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# Globetrotter



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## MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

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Welcome to the *Globetrotter*, the newsletter of Siena's Globalization Studies Program.

The focus of this issue is on activities for the spring semester. We have a new team teaching GLST-100, Introduction to Globalization Studies. Learn some new things about Fr. Linh Hoang [RELG] and Professor Arindam Mandal [ECON] and check out the Globalization Studies website [siena.edu/globalization](http://siena.edu/globalization) for more spring offerings.

This year, Siena will host the 8th Siena-Concordia Conference on Globalization, with the theme "The Future We Want: Social Justice and Environmental Sustainability." I hope that you can join us for the diverse student presentations and to collaborate with students from our neighbors to the north on March 22.

Finally, we are sponsoring two programs of interest later this semester. On November 15, Joshua Rubenstein, long associated with Amnesty International, "Prisoners of Conscience: What We Have Learned in 50 Years" and on November 19, Trita Parsi, 2010 recipient of the Grawemeyer Award for Ideas Improving World Order, "The U.S. and Iran: Between War and Diplomacy."

I hope you to see you at our events or in class.

Jean M. Stern, Ph.D.  
Director, Globalization Studies Program



## TEAM-TEACHING IN INTRO TO GLOBALIZATION STUDIES

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Fr. Linh Hoang, O.F.M., Ph.D., assistant professor of religious studies, and Arindam Mandal, Ph.D., assistant professor of economics, have been selected to co-teach Introduction to Globalization Studies (GLST-100) in spring 2013. This interdisciplinary course, offered once a week for three hours, has been taught since the spring of 2005 as a way of bringing the Schools of Liberal Arts and Business together to provide a globalization perspective. It is one of two requirements in the 18-credit minor.

Fr. Linh and Mandal will supplement the textbooks of the course by engaging the students in group discussion, utilizing video and inviting guest speakers to class.

“We’re not going to keep this in a bubble. We’re going to keep making



Arindam Mandal, Ph.D., left, and Fr. Linh Hoang, O.F.M., Ph.D., will co-teach Introduction to Globalization Studies in spring 2013.

## TEAM-TEACHING IN INTRO TO GLOBALIZATION STUDIES (continued)

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connections on how it affects their lives and the decisions that are being made,” Fr. Linh said.

Fr. Linh has taught Introduction to Globalization Studies in the past and says, “The students who choose to go into the globalization minor are very interested and they’ve had a lot of different cultural experiences.”

Each professor will draw on his own expertise. Fr. Linh will discuss globalization and its effect on religion and Mandal will talk about the economic side of globalization.

“Whatever they’re doing will affect somebody else in this world,” Mandal said. “Perhaps the clothes that they’re putting on have come from four different countries. (This course) will allow them to link their experiences.”

A major component of this course is the Concordia Conference, an annual conference collaborated with Concordia University in Montreal. This year’s conference will be held at Siena College, so students will work with Concordia students throughout the semester, plan the two-day international conference, host their partnering students from up north and then have an opportunity to present research projects. This year’s topic is globalization effects on the environment and social justice.

Fr. Linh expects students to grow from this class.

“I hope they’re more aware of the world beyond Siena College and beyond their own world. And not only to be aware, but to be engaged,” Fr. Linh said.

His colleague sees another value. “Having a background in globalization studies makes you more employable in the real world because it shows that you’ve been exposed to different ideas,” Mandal said.

### GLST 100

- Class is held once a week for three hours
- Interdisciplinary class
- Opportunity to participate in international conference





## SPAN 305 Spanish Study Travel Course

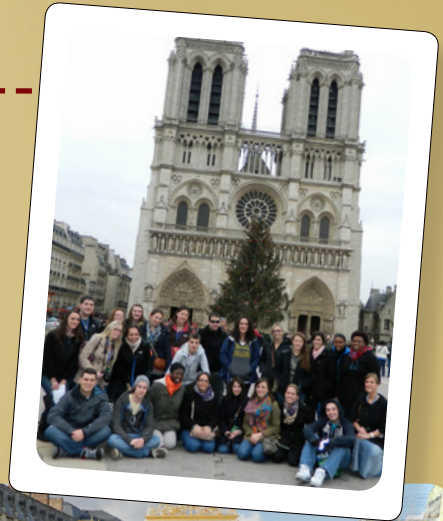
Carolyn Malloy-Madrid, Ph.D.

