

# INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

Career  
Pathway

## Course Offerings/Credits

Minimum of 3 Courses

Economics	1
AP European History	1
Foreign Language (Honors III and IV)	1
Genocide	1
Anthropology	1
Choices and Global Perspectives	1

## Career Choices

- Law
- Diplomacy
- Business
- Human Resources
- Translator
- Importer/Exporter
- Nonprofit organization

## Learning Opportunities

- Herodotus Society
- Spanish Club
- French Club
- Model United Nations
- Capital Forum on America's Future



## Pathway Description

Students choosing to follow this pathway will be exposed to a variety of courses related to global opportunities.

The mission of the International Studies program is to foster creative thinking about complex global problems and to equip students with the analytic skills and tools, cultural expertise, and a cross-cultural understanding of social, political, and economic norms of the international community. In an ever-changing globalized world, an International Studies program offers a broad, interdisciplinary perspective that provides a solid grounding for many future endeavors.

Students are expected to develop an interdisciplinary understanding of international affairs. Students will explore various policy assessments and draw upon historical and modern precedents related to agenda setting and policy alternatives when addressing globalization issues. In particular, students will begin to address the practical and ethical aspects of international diplomacy and conflict and focus on the social, political, and economic outcomes which result.

## Pathway Recommendations

Students interested in pursuing a pathway in this area should meet with their guidance counselor to select the best sequence of courses that will satisfy the North Smithfield High School graduation requirements and at the same time, meet the criteria to receive a seal of concentration in International Studies. In a world of rapid globalization, it has become essential to broaden cultural horizons and to gain a working knowledge of world languages. For this reason, it is strongly suggested that students in International Studies continue their study of French or Spanish through level IV.

Students will also develop an International studies related focus which will culminate in field experience for the required senior project.

It is recommended that students choosing this concentration, actively seek postsecondary schools to further their education in this field.