Global Development Capstone

Course prefix: INTA

Course number: 4744

Section: A

CRN
28820

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Course description:

This capstone course challenges you to apply everything you've learned in the Global Development Minor to address a real-world development challenge. Building on your foundation from INTA 2050 and other development courses, you will conduct an in-depth investigation of a development problem and propose either a practical intervention (applied project) or present evidence-based research findings (research paper).

The course is organized around a central question: How can we address development challenges ethically and effectively? You will engage with this question by: analyzing stakeholder perspectives, understanding why past interventions have failed, and designing feasible solutions or conducting rigorous research.

By the end of this course, you will have hands-on experience conducting development research, the analytical skills to critically evaluate interventions, and the professional competencies to communicate complex ideas to varied audiences. Most importantly, you will leave with a deeper understanding of what it means to work ethically and effectively in global development.

Academic honesty/integrity statement:

Students are expected to maintain the highest standards of academic integrity. All work submitted must be original and properly cited. Plagiarism, cheating, or any form of academic dishonesty will result in immediate consequences as outlined in the university's academic integrity policy.