

College of Liberal Arts & Human Sciences

Department of Political Science

Bachelor of Arts in International Studies (BAIS)

Major - International Relations (IREL)

Checksheet for Students Graduating in Calendar Year 2018

APPROVED
COMMISSION ON UNDERGRADUATE
STUDIES AND POLICIES

I. Core Degree Requirements	27 Credit Hours
II. Requirements for International Relations Major	33 Credit Hours
III. Curriculum for Liberal Education	27 Credit Hours
IV. Free Electives	33 Credit Hours
Total Required for International Relations Major	120 Credit Hours

Departmental Policies

Hours Requirement: A total of 120 hours is required to graduate with an International Studies degree of which there are sixty (60) required hours for the International Relations major.

In-major GPA: All of the courses in section I and II are included in the in-major GPA calculation. The overall and in-major GPA's required for graduation are 2.0.

Satisfactory Progress: To proceed satisfactorily toward a degree, a student must complete IS 1004, IS 1034, IS 2004, IS 2054, IS 2064, IS 2084 and Foreign language 2105 & 2106 by the end of the semester in which 60 hours have been attempted; must maintain an overall GPA of at least 2.0 and must maintain an in major GPA of 2.0.

Dual Use of Courses: No course can double count within or between International Studies-related majors with the exception of the Core Degree Requirements (Section I below), IS 1004, IS 2054, and IS 2064.

Prerequisites: Some courses listed on this checksheet have prerequisites. Be sure to consult the University Catalog and/or check with your advisor.

I. Core Degree Requirements

First Year Experience (3 credit hours)

- IS 1034 Introduction to International Studies and Political Science (3) *(cross-listed with PSCI 1034)*

Required International Studies Courses (12 credit hours)

- IS 2004 Research and Writing in International Studies (3)
 IS 2084 Theoretical Approaches to Global Order (3) *(cross-listed with PSCI 2084)*
 IS 3115 or IS 3116 Selected World Problems (3) *(cross-listed with PSCI 3115 and PSCI 3116)*
 IS 4004 Seminar in International Studies (3) (Senior Standing in IS and instructor consent required)

Required Foreign Language (12 credit hours)

12 credits must be of a single foreign language at the 3000-4000 level

- _____ (3) _____ (3) _____ (3) _____ (3)

The following courses are only offered as Pass/Fail and **can be used** toward fulfillment of this requirement:

SPAN 3125 SPAN 3126 FR 3125 FR 3126 GER 3125 GER 3126 RUS 3124

The following courses are **excluded** and cannot be used to fulfill this requirement:

ARBC 3304 FR 3954 GER 3414 GER 3474 RUS 3304 RUS 3314 RUS 3424

II. Requirements for the International Relations (IREL) Major

IREL Major Courses (18 credit hours)

- IS 1004 Nations and Nationalities (3) *(cross-listed with PSCI 1004)*
- IS 2054 Introduction to World Politics (3) *(cross-listed with PSCI 2054 and GEOG 2054)*
- IS 2064 The Global Economy and World Politics (3) *(cross-listed with PSCI 2064 and GEOG 2064)*
- IS 3615 (3) International Relations *(Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054 or IS 2064 or PSCI 2064 or GEOG 2064)*
- IS 3616 (3) International Relations *(Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054 or IS 2064 or PSCI 2064 or GEOG 2064)*
- _____ (3) Choose one of the following courses:
 - PSCI 4514 Senior Seminar in Comparative Politics (3) *(Pre: 3515 or 3516 or 3524 or 3554 or 3564 or 3514 or 3534 or 3544 or 3574 or 3584) or*
 - IS 4614 Senior Seminar in International Relations (3) *(cross-listed with PSCI 4614; Pre: IS 3615 or PSCI 3615 or IS 3616 or PSCI 3616 or IS 3625 or PSCI 3616 or IS 3626 or PSCI 3626 or IS 3734 or PSCI 3734) or*
 - PSCI 4724 Senior Seminar in Political Theory (3) *(Pre: 3015 or 3016 or 3764 or 3754 or 3774) or*
 - IS 4734 Theories and Practices of International Conflict Management (3) *(cross-listed with PSCI 4734; Pre: IS 3616 or PSCI 3616)*

Elective Courses for the IREL Major (15 credit hours)

- _____ (3) _____ (3) _____ (3) _____ (3) _____ (3)

Select from the following to fulfill the Elective courses for the IREL Major²:

Political Science (PSCI)