- March 23 – 30
- Mexico City and Cancun, Mexico
- This course satisfies Globalization minor, Franciscan Diversity Core, HIST110; Certificate in Latin American and Caribbean Studies; International Studies Certificate in Foreign Languages and Business
- Two sections (one in English and one in Spanish)
- \$2,400

## TRAVEL STUDY COURSES

BUDV 420 Global Connections  
Deborah Kelly, J.D.

- May 22 – June 4
- Amsterdam, Bruges and Paris
- 2-credit course will meet on 8 Thursday evenings (5:45 – 7:10pm) during the Spring semester. Students interested in earning an additional 1 credit may also enroll in a 1-credit “International Business” elective open to all students (MGMT290) which will be meeting on 9 Tuesday evenings (5:45 – 7:10pm).
- \$4,300



## TRAVEL STUDY COURSES (continued)

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### WSTU-300 Gender Equality in the Nordic Countries

Shannon O'Neill, Ph.D.

- Iceland, Sweden and Denmark
- May 20 – 30
- This course satisfies Globalization and Women's Studies minors
- One section
- \$2,900





## SOCI-180 Sociology of Southeast Asia

Sudarat Musikawong, Ph.D.

- Thailand
- March 22–31
- This course satisfies SOCI 180 (ATTR: ARTS, ISP, LSRG, MULT)
- One section
- \$3,500



## SOCI-385 Rural Sustainability

Mathew Johnson '93, Ph.D.

- Bolivia
- May 20–31
- This course satisfies ENVA 305, SOCI 385, GLST 325 or MULT 300
- Class meets Thursdays 4:10–5:35 p.m.
- No Spanish-speaking skills required
- \$2,000–2,500

## CSIS-200 Mobile Technology in Africa

Mary Anne Egan '86, Ph.D.

- Namibia and South Africa
- May 20–June 3
- This course satisfies Franciscan Concern Social Justice core, GLST 325 and MULT 300
- \$4,500–\$5,500



# GLOBALIZATION STUDIES COURSES – SPRING 2013

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GLST-100	Introduction to Globalization Studies	Hoang and Mandal
GLST-490	International Experience Seminar	Stern

## GLST-300 Cross-lists

CREA-297	Peacebuilding Through Arts	Karimi-Hakak
ENVA 305	Sustainable Tourism	Mangun
HIST-402	Canada and the U.S.	Parham
PHIL-333	Reframing Peace and War	Walker
POSC-345	Chinese and East Asian Politics	Stern
POSC-359	Leaders in World Politics	Park
WRIT-230	History of the English Language	Clements

## GLST-325 Cross-lists

CSIS-200	Mobile Technology in Africa	Egan
SOCI-180	Sociology of Southeast Asia	Musikawong
SOCI-385	Rural Sustainability	Johnson
WSTU-300	Gender Equality in the Nordic Countries	O'Neill

For a complete list of electives, visit [www.siena.edu/pages/6369.asp](http://www.siena.edu/pages/6369.asp)





# GLOBALIZATION STUDIES MINOR

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The Globalization Studies minor complements all majors and prepares students to “address the challenges of an ever-changing world and a diverse society.” Students will examine how their decisions and those of other U.S. citizens affect and are being affected by decisions beyond our borders. They will also see that most careers, whether in business, social policy/action, and the humanities are pursued within a global context.

This minor is premised on the definition of globalization as the “growth of relations among people across national borders that creates a complex series of connections that tie together what people do, what they experience and how they live across the globe.” It also incorporates Siena College’s Franciscan heritage by recognizing that St. Francis and his followers developed networks beyond Italy’s borders and that our contemporary connections must be evaluated in terms of both how they affect human society and all of Creation and how they involve our responsibility to others.

Hence, this minor attempts to enable students to discover their connections and responsibilities to the rest of the world through considering these basic questions in all its designated courses:

1. What are the positive and negative ways in which the people of the world are connected in the 21st century?
2. How do I and the people in my community, region and country have global connections with people in other lands?
3. How do individuals, organizations and governments attempt to manage these connections? What are the positive and negative implications for the various management methods and rules? Who benefits and who loses from these decisions? How do these decisions affect the marginalized and the poor?



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