Thank you for your interest in the International Studies major at Boston College. The following application will help us to select a diverse group of students who can flourish in this rigorous interdisciplinary program. This PDF lists the application questions to help you prepare offline before you enter everything into the official online application.

Applications must be submitted using the online form by 5:00pm EST on February 1, 2022. Applications received after that deadline may be penalized. Decisions will be announced by the end of February, allowing students to affirm the offer to become a major well before Fall 2022 registration begins in April.

Questions? Contact Ms. Patricia Joyce, Associate Director of Interdisciplinary Programs (patricia.joyce@bc.edu) or Prof. Hiroshi Nakazato, Associate Director of the International Studies Program (nakazato@bc.edu)

Section 1: Personal Information

- Name/ EagleID number/ Email address / Home town

Section 2: IS Program interests

- Preferred major concentration
  Choose one of these four: Conflict and Cooperation; Global Cultures; Ethics and Social Justice; or Political Economy and Development Studies.

- List your primary thematic and/or geographic interests
  Themes might include development, environment, migration, security, peace, public health, gender, etc.; regions might include Latin America, East Asia, Central Europe, etc.

- What languages do you speak/study/intend to study?

Section 3: Personal statements

- What is one global issue you see as in need of better understanding or urgent action? (max. 500 words)

- Is there anything else you’d like to tell us about yourself or your interest in the IS major? (max 200 words)

Section 4: Academic record

- Authorize us to review your BC transcript.

- Name one BC faculty member who knows you and could serve as a reference if requested. (No need to ask them in advance; we will only contact them if we have additional questions about your academic record.)