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**International and Area Studies**

International & Area Studies (IAS) is a teaching unit which is comprised of six undergraduate majors and three graduate degree programs. IAS provides an interdisciplinary approach to the study of international and global issues, as well as to area studies which examine specific regions of the world and investigate the historical and contemporary issues that have shaped these regions.

IAS trains students in the knowledge and skills that are fundamental components of global citizenship and practice. IAS has adopted an interdisciplinary approach to such training, with the belief that no single discipline can prepare students in the depth and breadth necessary for a complex and reflective understanding of world history and contemporary globalization. Accordingly, IAS offers interdisciplinary core courses in fields such as political economy, development studies, and peace & conflict studies, and then incorporates courses offered through many other departments. This offers students a rigorous, but flexible, curriculum, which recognizes that learning takes place both inside and outside of the classroom.

**Political Economy Program Description**

Political Economy (PE) examines the relationship between politics and economics in modern societies and focuses on problems of both domestic and international policy. Based on the assumption that political-economic relationships are affected by any number of factors, such as society, culture, geography, and demographics, the curriculum is both multi- and interdisciplinary in scope. The focus of the major is on contemporary issues, although a strong historical perspective is also emphasized. Students may also study planning and problem solving, environmental issues, resource distribution, and the challenges of institutional adaptation, and changing political systems.

The major is designed to provide a broad-based liberal arts background, as well as the intellectual skills appropriate for careers in either the public or private sector. Additionally, the major offers an excellent background for students planning postgraduate careers in social science disciplines and professional schools.

Some of the questions addressed in the major include:

- the tension between rising consumer demand and the need to minimize resource depletion and pollution;
- the different priorities served by capitalist, socialist, and traditionalist varieties of political economy;
- the different priorities served by democratic and authoritarian political systems;
- how international interdependence may undermine the efforts of national governments to cope with unemployment, inflation, trade and payment deficits, health, housing and welfare problems, and other societal issues;
- the importance of organizational structures for policy-making in both the public and private sector.

**When to Declare**

Applications are accepted during fall and spring semesters beginning the third week of instruction and through the last week of instruction (not the week of finals). Applications are accepted during summer session beginning in June until mid August.

Students who have completed the required prerequisite coursework may apply to PE in their freshmen or sophomore year. We recommend that students interested in declaring a major in Political Economy do so at least 2 semesters prior to the semester in which they intend to graduate. If students are ineligible to declare PE at that time (please see
the Eligibility to Declare section below), they should see an L&S advisor to discuss their options. Students may not declare and graduate in the same semester.

Eligibility to Declare

Students are eligible to declare when they:

1. Have completed IAS 45 with a grade of B- or better, or who have received a score of 5 on the AP World History exam. A Cal Central report showing AP scores is required.

   **Note:** IAS 45 may be taken only once to achieve a grade of B- or better. Students who repeat IAS 45 in order to achieve a grade of B- will not be eligible to declare the PE major. There is no transferrable equivalent for IAS 45 from California community colleges.

2. Have completed ECON 1, 2, or C3/ENVECON 1 with a grade of C or better (C- does not satisfy this requirement), or have completed the equivalent course at another college, or have received AP scores of 4 or better or IB score of 5 or better on BOTH of the micro-economics AND macro-economics exams. A print out from your CalCentral account showing AP or IB scores is required.

   **Note:** ECON 1, 2, C3 or ENVECON 1 may be repeated only once to achieve a grade of C or better.

3. Have a cumulative GPA of 2.7 or higher.

4. Have attended a Major Declaration Workshop (check the IAS Calendar in 101 Stephens Hall for dates).

5. Are not in their final semester of undergraduate work.

Additionally, students are encouraged – but not required – to complete two semesters of college-level foreign language or the equivalent before applying to the major.

Getting Declared

To get declared, students must meet with a PE advisor in person to submit the PE Application materials.

