



University of California, Santa Barbara
Program Learning Outcomes

PhD in Global Studies

Upon graduation with a PhD in Global Studies:

Core Knowledge (PLO 1):

Graduate students acquire the core knowledge associated with the interdisciplinary study of global issues. Graduate students demonstrate reading proficiency in a language other than English.

Research Methods and Analysis (PLO 2):

Graduate students will demonstrate skills in research methods drawn from the social sciences and the humanities in ways consistent with, and applicable to, the focus of the graduate program in Global Studies. Graduate students identify issues of ethics and cultural sensitivity associated with research.

Pedagogy (PLO 3):

Graduate students will develop pedagogical strategies and skills to become effective teachers of Global Studies.

Scholarly Communication (PLO 4):

Students will demonstrate the ability to clearly communicate scholarly analyses and arguments - appropriate to one or more subfields within Global Studies, through the preparation of a coherent and logical dissertation that relates to existing bodies of academic literature and is supported by empirical evidence.

Professionalism (PLO 5):

Graduate students will be aware of, and participate in, the intellectual and professional aspects of Global Studies, including the ethical conduct of research that is consistent with the social sciences and humanities.

Independent Research (PLO 6):

Graduate students will contribute to the field of global studies by conducting high quality independent research that addresses an important topic, issue, or problem associated with global civil society.