

B.A. Major in Political Science with a Concentration in International Relations

The B.A. major in Political Science with a concentration in International Relations requires 14 courses:

Code	Title	Semester Hours
POLS 120	American Government & Politics	3.0
POLS 152	Politics Among Nations	3.0
POLS/SOAN 215	Soc Science Research Methods	4.0
POLS 252	U.S. Foreign Policy	3.0
Seven of the following political science courses (including at least three courses at the 300 level): ¹		21.0
POLS 254	Latin American Politics	
POLS 255	Contemporary European Politics	
POLS 261	Politics of China	
POLS 264	Russia and the FSU	
POLS 265	Contemporary Issues (if international topic)	
POLS 271	Middle Eastern Politics	
POLS 345	African Politics	
POLS 348	U.S. and Global Security	
POLS 352	International Relations Theory	
POLS 354	Globalization: Theory/Practice	
POLS 365	Advanced Issues (if international topic)	
Required economics course:		3.0
ECON 203	Principles of Microeconomics	
One of the following economics courses:		3.0
ECON 231	Comparative Economic Systems	
ECON 271	Environmental Economics	
ECON 316	Economic Development	
ECON 331	International Economics	
At least one foreign language course at the 200 level or above (not including literature courses taught in English) ²		0.0-6.0
Total Semester Hours		40.0-46.0

¹ Additional international or comparative political science electives or maximum of one 200 or 300-level non-international or non-comparative political science course may be taken in lieu of one 200-level IR course, with approval of the department chair.

² The foreign language requirement can be met by testing out at the required level of proficiency. Testing is done by the Languages and Cultures Department. Students whose native language is not English are exempt from the foreign language requirement. In either of these cases, the total number of courses required for the major will be reduced to 13.

Note: See overview page for departmental transfer credit policy.