Bring a completed PE Application, including all materials and transcripts listed below, to the IAS Office at 101 Stephens Hall. The PE Application can be found on the PE webpage: [http://iastp.berkeley.edu/pe](http://iastp.berkeley.edu/pe). Students will not be officially declared until they have submitted all declaration papers.

A complete PE application consists of:

1. Application Form and Program Worksheet.

2. A current Cal Central transcript with student’s name printed on it (this is simply a printout of classes you have already taken, as seen in Cal Central on your “My Academics” page). Please highlight all courses that apply to the major. For double majors or minors, please indicate which classes will overlap with the other major (maximum 2) or the minor (maximum 1).

3. Official transcripts from other colleges attended. If a student intends to count coursework from other colleges toward the major requirements, official transcripts from those colleges must be submitted with the PE application. We
do not have access to transcripts in the UCB Admissions Office, and students are responsible for requesting their official transcripts from their other schools. **Only official unopened transcripts will be accepted.** Please highlight all courses to be applied to the major.

4. The “Petition to Declare a Major” signed by the student. If PE is a second major, the Double Major Application must be filled out and submitted when declaring PE. The Double Major forms must already be signed by the advisor of the first major. The “Petition to Declare a Major” form is available in the IAS Office and found on the L&S website at [http://ls-advice.berkeley.edu/fp/08Declare_Maj.pdf](http://ls-advice.berkeley.edu/fp/08Declare_Maj.pdf). The Double Major Application is available on the L&S website at [http://ls-advice.berkeley.edu/fp/Double_Maj_Packet.pdf](http://ls-advice.berkeley.edu/fp/Double_Maj_Packet.pdf).

5. The Personal Statement – a typed, double-spaced, one page essay describing the student’s interest in PE. The purpose of this essay is to give PE advisors a clear picture of the student’s academic interests. In the statement, students should describe their interest in the major, their career aspirations, any plans for a higher degree, future goals, and anything else relevant to studying Political Economy.

6. The PE Concentration Approval Form and corresponding Concentration Proposal (form available on the PE webpage: [http://iastp.berkeley.edu/pe](http://iastp.berkeley.edu/pe)). See page 7 for more information on the Concentration.

Bring the complete application to the IAS Office at 101 Stephens Hall and sign up to see a PE advisor.

**Note for international students on F or J visas:** International students declaring or changing their major must update this information on their I-20 or DS-2019 visa document. Upon approval of the major, students must contact the Berkeley International Office (BIO) for their updated visa document. BIO is located at International House at 2299 Piedmont Ave.

**Major Requirements**

**Lower-Division Requirements:** Three courses (All courses must be taken for a letter grade.)

- **Economics 1 or 2 or C3:** Introduction to Economics. This course must be completed with a grade of C or better prior to declaring the major. A grade of C- does not satisfy this requirement. **Note: This requirement may be repeated only once to achieve a grade of C or better.** An AP score of 4 or an IB score of 5 on BOTH of the micro-economics AND macro-economics exams will satisfy this requirement.

- **IAS 45:** Survey of World History: This course must be completed with a grade of B- or better prior to declaring the major. **Note: IAS 45 may be taken only once to achieve a grade of B- or better.** It is recommended that students sign up for IAS 45 in Phase I of TeleBears enrollment. An AP score of 5 on the World History exam will satisfy this requirement.

- **Statistics 2, C8, 20 or 21:** Intro to Statistics; Foundations of Data Science; Intro to Probability and Statistics; Intro to Probability and Statistics for Business. An AP score of 3 on the Statistics exam will satisfy the STAT 2 requirement.

**Foreign Language Requirement**

PE majors must demonstrate proficiency in a modern language other than English by the last semester of their senior
year. Proficiency is equivalent to the ability achieved in four college-level semesters (or two years). Language courses taken in high school do not satisfy this requirement. See below for details on how to fulfill the foreign language requirement.

Note: Languages accepted by the College of Letters and Science are not automatically accepted by the PE department. Please check with a PE advisor for eligible languages.

How to fulfill the foreign language requirement

There are a variety of ways to fulfill the four-semester language requirement for PE, depending on the individual and his or her background and ability.

