# INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

### **Course Offerings/credit**

Minimum 3 courses

Economics	1
AP European History	1
Foreign Language	1
Genocide	1
Sociology	1
Intro to public speak-	1
International Business	1
Choices and Global Perspective	1
Personal Finance	1

#### **Career options**

- Law
- Diplomacy
- Business
- Human Resources

#### **Learning Opportunities**

- Herodotus Society
- DECA
- Spanish Club
- French Club
- Gay-Straight Alliance

## PATHWAY DESCRIPTION

Students choosing to follow this pathway will be exposed to a variety of courses related to global opportunities.

The mission of the International Studies program is to foster creative thinking about complex global problems and to equip students with the analytic skills and tools, cultural expertise, and a crosscultural understanding of social, political, and economic norms of the international community to guide them in that process. In an everchanging globalized world, an International Studies program offers a broad, interdisciplinary perspective that provides a solid grounding for many future endeavors.

Students are expected to develop an interdisciplinary understanding of international affairs. Students are expected to explore various policy assessments and draw upon historical and modern precedents re-

lated to agenda setting and policy alternatives when addressing globalization issues. In particular, students will begin to address the practical and ethical aspects of international diplomacy and conflict and focus on the social, political, and economic outcomes which result.



### PATHWAY REQUIREMENTS

Students interested in pursuing a pathway in this area should meet with their guidance counselor to select the best sequence of courses that will satisfy the North Smithfield High School graduation requirements and at the same time, meet the

criteria to receive a seal of concentration in International Studies

Students will also develop an International studies related focus which will culminate in field experience for the required senior project. It is recommended that students choosing this concentration, actively seek postsecondary schools to further their education in this field.