The Division of International, Comparative and Area Studies (ICA) supports research and teaching in the cultures and societies of the world, and studies the problems facing developing societies as they seek to end their poverty and social and economic inequalities. ICA promotes new centers of teaching excellence in traditional areas of historical and cultural concerns, as well as promoting interdisciplinary activities related to developing new ideas for dealing with fundamental issues of justice, equality, and growth within nation states, cultures, and regions.

The Division of International, Comparative and Area Studies is comprised of research centers, degree granting programs, and religion and cultural centers: Center for African Studies*; Center for East Asian Studies*; The Europe Center; Center for Latin American Studies*; Center for Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies*; Center for South Asia; Ford Dorsey Program in International Policy Studies*; France-Stanford Center for Interdisciplinary Studies; Hamid and Christina Moghadam Program in Iranian Studies; Mediterranean Studies Forum; Program in International Relations*; Sohaib and Sara Abbasi Program in Islamic Studies; and the Taube Center for Jewish Studies*.

Degree granting programs are denoted with an asterisk (*).

Center for African Studies

Director: Jeremy Weinstein
Office: Encina Hall West, second floor
Web Site: http://africanstudies.stanford.edu

The Center for African Studies (CAS) is an interdisciplinary research program. CAS offers an undergraduate minor and certificate, and a Master of Arts (M.A.) degree. For further information, see the "African Studies (http://exploredegrees.stanford.edu/archive/2012-13/schoolofhumanitiesandsciences/africanstudies) " section of this bulletin.

Center for East Asian Studies

Director: Gordon Chang
Office: Encina Commons
Web Site: http://ceas.stanford.edu

The Center for East Asian Studies (CEAS) seeks to increase interdisciplinary communication among faculty, students, and outside scholars whose research, teaching, or study focuses on East Asia. CEAS offers a master’s degree program. It sponsors programs that enhance public knowledge and access to the University’s East Asia resources. For further information, see the "East Asian Studies (http://www.stanford.edu/dept/registrar/bulletin/5815.htm) " section of this bulletin.

Center for South Asia

Director: Thomas Blom Hansen
Office: Encina Hall West, first floor
Web Site: http://southasia.stanford.edu

The Center for South Asia (CSA) serves to coordinate and develop Stanford’s resources for the study of South Asia across all the disciplines in the School of Humanities and Sciences. It works closely with departments and other units of the University to increase faculty strength, support research, enhance the curriculum, build the library collection, and sponsor programs and events.

Ford Dorsey Program In International Policy Studies

Director: Kathryn Stoner
Office: Encina Hall West, second floor
Web Site: http://ips.stanford.edu

The Ford Dorsey Program in International Policy Studies (IPS) is a two-year master’s program that seeks to train the next generation of policy analysts to solve key global problems. For further information, see the "International Policy Studies" (http://www.stanford.edu/dept/registrar/bulletin/5949.htm) section of this bulletin.
France-Stanford Center For Interdisciplinary Studies

Director: Amalia Kessler
Office: Building 260, room 105
Web Site: http://francestanford.stanford.edu

The France-Stanford Center for Interdisciplinary Studies, founded in partnership with the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs, aims to bridge the disciplines of the humanities, social sciences, sciences, engineering, business, and law, addressing historical and contemporary issues of significance for France and the United States. The Center brings together Stanford faculty and students and academics in France to advance collaborative research and foster interdisciplinary inquiry. Its programs include conferences, support for collaborative research projects, internships, exchanges, lectures, and seminars.

Hamid and Christina Moghadam Program In Iranian Studies

Director: Abbas Milani
Office: Encina Hall West, second floor
Web Site: http://iranian-studies.stanford.edu

The Hamid and Christina Moghadam Program in Iranian Studies at Stanford fosters the interdisciplinary study of Iran as a civilization, one of the oldest in the world. The program combines pedagogy, policy analysis, and research on all aspects of Iran’s past, present, and future. The program organizes lectures and student research conferences on Iran.

Mediterranean Studies Forum

Director: Shahzad Bashir
Office: Encina Hall West, Room 211
Web Site: http://mediterraneanstudies.stanford.edu

The Mediterranean Studies Forum encourages scholars to explore the interplay among societies, cultures, and communities around the Mediterranean Basin from the Middle Ages to the present. Its focus is on all aspects of co-existence and conflict that have marked these encounters in the empires, port cities, nation states, and transregional and transnational social, religious, cultural, and economic contexts of North Africa, the Levant, the Balkans, and Southern Europe. It is also interested in the relations of the Mediterranean with other regions and areas of the world. The central goal of the forum is to contribute to interdisciplinary dialogue among scholars of these areas through lectures, colloquia, workshops, conferences, and publications.

Program in International Relations

Director: Mike Tomz
Office: Encina Hall West, second floor
Web Site: http://internationalrelations.stanford.edu

International Relations (IR) is an interdisciplinary undergraduate major focusing on changing political, economic, and cultural relations within the international system in the modern era.

Sohaib and Sara Abbasi Program in Islamic Studies

Director: Shahzad Bashir
Office: Encina Hall West, Room 211
Web Site: http://islamicstudies.stanford.edu

The mission of the Sohaib and Sara Abbasi Program in Islamic Studies is to serve as a forum for interdisciplinary research and teaching in Islamic studies, complemented by seminars, colloquia and public lectures. The program seeks to illuminate Islamic history from its beginnings to the 21st century, the religion of Islam in its many aspects, and the diversity of Muslim cultures and societies, past and present, not only in the Middle East but also including South and Southeast Asia, Africa, Europe, and America. In addition to geographical breadth, the program promotes the use of scholarly resources from both the humanities and the social sciences. Participating faculty and students bring perspectives and methods from academic fields including anthropology, art, economics, history, international relations, languages, law, literature, philosophy, political science, and religious studies.

Taube Center For Jewish Studies

Director: Steven Weitzman
Office: Building 360, Room 362G
Web Site: http://jewishstudies.stanford.edu

The interdisciplinary Taube Center for Jewish Studies coordinates and promotes the study of all aspects of Jewish life. The center offers an undergraduate minor and an interdisciplinary major coordinated by the Humanities and Sciences dean’s office.

For further information, see the "Jewish Studies (http://exploredegrees.stanford.edu/archive/2012-13/schoolofhumanitiesandsciences/jewishstudies) " section of this bulletin.

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