Advanced Placement (AP) or International Baccalaureate (IB) Tests: An AP score of 5 or an International Baccalaureate (IB) score of 7 (higher level) will complete this requirement. An AP score of 4 will place a student into the fourth-semester college level course. A score of 3 will place a student into the third-semester college level course. Documentation of AP scores must be provided.

Coursework: Any combination of college courses, summer programs, or college-level study abroad programs may satisfy the language requirement. At a minimum, students must complete the fourth semester (i.e., the second semester of intermediate level) of language with a grade of C- or better in order to fulfill the requirement. The first, second, and third-level courses may be taken on a Pass/No Pass basis.

Language courses need not be taken at UCB. Courses taken at a community college or any accredited school or university may be acceptable. Transcripts must be submitted and evaluated by an IAS advisor. A one-semester upper division course taken abroad in the target language may satisfy the foreign language requirement, depending on the school and program followed.

High school completion in a non-English language and Proficiency Tests: Students with native, advanced background or those who were educated in a non-English language through the completion of high school or the equivalent may wish to satisfy this requirement with that experience. This requires a language proficiency exam.

Chinese, Japanese and Korean proficiency exams are administered by EALC on the Tuesday before instructions starts every semester. Check the EALC website at http://ealc.berkeley.edu/programs/undergraduate/proficiency-exams Results of the exam will indicate the level of the foreign language that students are eligible to register for. In order to waive the language requirement, test results must show that the student has completed the equivalent of four semesters of language studies (end of intermediate level) or higher.

Note that EALC waitlists all students that register for language courses regardless of when registration takes place, and the department scheduler adjusts student enrollment based on the results of the placement exam during the first week of instruction.

Students planning to take a proficiency exam in a non-Asian language in order to waive the language requirement should consult with an IAS advisor. *Proficiency tests may be taken once per semester.

Upper-division Requirements: Nine courses

Important to note:

- No more than 3 upper-division courses may be taken outside of the College of Letters and Science, including courses taken at other universities, and including EAP and Study Abroad.
- With the exception of Economics, no more than 3 upper-division courses may be taken from the same department. A total of 4 upper-division courses from the Economics Department may count, including intermediate micro and macro.
- All courses must be taken for a letter grade.
**Conceptual Tools:** (Four courses)

**Intermediate Microeconomics.** Choose one from the following:
- IAS 106 Intermediate Microeconomic Theory
- ECON 100A Economic Analysis (Micro)
- ECON 101A Economic Theory (Micro)
- UGBA 101A Microeconomic Analysis for Business Decisions
- ENVECON 100 Microeconomic Theory with Application to Natural Resources

**Intermediate Macroeconomics.** Choose one from the following:
- IAS 107 Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory
- ECON 100B Economic Analysis (Macro)
- ECON 101B Economic Theory (Macro)
- UGBA 101B Macroeconomic Analysis for Business Decisions

Students may choose from two different micro/macro series (e.g., IAS 106 Micro and ECON 100B Macro), as long as one micro and one macro course are taken.
IAS 106 and 107 do not require a calculus background and are not equivalent to economics courses offered by the Economics Department and the Business School. Anyone intending to take additional upper-division Economics or Business courses should enroll in the appropriate macro and micro economics series.

- **POLECON 100, Classical Theories of Political Economy** (*POLECON 100 must be taken before POLECON 101*)
- **POLECON 101, Contemporary Theories of Political Economy** (*Prerequisite: POLECON 100*)

**Historical Context:** (One course)

Choose a course from the list below. Students do not need to choose their Historical Context course based on their Concentration topic.