- PSCI 1024 Introduction to Comparative Government and Politics (3)
- PSCI 2014 Introduction to Political Theory (3)
- PSCI 2024 Research Methods in Political Science (3) *(Pre: 1014 or 1014H, 1024 or 1024H)*
- PSCI 3015 Political Theory (3) *(Pre: 2014)*
- PSCI 3016 Political Theory (3) *(Pre: 2014)*
- PSCI 3255 The Politics of Race, Ethnicity and Gender (3) *(Pre: 1014 or 1024)*
- PSCI 3256 The Politics of Race, Ethnicity and Gender (3) *(Pre: 1014 or 1024)*
- PSCI 3344 Global Environmental Issues (3) *(cross-listed with UPA 3344; Pre: completion of Area 4 of University Core)*
- PSCI 3514 Latin American Government and Politics (3) *(Pre: 1014H or 1024)*
- PSCI 3515 European Political Systems (3) *(Pre: 1024 or 1024H)*
- PSCI 3516 European Political Systems (3) *(Pre: 1024 or 1024H)*
- PSCI 3524 Politics of Post-Communist Systems (3) *(Pre: 1024 or 1024H)*
- PSCI 3534 African Government and Politics (3) *(Pre: 1024 or 1024H)*
- PSCI 3544 The State of Israel (3) *(Cross-listed with JUD 3544 and RLCL 3544; Pre: 1024 or 1024H or JUD 2134)*
- PSCI 3564 Violent Political Change (3) *(Pre: 1024 or 1024H)*
- PSCI 3574 Government and Politics of Japan (3) *(Pre: 1024 or 1024H)*
- PSCI 3584 Governments and Politics of Asia (3) *(Pre: 1024 or 1024H)*
- PSCI 3684 Indigenous Peoples and World Politics (3) *(Cross-listed with AINS 3684)*
- PSCI 3764 Contemporary Democratic Theory (3) *(Pre: 2014 and (3015 or 3016))*
- PSCI 3774 Marxian Political Analysis (3) *(Cross-listed with UAP 3774; Pre: 2014 and (3016 or 3554))*
- PSCI 3784 The Origins of the State (3) *(Pre: 2014 and (3015 or 3016))*
- PSCI 4514 Senior Seminar in Comparative Politics (3) *(Pre: 3515 or 3516 or 3524 or 3554 or 3564 or 3514 or 3534 or 3544 or 3574 or 3584)*
- PSCI 4724 Senior Seminar in Political Theory (3) *(Pre: 3015 or 3016 or 3764 or 3754 or 3774)*

International Studies (IS)

- IS 4614 Senior Seminar in International Relations (3) *(Cross-listed with PSCI 4614; Pre: IS 3615 or PSCI 3615 or IS 3616 or PSCI 3616 or IS 3625 or PSCI 3616 or IS 3626 or PSCI 3626 or IS 3734 or PSCI 3734)*
- IS 4734 Theories and Practices of International Conflict Management (3) *(cross-listed with PSCI 4734; Pre: IS 3616 or PSCI 3616)*

A maximum of 6 credits from the following can be used toward the 15 credits of required IREL electives^{1, 2}:

International Studies (IS)

