

Bachelor of Science in International Trade Student Agreement

The B.S. in International Trade is a multidisciplinary degree that offers the core competencies from business, world language and international studies. This degree is designed to provide an interdisciplinary business background for careers outside the United States or in international companies and agencies within the United States.

The degree requires completion of a prescribed course of study and an internship overseas whose purpose is to immerse the student in the professional practice within the culture and in the language that has been studied for the required foreign language concentration.

There are some other issues of which BSIT students should be aware:

1. Students must have five 3-hour language classes for the degree. These must be at the advanced level. Therefore, if a student has no language, he/she must complete the 1001/1002 as well as the 2001/2002 courses PLUS five other language courses at the 3000 and 4000 levels.
2. At the end of the junior year, the student should start pursuing internship possibilities. Although the Center for International Studies may help you, it is your responsibility to secure the internship. Most of the internships are unpaid.
3. Your internship must be performed in a country that speaks the language that you have been studying. It is normally done in the last college semester. You will need to register and pay for 9 credit hours of internship.
4. There will be room and board costs involved during the length of your internship. In addition, there are some companies that charge placement fees for the internship and you will also have to pay for that.
5. There are specific guidelines for the Internship Report. At the end of the semester, a grade of IP (Incomplete- in Progress) is usually given until the Internship Report is completed.
6. The internship Report is due within one month of the completion of the internship. If it is not submitted by then, the course grade will be impacted. I require at least two weeks to grade the report. Once the grade is submitted, you are considered to have completed your studies. However, you may not receive your diploma until the end of the following semester.
7. The Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs awards the BSIT degree at graduation.

In order to obtain the BSIT degree, the student has several responsibilities regarding advisement:

1. The student should come to the Center for International Studies prior to the advisement period and sign up to be advised.
2. Please do not be a "no-show." Come on time for your appointment.
3. Prior to the advisement appointment, the student should consult the Course Schedule regarding classes that he/she might take and be prepared to ask for those during the advisement appointment.

I certify that I have read the above instructions and I agree to meet the requirements.

Student Signature

Date