











SOCIAL WELFARE B.S.

COMBINED MAJOR/MINOR

+GLOBAL DISTINCTION

MAJOR ACADEMIC PLAN (MAP)

Sample Progression Plan

<p>Fall Semester 1 ASoc 115 SS RPos 101 US Major – Human Biology course NS <i>AUsp/AGog/AGlo 225 IP</i>  (<i>Development</i>) <i>Foreign Language FL</i>  (You can start FL study in your 2nd year instead.)</p>	<p>Spring Semester 1 APsy 101 SS ASoc 180 CH SS AMat 108 MS UUNI 110 WCI <i>Foreign Language</i> </p>	<p>Summer 1 <i>Consider coursework (Pro Tip: spread out your Major or Gen Ed requirements by taking them in the summer)</i> <i>Look for a summer job in the area of your studies</i></p>
<p>Fall Semester 2 ASoc 260 or APsy 270 APsy 203 or 327 RSsw 290 RSsw 210 <i>Foreign Language</i> </p>	<p>Spring Semester 2 <i>Study Abroad!</i>  IP Major – Elective as advised 2-3 Electives <i>Foreign Language</i>  <i>Study abroad in any semester or even for 1 year, with the approval of your Major and GD academic advisors.</i></p>	<p>Summer 2 <i>Intern/Research Abroad!</i>  IP (8-10 weeks) <i>May earn credit for RSsw 190/450</i> <i>Pro Tip: Why not declare the International Studies Minor to formally reflect study and interning abroad or add a Language Minor?</i></p>
<p>Fall Semester 3 RSsw 301 RSsw 305 APSY 338 Arts Gen Ed AR Elective (more language?)</p>	<p>Spring Semester 3 RSsw 306 RSsw 322 <i>RSsw 299 CH</i>  (<i>Culture</i>) = Major Elective <i>RPos/RPad/HHpm 486 CH SS</i>  (<i>Transnational</i>) Humanities Gen Ed HU</p>	<p>Summer 3 Summer internship? Consider shadowing opportunities</p>
<p>Fall Semester 4 RSsw 400 RSsw 401 RSsw 405Z RSsw 408 Elective</p>	<p>Spring Semester 4 RSsw 406 RSsw 409 RSsw 410 <i>RSsw 450/499</i>  <i>(globally-oriented capstone project)</i> Elective</p>	<p>Congratulations! <i>You have earned UAlbany's Global Distinction!</i></p>

General Education Requirements, for students matriculating Fall 2014 and after:



MS Mathematics and Statistics	SS Social Sciences
WCI Writing and Critical Inquiry	IP International Perspectives
AR Arts	US U.S. Historical Perspectives
HU Humanities	CH Challenges for the 21 st Century
NS Natural Sciences	FL Foreign Language (<i>one semester of collegiate study, or the equivalent, of a foreign language</i>)

Credit bearing Professional Development Options:

- RSSW 290, 291 and 390 – Community Service
- Research within major University
- Internship Departmental Internship
- Community Engaged Coursework
- Study Abroad
- Tutoring opportunities

NOTE: This is a suggested course sequence.

Global Distinction (GD) Course Categories:

-  UAlbany Gen Ed or Major requirement AND counts towards the GD (Global Distinction)!
-  Counts towards the GD AND your Electives AND may also count towards your Major, Minor or Gen Ed Requirements!

*See the back of this sheet for more information about the Global Distinction.

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What the Global Distinction Program can do for you!

Global Distinction is a new University at Albany Milestone (appearing on the bottom of your official transcript upon graduation) conferred upon students who complete a structured set of life-changing, international academic experiences that produce a globally competent graduate. Today's employers and graduate school programs seek students who have the right balance of disciplinary knowledge and real-world problem-solving skills. In today's highly globalized society, scientists, artists, employees, and small business owners all need to master inter-cultural communication skills. Global Distinction meets that need through

- 2 years (4 semesters) of **foreign language** acquisition or the equivalent in proficiency
- **Interdisciplinary, globally-oriented coursework**, including 1 course that includes a focus on
 - Culture-Area Studies or Inter-Cultural Competency (**Culture**)
 - International Development or Economics (**Development**)
 - International Relations, Migration, or Human Rights (**Transnational**)
 - a Capstone Research Project that is approached with a global lens (if your Major requires a research seminar/paper)
- **International immersion** via a **study abroad** semester and an 8-10 week summer **internship/research** opportunity

You can graduate on time!

With the guidance of your academic advisors for your Major, Minor and the Global Distinction (GAP Director Dr. Annette Richie; email arichie@albany.edu for an appointment), you will find your "best fit" university for your study abroad semester and your summer internship or lab research placement. The "extra" language and interdisciplinary, globally-oriented coursework can be completed at UAlbany or abroad, or applied from your Transfer, Advanced Placement, and University in the High School courses. *Culture*, *Development* and *Transnational* courses can be found in various Majors and Minors and many fulfill Gen Ed requirements.

The GD program is within your financial reach!

You can use financial aid and most UAlbany scholarships for studying and interning abroad as you are earning UAlbany credit! Global Distinction participants will be eligible for a **Flight Voucher**, to apply towards studying, interning, or researching abroad.

Global Academic Programs offers its own **scholarships** through the World Within Reach Scholarship Fund and The Joan N. Savitt Scholarship for Study Abroad. Learn more at <http://www.albany.edu/studyabroad/scholarships-grants.php>. Jacqueline Ledermann, GAP Assistant Director, advises on external scholarship applications, such as the NSEP Boren Scholarship, the Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship, and the Critical Language Scholarship. Some nations and overseas universities that we partner with also offer their own scholarships. Amounts and eligibility criteria vary.

Study abroad in your Major at these UAlbany partner universities (these are just a few examples)!

Australia: University of Notre Dame of Australia (Freemantle and Sydney); University of Wollongong (Wollongong)

China: Sichuan University (Chengdu)

Denmark: Study Abroad in Scandinavia (DIS, Copenhagen)

Germany: German Universities of Applied Sciences 7 (Bremen, and Munich for spring/summer semester)

Korea: Hallym University (Chuncheon)

South Africa: University of Cape Town (Cape Town, Social Welfare referred to as Social Development)

Sweden: Gothenburg University (Gothenburg)

U.K.: Foundation for International Education (London, England); Swansea University (Swansea, Wales); University of Glasgow (Glasgow, Scotland); University of Hull (Kingston-on-Hull, England)