- CY PLAN 112 The Idea of Planning
- ECON 113 American Economic History
- ECON 115 The World Economy in the Twentieth Century
- HISTORY 124A The US from the Late 19th Century to the Eve of WW II
- HISTORY 124B United States from WWII to the Vietnam Era
- HISTORY 125B African-American History: 1865-present
- HISTORY 131B Creating Modern Am Society: End of Civil War to the Global Age
- HISTORY 158C Old and New Europe: 1914-present
- HISTORY 160 The International Economy of the 20th Century
- HISTORY 162B War and Peace: International Relations since 1914
- POLECON 160 Political Economy in Historical Context
- POL SCI 122A Politics of European Integration
- UGBA C172 Business in Its Historical Environment.
**The Concentration:** (Four courses)

*Important to note: Within the Concentration, only 2 courses may be taken from the same department.*

The PE Concentration is the theoretical focal point in the major. It is meant to give students the opportunity to deepen their understanding of political economy around an area of particular interest to them. The Concentration is perhaps the greatest benefit of the Political Economy major because it allows students to apply the theoretical and methodological knowledge they have gained to a topic about which they feel particularly drawn or curious. Students spend four courses focusing on this material, so it is important for students to be thoughtful and develop a topic about which they enjoy learning.

To get started on the Concentration, students should think about an existing or potential issue or question in political economy. Then they should choose four courses that will inform or increase their understanding about that issue. These courses should all relate to the topic as well as to one another. Students are encouraged to be imaginative in defining a Concentration. A Concentration issue is formulated by the student with the assistance of a PE advisor who can help to explain, clarify, or perhaps challenge that issue. Students having a difficult time formulating a Concentration should think about the classes they have taken which they enjoyed the most and consider what topics they learned about in those courses. Also, topics covered in IAS 45, POLECON 100, and POLECON 101 are a good place to start.

Some sample Concentration topics include, but most certainly are not limited to:

- Public Policy & Socioeconomic Inequality in the U.S.
- Political Economy of China
- Environmental Policy in Post-Industrial Societies
- Development and Resource Distribution

**Departments and Disciplines to consider when searching for concentration courses:**

IAS (which includes courses in ASIANST, DEVSTD, IAS, LATAMST, MESTU, PACS, and POLECON) has many course offerings which could fit a variety of concentrations, so students should start within IAS when searching for concentration courses.

In addition to courses offered by IAS, students might consider looking in the following departments or disciplines for classes relevant to their concentration topic:

- Political Science
- Economics
- Sociology
- Geography
- History
- Public Policy
- Environmental Economics and Policy
- Public Health
- Gender & Women’s Studies
- Legal Studies
- Environmental Science, Policy, and Management
- Demography
- City and Regional Planning

**Please note:** Courses from the departments and disciplines listed above are not guaranteed approval for a concentration, nor are students limited to the above list – this is just a good starting point.

**When choosing Concentration courses, students should be mindful of the following:**

- No more than 2 courses from the same department may count toward the Concentration.
- Only courses that are demonstrably relevant to the Concentration topic will be approved. Therefore, *it is not*
**not advisable for a student to take courses they hope to count for their concentration prior to getting declared.** There is no guarantee they will be accepted for the major.

- Up to 3 courses taken abroad may count, provided they conform to the Concentration topic. A syllabus in English must be provided. (See page 9 of this handbook for more information about using study abroad courses to fulfill major requirements.)
- All courses, including those taken abroad, must be upper-division, 3 units or more, and taken for a letter grade.

**Getting a Concentration Approved**

To have a Concentration approved, students must submit a two-paragraph description of the particular issue they would like to study. Students must also submit a list of their four proposed courses along with a brief explanation (1-2 sentences each) of how each course relates to their proposed Concentration. Please use the form provided (found on the PE webpage: [http://iastp.berkeley.edu/pe](http://iastp.berkeley.edu/pe)). Concentration proposals must be submitted in person to a PE advisor along with the complete PE application. Students may be asked to provide syllabi for certain courses.

Please note that if an advisor determines a Concentration proposal needs to be developed further, it will not be submitted for review by the IAS Faculty Committee until revisions have been made. For this reason, it is best not to delay speaking with a PE advisor about Concentration topic ideas. Concentration proposals are reviewed by the IAS Faculty Committee and students are notified by email if their Concentration has been accepted or is being returned for revisions.

