Fall only; (Sp) Spring only. **Courses with an asterisk* have prerequisites. Courses with a "W" in the prefix are Writing in the Discipline (WID) courses and will be writing intensive.**

Academic Major Checklist	Course
GLOB 200W Global Studies and the World (WID)	
GLOB 461W Seminar in Global Studies* (WID)	
GEOG 200 World Regional Geography	
HIST 204 Global History Since 1500*	
ONE course from HIST 218, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 234, 235, 236, 238, 239, 241, 242, 243, 258, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 318, 325, 330, 336, 340, 341, 342, 345, 348. [All*] Other 200-300-level history courses on a global perspective (except for Connections) might be used in consultation with advisor.	
POL 103 Global Politics	
ONE course from INGO 300, 301, 304, or GEND 245 (Sp), or POL 245 (Sp), 303 (Sp), 315, 337, 341 (Sp), 342, 343, 344 (Sp), 345 (F), 346, 347 (Sp), 348 (F) [All* except GEND/POL 245] Other 300-level classes on a global perspective from INGO or POL might be used in consultation with advisor.	
ECON 200 Introduction to Economics (or, ECON 214 or ECON 215)	
ONE course from ECON 331, 335, 337, 421, 422, 437. [All*] Other 300-400-level class on a global perspective from ECON might be used in consultation with advisor.	
ANTH 101 Introduction to Cultural Anthropology	
ONE course from ANTH 301, ANTH 309, 310, 312, 333, 334, 338, 345, 461, ENST 301, FNED 461, GEOG/POL 337, GEOG/POL 338, or SOC 314, 324, 333, 345, 435. [All*] Other 300-400 level course on a global perspective from ANTH, SOC, or GEOG might be used in consultation with their advisor.	
ONE course COMM 348, ENGL 335, 336, FILM 353, FREN 313, 323, 324, ITAL 322, MLAN 360, PORT 302, 303, 304, 305, or SPAN 310, 311, 312, 313. [All*] Other 300-400 level classes on a global perspective in ART, COMM, DANC, ENGL, FILM, FREN, ITAL, MLAN, MUS, PORT, SPAN, or THTR might be used in consultation with advisor.	

Note: Not required but recommended ENGL 203 Career Readiness for Humanities Majors (1 credit; graded S/U)

This map is a semester-by-semester plan to help you toward graduation in four years. Not everyone graduates in four years as it depends on how many courses you can take, and how you do in those courses. This map is not your only route; it is a suggestion. You might take additional courses over the summer (or early spring/winter) to catch up or get ahead if the courses you need are offered at these times. While many courses in your major will have prerequisites that you will need to take in a special order, there is some flexibility in this map, but always double check you have the correct prerequisites for a course you plan to take.

The column to the left on the other side of this page suggests the ideal courses for you to take each semester. There are times when those courses may be full or unavailable the semester you plan to take them, in which case consider another course from a different semester with which you can switch. The column on the right has "Checkpoints" for each semester that show where you should be by the end of that semester. You should work from this map as you plan each semester's schedule, before checking in with your advisor. The Map is designed primarily for freshmen coming to college for the first time, but transfer students may also use the Rhode Map with the understanding that they have most likely completed several requirements through transfer of credit and will be starting further into the program. Maps assume a Fall start.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS: The following requirements must be completed by undergraduate degree candidates at Rhode Island College in order to graduate:

- General Education program, including a second language requirement and RIC 100 or its equivalent
- College Math Milestone (which is separate from the Gen Ed math requirement)
- College Writing Competency (satisfied by FYW with a minimum grade of C)
- Academic Major—see check chart. Writing in the Discipline requirement is satisfied through major courses
- A minimum of 120 credit hours, with a minimum of 45 credit hours taken at RIC. Of the 45 credit hours, a minimum of 15 credit hours must be in the major (12 of which must be at the 300- or 400-level)
- A minimum overall grade point average of 2.0
- A minimum grade point average of 2.0 in your major

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SEMESTER 1	CR	SEMESTER 1 CHECKPOINTS
First Year Writing (FYW 100) or (FYW 100P)	4	FYW 100P is a 6-credit option. There is a Directed Self-Placement questionnaire you can take to aid in this decision; check the RIC First Year Writing website
RIC 100 Introduction to RIC	1	Exempt if taking COLL 101, COLL 150, or HONR 150
Gen Ed Distribution History (H)	4	
Gen Ed--Second Lang 101 (based on placement, a course higher than 101/102 may be taken). If language requirement already satisfied: another Gen Ed Distribution	4	Language placement test with Dept. of Modern Languages (optional). Complete Second Lang 101 (if needed)
Choose from ANTH 101 or GEOG 200	4	Satisfies Gen Ed. Social and Behavioral Studies (SB)
Requirements and GPA		Aim for 16 earned credits (While 12 is fulltime, 16 credits are preferred to stay on track to graduate in 4 years). Math Milestone completed. Minimum 2.0 GPA
# CREDITS EARNED	17	Make appointment with advisor to discuss your schedule for next semester in Sept.

