

IB CO-MAJOR

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

The International Business co-major is completed in conjunction with your primary major.

Who Can Apply?

Any student with a strong interest in International Business and intention to pursue one of the eight BBA majors can apply. "Terry Direct" for Honors students does not apply for the IB co-major. The AB ECON major cannot pair with the IB co-major.

All Relevant BBA Applicant Requirements:

Interested students must complete all regular BBA eligibility requirements, including current enrollment at UGA, minimum 2.0 GPA, good academic standing, pre-Terry courses, testing, credit hour minimums, and core curriculum requirements.

Foreign Language Requirement:

To apply for the IB co-major, the applicant must either be enrolled in or have completed the third (or higher) level of the same modern language, e.g., SPAN 2001 (has completed or exempted SPAN 1001 and SPAN 1002). A minimum grade of B is required in each language course. Upon acceptance, a student will need to continue study in this language to the 3000-level as a graduation requirement. Not all languages taught at UGA regularly have 3000-level course options. Eligible languages with conversation-level coursework offered at the University of Georgia include, but are not limited to the following:

- Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish, Vietnamese, and Yoruba.
- Some language minors offer courses in translation and not in the target language – it is the student's responsibility to ensure that they are taking courses offered in the chosen language of study and not in English.
- Ancient languages (such as Latin) will not suffice for eligibility.
- Note: Students natively fluent in a language other than English may bypass the eligibility requirement by indicating their native proficiency in their statement of purpose. The waiver for the full graduation requirement will take place upon successful admission to the co-major. Waiver of this requirement does not waive any required credit hours toward graduation.

Statement of Purpose Tips:

- When applying to the International Business (IB) co-major, only the first-choice Statement of Purpose should describe the applicant's interests/goals in IB and the level of foreign language satisfied.
- Demonstrate sustained, intentional interest in international business (not just travel and interest in language).
- If applicable, describe any previous international experience or current involvement with globally oriented work or student organizations, such as the International Business Society.
- Detail! The more specific you can be about your interest and plans, the more your application will stand out.

Plan for the International Immersion requirement:

Planning ahead for the international immersion requirement is key to successful completion of the co-major. Students may choose from (a) a UGA-approved, 3-hour study abroad program, (b) an approved internship with an international component in a company doing global business, or (c) two additional language-related courses in the student's selected language. Students are strongly encouraged to study or intern abroad. Internships cannot be approved retroactively. Internships must be approved by the IB programs office for immersion credit.

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Terry Admissions Criteria



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