

“International Option” Degree Designation Admission and Completion Application

The International Option is an academic choice offered within Georgia College & State University’s baccalaureate programs for students who seek to integrate substantive and challenging international preparation into their studies. The option includes both international study and related experiences that are integrated into a student’s undergraduate major. Degree requirements are not modified, but are satisfied with specialized courses and appropriate choices of elective courses. Completion of the International Option requirements as part of a baccalaureate degree program will be recognized by the designation “**International Option**” on a student’s transcript.

In order to apply for admission to the International Option and to continue to pursue it, a student must maintain an overall 3.0 GPA or better. An application outlining how the student proposes to complete the International Option needs to be approved only by the adviser and the Assistant Vice President for International Education.

When seeking admission to the International Option, a student should list how s/he **proposes** to fulfill the requirements under A – D below prior to obtaining the adviser’s signature (but need not obtain the chair’s signature) and should check the box for **Proposed program** below and submit to the Assistant VP for International Education. **Upon completion of the International Option**, a student needs to submit the form a second time with the exact list of courses and capstone, together with all signatures, including that of the Department Chair, to the Assistant VP for International Education and check the box for **Completed program**.

The academic adviser and the Assistant VP for International Education will monitor the student’s progress. **The Assistant VP for International Education will sign the second submission of the form only when the student has completed all requirements and then submit this form to the Registrar.** Students who fail to maintain a GPA of at least 2.5 in any semester or who fail to achieve an overall GPA of at least 3.0 prior to the start of the International Experience will be evaluated to determine if they will be allowed to continue in the International Option Program.

Student: _____ GCID #: _____ Major(s): _____ Minor(s): _____

Proposed program for the International Option

Completed program

A. Required 4 Courses selected from among at least 3 of the following 4 categories:	Semester/Year	Course Number(s)	Title(s)
• International Relations:	1. _____	_____	_____
	2. _____	_____	_____
• Global Business, Economics & Resources:	1. _____	_____	_____
	2. _____	_____	_____
• Country or Regional Studies:	1. _____	_____	_____
	2. _____	_____	_____
• Cultural Awareness:	1. _____	_____	_____
	2. _____	_____	_____

B. Foreign Language Competency: Listening, reading, writing and oral proficiency.
Intermediate Mid Level (ACTFL) by completion of 3000-level course in a language other than English or approved evaluation.

Language: _____ Means of Evaluation: _____

C. International Experience: One semester or more of study abroad or approved equivalent internship, research, service-learning, etc.
Study abroad country and program: _____

D. Capstone: Project that integrates knowledge of the major discipline and the international experience in a global context.
Proposed capstone project: _____

This form endorsed below by Adviser verifies approval for the student listed above to enroll in the International Option. The form endorsed by the Adviser, Department Chair and Assistant VP for International Education verifies completion of the program.

Student’s Signature	Name Printed	Date
Adviser’s Signature	Name Printed	Date
Department Chair’s Signature (needed only on completion of program)	Name Printed	Date
Assistant V.P. for International Education’s Signature	Name Printed	Date