SEMESTER 2	CR	SEMESTER 2 CHECKPOINTS
FYW 100 or FYS 100	4	Complete FYS and FYW, for FYW, grade C or better
Gen Ed Distribution course from one of these GE categories: Arts (A); Math (M); or Natural Sciences (NS).	4	
Gen Ed--Second Lang 102,* other Gen Ed course, or required course for major/minor	3-4	Complete Second Lang 102* (if needed)
Choose from ANTH 101 or GEOG 200	4	ANTH 101 and GEOG 200 both completed
Requirements and GPA		Aim for minimum of 32 earned credits, with minimum of 2.0 GPA overall and in the major
# CREDITS EARNED	15-16	Make appointment with advisor to discuss your schedule for next semester in Feb.

SEMESTER 3	CR	SEMESTER 3 CHECKPOINTS
Gen Ed Distribution course from one of these GE categories: Arts (A); Math (M); or Natural Sciences (NS)	4	Prereq. for most Math and Science Gen Ed. courses is Math Milestone
GLOB 200W Global Studies and the World (WID)	4	
Choose from HIST 204* or POL 103	4	Prereq. for HIST 204 is any Gen. Ed. History course
ENGL 203 Career Readiness for Humanities Majors*	1	Not required but recommended ; prereq. FYW 100 or completion of the college writing requirement, and completion of at least 15 credit hours
Gen Ed Distribution Literature (L)	4	If strong in a second language consider Gen Ed (L) in that language (115).
Requirements and GPA		Aim for minimum of 47-48 earned credits, with minimum of 2.0 GPA overall and in the major
# CREDITS EARNED	16	Make appointment with advisor in Sept. to discuss your schedule for next semester and discuss possible minor

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SEMESTER 4	CR	SEMESTER 4 CHECKPOINTS
Choose Connections course (Gen Ed-C)*	4	Prereqs are 45 completed credits and FYW and FYS
Gen Ed. in Arts (A); Math (M); or Natural Sciences (NS), or a prerequisite course.	4	Prereq. for most Math and Science Gen. Ed. courses is the Math Milestone
Choose from HIST 204* or POL 103	3-4	HIST 204* and POL 103 both completed; Prereq. for HIST 204 is ANY History Gen Ed.
ECON 200 (or ECON 214* or ECON 215*)	3-4	Prereqs for ECON 214 or 215 are completion of College Mathematics Milestone
Requirements and GPA		Aim for minimum of 62-64 earned credits, with minimum of 2.0 GPA overall and in the major
# CREDITS EARNED	14-16	Make appointment in Feb. with advisor to discuss your schedule for next semester

SEMESTER 5	CR	SEMESTER 5 CHECKPOINTS
Choose ONE Advanced Quantitative/Scientific Reasoning (Gen Ed-AQSR)*	4	Prereqs are Gen Ed-NS and/or Gen Ed-M.
ONE course from INGO 300, 301, 304; or POL 303, 315, 337, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348 [All*] -OR-ONE course from HIST 218, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 234, 235, 236, 238, 239, 241, 242, 258, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 318, 325, 330, 336, 340, 341, 342, 345, 348. [All*]	3-4	Prereq. for all HIST courses and POL 315 is HIST Gen Ed.; for POL 337 any 200-level GEOG or POL; for POL 343 or INGO 301 any 200-level POL; for POL 303, 341, 342, 345, 346, 348, or INGO 300 is POL 203; for POL 344 completion of 30 credits; for INGO 304 is INGO 303 or INGO 305 or by consent. May take INGO 304 for 3 credits if took INGO 303 for 1 credit, otherwise all four credits.
ONE course from ANTH 301, 309, 310, 312, 333, 334, 338, 345, 461, GEOG/POL 337, GEOG/POL 338, or SOC 333, 345, 435 [All*]	4	Prereqs vary—see catalog.
Possible prerequisite course for Global Studies “Art, Literature, Communication” distribution course, or elective	3-4	See catalog for “Art, Literature, Communication” distribution courses and their prerequisites.
Requirements and GPA		Aim for minimum of 76-80 earned credits, with minimum of 2.0 GPA overall and in the major
# CREDITS EARNED	14-16	Make appointment in Sept. with advisor to discuss your schedule for next semester