**Please note:** Any subsequent changes to already approved Concentration topics and/or courses must be submitted to a PE advisor for review and approval by the IAS Faculty Committee prior to altering the Concentration.

**Major Rules:**

1. No more than 3 upper-division courses taken outside of the College of Letters and Science, including courses taken at other universities, EAP, Study Abroad and other colleges on the UC Berkeley campus, may count towards major requirements.

2. With the exception of Economics, no more than 3 upper-division courses may be taken from the same department. A total of 4 upper-division courses from the Economics Department may count, including intermediate micro and macro.

3. Within the Concentration, only 2 courses may be taken from the same department.

4. A cross-listed course will not always count in the department through which a student is enrolled. It will count in what is known to be the originating department of the course. Students who intend to enroll in a cross-listed course and to apply the course toward an upper-division major requirement should see a PE advisor prior to enrolling.

5. Courses cannot be double-counted within the major (for example, students may not use 1 course to fulfill both a Concentration course requirement and the Historical Context course requirement).

6. All courses in the major must be taken for a letter grade. The one exception is foreign language: only the fourth-semester level class must be taken for a letter grade. The first, second, and third semester language classes may be taken Pass/Not Pass.
The PE Honors Program

To graduate with honors requires the completion of a written honors thesis – a research paper generally 75 pages or longer – as well as the completion of a year-long honors course sequence: IAS H102 (fall only) and POLECON H195 (spring only).

**IAS H102** provides an introduction to research methodology. To qualify for IAS H102, students must have senior status, must have completed POLECON 100 before enrolling, and must have a grade point average of 3.6 in the major and 3.5 in all work completed at UC Berkeley. Admission to this course is by Class Entry Code following instructor approval.

**POLECON H195** is a thesis-writing seminar where students meet weekly to discuss their theses. To qualify for PE H195, students must be recommended by the IAS H102 instructor, they must have a viable prospectus for their research paper (determined in conjunction with the instructor), and they must meet the minimum honors GPA requirements. Admission to this course is by Class Entry Code.

**Faculty Thesis Advisor**

Honors students must also enlist a Faculty Thesis Advisor with whom they will meet throughout the year to discuss the content of their thesis. Potential honors students are strongly encouraged to start early to find a Faculty Thesis Advisor, preferably during the spring semester of their junior year, but no later than the end of September of their senior year. Most faculty will only advise on a thesis topic that is within their subject area and many prefer to work with students they know or have taught. The completed thesis is read and evaluated by both the seminar instructor and the Faculty Thesis Advisor.

Three copies of the honors thesis must be provided by the student: one for the seminar instructor, one for the student’s Faculty Thesis Advisor, and one for reference at the IAS Office. Sample honors thesis titles include:

- Building a Nation One Home at a Time: A Case Study of Gawad Kalinga’s Nation-building Project in Mindanao
- Systemic Risk in the 2007-2009 Financial Crisis
- Recession and Survival: Bay Area Day Laborers in the Aftermath of the Housing and Financial Crises
- Unveiling Integration Paradigms: The Motivations and Outcomes of the 2004 French Ban on Religious Symbols in Schools

Please note: There is no guarantee that students who complete the honors sequence will graduate with honors. Honors recommendations are made after graduation and are based on a number of factors including (but not limited to) major GPA, overall GPA, grade received in H195, and thesis reader recommendations.

**Additional Information**

**Advisor Holds/Blocks (service indicators)**

Advisor holds/blocks (service indicators) are visible on your Cal Central dashboard. If you are declared or intending to declare an IAS major and you have a hold or a block on your account, you will need to consult with an IAS advisor (101 Stephens Hall). A hold/block may be placed on your account for a number of reasons that include remaining undeclared when you have reached senior status (90 units or more), an unapproved concentration,
and/or academic underperformance. Holds or blocks placed by the College of Letters & Science require consultation with an IAS advisor and a College advisor (206 Evans Hall).

