

UNDERGRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN GULF STUDIES

Students in the Undergraduate Certificate in Gulf Studies learn about multi-faceted issues facing the Gulf of Mexico region, including a focus on East and Southeast Texas. An interdisciplinary seminar, field course, and applied internship experience provide skills students need to work with communities, agencies, and companies in the region.

Students must meet the University's general admissions standards. Any admitted undergraduate student with 60 completed credit hours and a minimum GPA of 2.0 can be considered for admission.

Code	Title	Hours
Undergraduate Certificate in Gulf Studies		
Required Courses		
GEOG 3398	Gulf Seminar	3
or POLS 3398	Gulf Seminar	
GEOG 3399	Gulf Field Studies	3
or SOCI 3399	Gulf Field Studies	
Prescribed Electives		
Select one course (3 SCH) from the following:		3
ARTS 4079	Independent Study	
COMS 4378	Internship In Communication Studies	
CRIJ 4073	Undergraduate Internship in Criminal Justice	
ENGL 4350	Technical Writing Internship	
ETEC 4390	Directed Studies	
GEOG 4399	Environmental and Geoscience Internship	
GEOL 4399	Environmental and Geoscience Internship	
HIST 3075	Independent Study	
MCOM 4398	Professional Internship	
PHIL 4385	Readings in Philosophy	
POLS 4094	Political Science Internship	
SOCI 4379	Internship In Applied Sociology	
Total Hours		9

The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) marketable skills initiative is part of the state's **60x30TX** plan and was designed to help students articulate their skills to employers. Marketable skills are those skills valued by employers and/or graduate programs that can be applied in a variety of work or education settings and may include interpersonal, cognitive, and applied skill areas.

The Undergraduate Certificate in Gulf Studies is designed to provide graduates with the following marketable skills:

- Interdisciplinary analyses that integrate critical thinking.
- Independent and team-based research skills.
- Technical writing.
- Oral presentations.
- Sustainability and resilience practices.