

**PROPOSAL FOR A MAJOR IN  
AFRICAN STUDIES OR SOUTH ASIAN STUDIES**

Before you complete this form, please make an appointment with the appropriate track director (for African Studies or South Asian Studies). Once you have discussed your academic plans, please fill out this form and send a copy, via email, to the Director of International Studies, your track director, and the Coordinator for International Studies.

1. Name
2. College ID number
3. Anticipated date of graduation
4. Your proposed major: African Studies or South Asian Studies?
5. Why do you want to major in this track?
6. Courses at Middlebury that will fulfill your regional requirement:

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7. Courses at Middlebury that will fulfill your disciplinary requirement (some disciplines require five, some six courses – check the web site catalog entry for your IS discipline):

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8. How do you propose to fulfill the language requirement?

For African Studies, you will probably choose to study in a Francophone, Anglophone or Arabic-speaking region. If you already know French, an indigenous African language, or Arabic then you must study a second language.

*A Francophone* focus requires that you become as proficient in French as if you were going to France, and that you take an upper-level French course when you return from your study abroad. While abroad you must take a course of study in an appropriate indigenous African language.

*An Anglophone* focus requires that you must make every reasonable effort to

learn an indigenous African language: this means that you must study an indigenous language in a summer intensive language program before or after your study abroad. It is expected that you either begin or continue that language study while abroad.

An *Arabic-speaking* focus requires that you take at least two years of Arabic before studying abroad, and that you take an upper-level Arabic course when you return, if such a course is offered.

For South Asian Studies, you must study one of the major South Asian languages. These include Hindi, Urdu, Bengali, Tamil, and Telugu. You must study in a summer intensive language program before you leave for South Asia, and you must continue your language study while abroad. If you already know a South Asian language, then you must study a second South Asian language.

9. Where, and on what program, do you propose to go during your semester or year abroad?

10. Have you taken or will you take IS 101?

11. Do you plan to write a senior thesis or take an IS senior seminar (this is not a commitment; this information is only needed for advising purposes)? Information on the thesis requirements is available on the IS web site.

12. Have you spoken with the African Studies or South Asian Studies track director?