**Study Abroad**

Students may fulfill up to 3 upper-division requirements with courses taken abroad. Any courses taken to fulfill the language requirement may also be counted toward the major and are not included in the 3-course limit. Students considering study abroad should carefully read the IAS “Study Abroad Information and Course Approval Form,” which is available at the IAS Office and on the website at [http://iastp.berkeley.edu/](http://iastp.berkeley.edu/) under ‘Student Resources.’ They must also meet with a PE advisor prior to their departure to review prospective courses of study and again upon their return to have their coursework reviewed and approved. Information about overseas study is available at the Berkeley Programs for Study Abroad office in 160 Stephens Hall, 510-642-1356, eapucb@berkeley.edu.

**Please note:** Study abroad courses will not be pre-approved by IAS to count toward the major requirements.

**Transfer Courses**

No more than 3 upper-division requirements may be fulfilled by courses taken at other four-year colleges or universities, including EAP and Study Abroad. They must be validated by the Office of Admissions and Records, and they must be submitted to a PE advisor for review and approval by the IAS Faculty Committee to be used in the major. Courses taken to fulfill lower-division requirements or the foreign language requirement are not included in the 3-course limit.

**Senior Thesis (POLECON 192, 3 units)**

The Senior Thesis is open to declared majors only. Students who are interested in writing a major paper (minimum 30 pages, usually 30-50 pages) on a topic related to Political Economy, but who are not interested in pursuing the PE Honors Program, may choose to write a Senior Thesis. Any student writing a Senior Thesis must do so with the support of a faculty sponsor (please see additional information about faculty sponsors below). To be eligible to write a Senior Thesis in the Political Economy major, students must have completed 60 or more units and must meet a minimum GPA of 2.0. For more information, students should see a PE advisor. Students are able to enroll in the course only after speaking with a PE advisor.

**Faculty sponsor:** Students writing a Senior Thesis must enlist a faculty sponsor with whom they will meet throughout the semester to discuss the content of their thesis. Students who may consider writing a Senior Thesis are strongly encouraged to start early to find a faculty sponsor, preferably by the end of their junior year, but no later than the first semester of their senior year. Most faculty will only advise on a thesis topic that is within their subject area, and many prefer to work with students they know or have taught. The completed thesis is read, evaluated, and graded by the faculty sponsor.

**Internships**

Students may earn 1-4 units of POLECON 197 credit for participation in unpaid internships. Only internships at not-for-profit institutions or government offices will be accepted. Internships must have a faculty sponsor and require the submission of a mid-term report and a final paper. Internships are graded on a mandatory pass/not pass basis and cannot be used to fulfill major requirements. Internship forms are available in the IAS Office at 101 Stephens Hall.

**Double Majors**

All double majors must be approved by the College of Letters and Science. The completed Double Major Application Packet should be reviewed and signed by a PE advisor. No more than 2 upper-division courses may be used to satisfy requirements in both majors.
Minors

PE majors are encouraged to enhance their undergraduate degree by completing minors in other disciplines. No more than 1 upper-division course may be used to satisfy requirements in both a major and minor.

Students interested in a PE minor should see below for information on “The Minor in Political Economy.”

Probation and Dismissal

Declared students may be put on probation if they do not maintain a minimum 2.0 major GPA. The major GPA includes all upper-division courses taken for the major at UC Berkeley. This includes classes taken through UCDC and the IAS courses offered during summer abroad programs. This does not include any classes taken to fulfill the foreign language requirement or taken through EAP.

While on probation, students must meet with a PE advisor at least once to discuss options and develop an academic plan that will help them to meet academic performance requirements.

Should a student fail to bring their major GPA above 2.0 the term following being placed on probation, they may be dismissed from the major by the Chair. This will not be reflected as a dismissal on the transcript; it is noted only as a memorandum of change in declared status. Students may request reinstatement to the major from the Chair once their major GPA is 2.0 or higher.