SEMESTER 6	CR	SEMESTER 6 CHECKPOINTS
ONE course COMM 348, ENGL 335, 336, FILM 353, FREN 313, 323, 324, ITAL 322, MLAN 360, PORT 302, 303 305, or SPAN 310, 311, 312, 313 [All*]	4	Prereqs vary—see catalog.
ONE course from INGO 300, 301, 304; GEOG 337 or POL 303, 315, 337, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348 [All*] -OR-ONE course from HIST 218, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 234, 235, 236, 238, 239, 241, 242, 258, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 318, 325, 330, 336, 340, 341, 342, 345, 348. [All*]	3-4	Prereq. for all HIST courses and POL 315 is HIST Gen Ed.; for GEOG/POL 337 any 200-level GEOG or POL; for POL 343 or INGO 301 any 200-level POL; for POL 303, 341, 342, 345, 346, 348, or INGO 300 is POL 203; for POL 344 completion of 30 credits; for INGO 304 is INGO 303 or INGO 305 or by consent. May take INGO 304 for 3 credits if took INGO 303 for 1 credit, otherwise all four credits.
ONE course from ECON 331, 335, 337, 421, 422, 437 [All*]	4	Prereqs. For ECON 331 are math competency and ECON 200, or ECON 214 or 215; for ECON 335 and ECON 337 are math competency and ECON 200, or ECON 214. Prereqs. For ECON 421, 422 and 437 are ECON 214, ECON 215 and MATH 177.
Any remaining General Education course, prerequisite, or elective.	3-4	
Requirements and GPA		Aim for minimum of 92-96 earned credits, with minimum of 2.0 GPA overall and in the major. If pursuing minor or second major make sure you have registered for this with the relevant department prior to audit. Apply for degree audit online through MyRIC
# CREDITS EARNED	14-16	Make appointment in Feb. with advisor to discuss your schedule for next semester

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SEMESTER 7	CR	SEMESTER 7 CHECKPOINTS
GLOB 461W Seminar in Global Studies* (WID)	4	Prereqs. 60 credits and at least FOUR 300 level courses needed for the program
Any remaining General Education course or elective	3-4	
Elective or course in minor/major	3-4	May need one additional course for full-time status (12 credits).
Requirements and GPA		All ten GE courses and second lang. req. completed Aim for minimum of 108 earned credits, with minimum of 2.0 GPA overall and in the major
# CREDITS EARNED	12-14	Make appointment in Sept. with advisor to discuss your schedule for next semester

SEMESTER 8	CR	SEMESTER 8 CHECKPOINTS
Elective or course in minor/major	3-4	
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Elective or course in minor/major	3-4	If elective course is 3 credits, need one additional course for full-time status (12 credits).
Requirements and GPA		Need minimum of 120 earned credits, with minimum of 2.0 GPA overall and in the major
# CREDITS EARNED	12-14	Attend Gradfest and Commencement

For more information, check the Global Studies Program website:
<https://www.ric.edu/department-directory/global-studies-program>

Global Studies Minor (see catalog for more explanation of categories)

21-23 credit hours or 6 courses as follows:
GLOB 200W Global Studies and the World (WID)
GEOG 200 World Regional Geography
POL 103 Global Politics
HIST 204 Global History Since 1500
One COURSE from 200-300 level classes from the Global Studies Distribution courses of chosen concentration (3-4) some have prereqs.
One COURSE 300-400 level classes from the Global Studies Distribution courses of chosen concentration (3-4) all have prereqs.
<i>Note: some courses may have additional prerequisites: see catalog.</i>
Possible Concentrations:
Global History
Global Politics
Global Culture and Society
Global Art and Communication
Regional Studies
Others (can be determined after discussing with the program director)

Note: The minimum total credit count for the major is 40-42 credits (depending on choices), and 40 credits for General Education (4 of these credits double count toward the major—SB), so the total minimum number of credits is 76-78. This leaves a possible 42-44 credits that may need to include two secondary language courses and RIC 100 but could also include a second major or minors, or just be taken as electives.