Student Success Map for INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

	First Year	Middle Years	Final Year
Create Classroom Success	 Meet with your Academic Advisor to review major requirements Take Intro to International Studies, World Language I&II & World Culture Requirement selections Tour the CORD to locate the Writing Center and tutoring Connect with INST faculty and administration 	 Find a faculty mentor and talk about career plans, research and/or grad school Check with your advisor on your progress Take World Language III-VI, Basic Econ, & concentration requirement selections Continue to develop relationships with INST faculty and Administration 	 Meet with your Academic Advisor to confirm you are ready to graduate Take Applied Global Studies selections & other upper-level courses Design a resume and include all skills acquired
Find Campus Belonging	 Attend HillFest in September Read the "One Community, One Book" Join an RSO & attend an INST Coffee Hour 	☐ Increase your involvement in an RSO	 ☐ Mentor a first-year student ☐ Take on a leadership role in an RSO
Make Local & Global Connections	 Find a service project on GivePulse Explore Study Abroad opportunities Explore internship opportunities Attend the Study Abroad Fair 	🗌 Study Abroad	☐ Attend a professional conference
Build Career Ready Skills	 Take the Career Readiness Inventory Find a student mentor Explore a minor or combined major in an area studies discipline, or double major 	 Complete the Career Launch program Explore the PACE microcertificate and/or UofA Career-Ready Badge Check-out on-campus jobs 	 Take the Career Readiness Inventory and First Destination Survey Explore LinkedIn Learning and level up your skills
Prep for Post- Graduation	 Talk to a Career Coach about on-campus and/or summer jobs Create LinkedIn & Handshake profiles Make an affordability plan with a financial aid counselor Apply for college scholarships 	 Do an internship (visit with a Career Coach or take ARSC 10401: Internship Readiness for help applying) Complete a Challenge Card assessment Apply for college scholarships 	 Conduct 3 career conversations Match your resume to the skills necessary for 3 careers Meet with a Career Coach and/or faculty member for assistance applying for grad programs or jobs Update your LinkedIn and Handshake profiles

Career Info for INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

What are the UofA Career-Ready Skills?	What skills does this major develop?	What graduate programs do majors often go into?
 Career and self-development Communication Critical thinking Perspective awareness Leadership experience Professionalism Teamwork Technology 	 Data Interpretation Language proficiency Strategic thinking Adaptability Global perspective Communicating complex ideas Understanding international systems Evaluate ideas 	 International Relations or Global Studies Law Public Policy International Education Business Administration Peace & Conflict Studies or Area Studies Global Communication Nonprofit Management

What careers do majors often go into?

- Write your own story! Your broad skillset gives you the agility to blaze paths in emergent fields.
- International Relations majors are found in a wide variety of sectors, using their skills in research, government, nonprofits, education, media, law, publishing, business development, human rights, and other industries.
- Education
- Law
- Foreign Service/Diplomacy
- Policy Analysis
- Humanitarian Aid
- Research
- International Development
- Legislation
- International Trade
- NGO Program Management
- Grant Writing
- Foreign Correspondent

How do I start to plan my career?

□ Complete the SparkPath Challenge Card activity online and then discuss your results with a career coach or career peer mentor. Talk about why it is important to you, how it relates to you and your previous experiences.

 \square What organizations are working on it?

□ Which of these organizations appeal to me? What role would I like to have with them?

□ What are my skills and how will I use them to work on this challenge?

□ What skills, knowledge and experience do I need to develop to contribute more to the challenge?

□ What is my plan to learn these things? Who can I connect with at the UofA for help?



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