Undeclared students who have a GPA of less than 2.0 in courses taken for the major before declaring may still apply to the major. However, they will be admitted to the major on a probationary status. These students must raise their major GPA to 2.0 or higher by the end of the semester in which they were admitted to the major.

The Minor in Political Economy

PE offers a Minor, which is open to all undergraduates except PE majors. Please note that we no longer offer the European Studies Minor. Applications for the minor and a suggested list of concentration courses are available from the IAS Advisors. To apply for the minor, students must have completed one course in the minor with a grade of B or better, and must have an overall GPA of 2.0. The completed PE minor application and a “Completion of L&S Minor” form must be submitted to the IAS Office at 101 Stephens Hall no later than the last day of instruction of the semester immediately preceding the student’s final semester. The “Completion of L&S Minor” form can be found on the L&S website at [http://ls-advise.berkeley.edu/ls/00minor.pdf](http://ls-advise.berkeley.edu/ls/00minor.pdf).

To complete the minor, students must take 5 upper-division courses; both POLECON 100 and 101 are required. The remaining 3 courses must be focused around a concentration in one of these three areas: (1) Globalization; (2) Poverty, Inequality and Policy; or (3) Science, Technology, and Economic Development. Students pursuing the minor also can suggest a topic of their own, which must be preapproved by the Faculty Committee, similar to the process used for major concentrations.

Meet with a PE advisor to discuss classes acceptable for the PE minor.

Please note: The following College requirements apply to the PE minor program:

1. At least 3 of the upper-division courses must be taken at Berkeley.
2. All courses satisfying minor requirements must be taken for a letter grade.
3. Students must maintain a minimum GPA of 2.0 in all coursework used to satisfy the minor requirements.
4. No more than 1 course may overlap with the student’s major program.
The Faculty

Maximilian Auffhammer
International and Area Studies
Interests: Economics of climate change, pollution in developing countries, econometrics

Stephanie Ballenger
International and Area Studies
Interests: Latin American politics, economy, and culture, colonialism and imperialism, economic development and the role of religion and medicine

David Beecher
International and Area Studies
Interests: cultural, social, political, and intellectual history; political economy; world history; comparative literature; Empires, nations, colonies, intelligentsias; the Soviet Union, Europe, Eurasia, the Baltic

Richard M. Buxbaum (Emeritus)
School of Law
Interests: Comparative and international economic law

Stephen Cohen
City and Regional Planning
Interests: Contemporary, historical, and conceptual theory of city planning

Beverly Crawford
International and Area Studies
Interests: Transformation of Europe, security and trade

J. Bradford DeLong
Economics
Interests: Finance, macroeconomics, economic history, social theory

Barry Eichengreen
Economics
Interests: Exchange rates and capital flows, currently and historically; The gold standard and the Great Depression; The European economy, currently and historically; European integration, the euro, and the Stability and Growth Pact; Asian integration and development with a focus on exchange rates and financial markets; The impact of China on the international economic and financial system; IMF policy, past, present and future

Marion Fourcade
Sociology
Interests: Economic sociology, culture, political sociology, comparative methods, knowledge and science

Khalid Kadir
International and Area Studies
Interests: Water and sanitation in developing countries, international development and poverty alleviation, political economy of international development

Robert Kagan  
Political Science  
Interests: Courts and litigation, regulatory policy and enforcement, the legal profession

Alan Karras  
International and Area Studies  
Interests: World, Caribbean, and Atlantic history, race relations, state formation, migration, contraband trade

Lanchih Po  
International & Area Studies  
Interests: China’s transitional economies, formation of China’s city-regions, socio-economic transformations associated with China’s (sub)urbanization process

Gerard Roland  
Economics  
Interests: Institutions and development, culture and economics, political institutions and economic outcomes, reforms in China and North Korea, European Parliament and European institutions

Clare Talwalker  
International & Area Studies  
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Political Science  
Interests: Japan, comparative politics, comparative and international political economy

John Zysman  
Political Science  
Interests: Comparative politics of Western Europe with special emphasis on France, international trade, problems of advanced industrialized countries
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