

INFORMATION STUDIES MINOR: GENERAL EMPHASIS

Program Description

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Information Studies examines the dynamic relationships between information, technology, and people. This minor examines the creation and use of information and digital technologies and prepares students to thrive academically, professionally, and spiritually in our information-rich and digitally networked world.

Entering and Completing the Minor

In order to earn a degree, you must complete at least one academic major. Minors are not required except for students in the Professional Studies (BA). SPU encourages students to explore various academic paths, including minors, so if you change your mind about a minor or want to include an additional minor, you are able to do so as outlined below.

Note that the University encourages you to enter your chosen minor(s) as soon as you have determined it and are eligible to join it, especially by the start of your junior year. Students who transfer as juniors and seniors should enter a minor within their first two quarters at SPU.

- If this is your first quarter at SPU, request entrance to your minor in Banner by following these instructions (<https://spu.atlassian.net/l/cp/Th4S0jCE/>).
- If you are an SPU student with an SPU cumulative GPA of 2.0 or better, follow these instructions (<https://spu.atlassian.net/l/cp/Th4S0jCE/>) to enter a minor in this department.
- The University requires a grade of C- or better in all classes that apply to a minor; however, programs may require higher minimum grades in specific courses. You may repeat an SPU course only once for a higher grade.
- To advance in this program, meet with your faculty advisor regularly to discuss your grades, course progression, and other indicators of satisfactory academic progress. If your grades or other factors indicate that you may not be able to successfully complete the minor, your faculty advisor can work with you to explore options, which may include choosing a different minor.
- You must complete the minor requirements that are in effect in the SPU Undergraduate Catalog for the year you enter the minor.

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30 Credits Minimum, Including 15 Upper Division (UD)

Code	Title	Credits
Core Courses		
INF 2000	Information and Attention	5
INF 3100	Digital Literacy and Life	3
INF 3500	Information and Society	5
INF 4940	Internship	2
or INF 4970	Independent Research	

Section Credits Required	15
Electives	
Select 15 credits of the following, including at least 5 UD:	15
ART 2603	Monuments of World Art II
ART 3606	Cross-Cultural Encounters
ART 3608	Issues in Contemporary Art and Visual Culture
ART 3611	Reading Images: An Introduction to Visual Studies
CSC 1010	Science and Technology
CSC 1130	Beginning Programming
CSC 1230	Problem Solving and Programming
CSC 3011	Living in a Digital World
ENG 2248	International Fiction
ENG 3334	United States Multi-Ethnic Literature
HIS 1490	Life and Death in World Cities
HIS 2870	Introduction to Museum Studies and Public History
HIS 3871	Archives: History, Theory and Practice
HIS 3872	Museum Education
INF 1000	Digital Competency
INF 4950	Topics in Information Studies
JRN 1000	Fundamentals of Digital and Online Media
JRN 1001	Content Management for Communicators
JRN 2255	The Public and the Media
JRN 2335	Media Representation
JRN 3203	Data Journalism
JRN 4121	Multimedia Journalism
PHI 1001	Logic and Critical Thinking
PHI 1002	Ethics and the Good Life
PHI 2500	Science, Technology and Society
PHI 3999	Minds and Machines
PHI 4653	Contemporary Epistemology
POL 1120	United States Government and Politics
POL 2330	International Relations
POL 4336	Cybersecurity
POL 4640	Political Theory: From Antiquity to the 21st Century
SJC 1000	Introduction to Justice, Equity, and Cultural Studies
SJC 3382	South Africa: Stages of Protest and Democracy
SJC 3383	Arab Spring: Gender, Islam, Democracy
THEO 2725	Christian Spirituality and Discipleship
THEO 3500	Christ and Culture
THEO 3501	Christian Ethics
THEO 3715	Youth Cultures and Christian Faith
THEO 3722	Christian Disciplines
THEO 3730	Foundations of Youth Ministry
Section Credits Required	15
Total Credits	30