- IS 2034 Geography of Global Conflict (3) *(cross-listed with PSCI 2034 and GEOG 2034)*
- IS 2044 Food, War, and Conflict (3) *(cross-listed with PSCI 2044 and FST 2044)*
- IS 2134 Geography of Global Economy (3) *(cross-listed with PSCI 2134 and GEOG 2134)*
- IS 3004 Professionalism and Careers in Political Science and International Studies *(cross-listed with PSCI 3004; Pre: Junior Standing)*
- IS 3104 Security Studies: Theories and Concepts (3) *(cross-listed with PSCI 3104; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)*
- IS 3114 Global Security (3) *(cross-listed with PSCI 3114; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)*
- IS 3134 Global Conflict and War (3) *(cross-listed with PSCI 3134; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)*
- IS 3144 Global Governance & Public Policy (3) *(cross-listed with PSCI 3144; Pre: (IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054) and (IS 2064 or PSCI 2064 or GEOG 2064))*
- IS 3154 Topics in Global Public Policies (3) *(cross-listed with PSCI 3154; Pre: (IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054) and (IS 2064 or PSCI 2064 or GEOG 2064))*
- IS 3165 Global Economic Governance and Policy (3) *(cross-listed with PSCI 3165; Pre: IS 2064 or PSCI 2064 or GEOG 2064)*
- IS 3166 Global Economic Governance and Policy (3) *(cross-listed with PSCI 3166; Pre: IS 2064 or PSCI 2064 or GEOG 2064)*
- IS 3175 Global Development (3) *(cross-listed with PSCI 3175; Pre: (IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054) and (IS 2064 or PSCI 2064 or GEOG 2064))*
- IS 3176 Global Development (3) *(cross-listed with PSCI 3176; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054 and IS 2064 or PSCI 2064 or GEOG 2064)*
- IS 3184 Human Security (3) *(cross-listed with PSCI 3184; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)*
- IS 3194 Nuclear Strategy and Politics (3) *(cross-listed with PSCI 3194; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)*
- IS 3624 Foreign Policy and Diplomacy (3) *(cross-listed with PSCI 3624; Pre: PSCI 1024 or PSCI 1024H)*
- IS 3625 US-Russia Foreign Policies (3) *(cross-listed with PSCI 3625; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)*
- IS 3626 Foreign Policies of the Super Powers (3) *(cross-listed with PSCI 3126; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)*
- IS 3634 Human Rights: Global Issues (3) *(cross-listed with PSCI 3634; Pre: PSCI 1024 or IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)*
- IS 3704 National Security Strategy (3) *(cross-listed with PSCI 3704; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)*
- IS 3734 National Security (3) *(cross-listed with PSCI 3734; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)*
- IS 3735 National Security Policies (3) *(cross-listed with PSCI 3735; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)*
- IS 3736 National Security Policies (3) *(cross-listed with PSCI 3736; Pre: IS 3735 or PSCI 3735)*
- IS 3794 Terrorism and Counterterrorism (3) *(cross-listed with PSCI 3794; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)*
- IS 3944 International Enrollment
- IS 3954 Study Abroad
- IS 4014 Seminar in Grassroots Development (3)
- IS 4024 Seminar in Diplomacy and Security (3) *(cross-listed with PSCI 4024; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)*
- IS 4044 International Communication (3) *(cross-listed with COMM 4044)*
- IS 4054 Seminar in Global Political Economy (3) *(cross-listed with PSCI 4054; Pre: IS 2064 or PSCI 2064 or GEOG 2064)*
- IS 4064 Seminar in Global Development (3) *(cross-listed with PSCI 4064; Pre: IS 2064 or PSCI 2064 or GEOG 2064)*
- IS 4735 Multilateral Diplomacy Workshop (3) *(cross-listed with PSCI 4735; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)*
- IS 4736 Multilateral Diplomacy Workshop (3) *(cross-listed with PSCI 4736; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)*
- IS 4974 Independent Study³
- IS 4984 Special Study³
- IS 4994 Undergraduate Research³

¹Please note that not all courses are offered each semester. Check in the Undergraduate Course Catalog or with the department offering the course to find out when courses are offered.

²Check the Undergraduate Course Catalog or the Timetable of classes for the most up to date course restrictions and pre-requisites.

³The content of the Independent Study or Special Study, as well as the topic of Undergraduate Research should be relevant to the International Relations major. Please ask the International Studies advisor in advance whether the proposed Independent Study or Special Study or Undergraduate Research topic qualifies.

University and Admissions Foreign Language Requirement (No Credits Count Toward the Degree)

This is a requirement that is SEPARATE from the International Studies requirement.

Completion of this requirement WILL NOT fulfill your International Studies Language Requirement.

Complete one of the following options

- 3 years of a single foreign, classical, or sign language in high school.
OR
- 2 years of a single foreign, classical, or sign language in high school plus 1106 or the equivalent in college (these 3 hours count toward the 120 required for graduation)
OR
- Complete FL 1105-1106 or the equivalent in college (these 6 hours do not count toward the 120 required for graduation)

III. CURRICULUM FOR LIBERAL EDUCATION (CLE)¹ (27 Credit Hours)*

**27 Credit Hours does not include the below courses that are already required by the major.*

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| Area 1 | Writing and Discourse (6 credits) | <input type="checkbox"/> | <u> </u> |
| | <i>Based on English placement, this requirement can be met by taking:
ENGL 1105 and ENGL 1106 or ENGL 1204H</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <u> </u> |
| Area 2 | Ideas, Cultural Traditions, and Values (6 credits) | <input type="checkbox"/> | <u> </u> |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> | <u> </u> |
| Area 3 | Society and Human Behavior (6 credits) | <input type="checkbox"/> | <u>IS 2054</u> |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> | <u>IS 2064</u> |
| Area 4 | Scientific Reasoning and Discovery (6 credits) | <input type="checkbox"/> | <u> </u> |
| | <i>No Labs are required</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <u> </u> |
| Area 5 | Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning (6 credits) | <input type="checkbox"/> | <u> </u> |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> | <u> </u> |
| Area 6 | Creative and Aesthetic Experience (3 credits) | <input type="checkbox"/> | <u> </u> |
| Area 7 | Critical Issues in a Global Context | <input type="checkbox"/> | <u>IS 1004</u> |

The full list of approved courses for each area above can be in the "Curriculum for Liberal Education Guide" on the Provost's Office web page (www.provost.vt.edu).

IV. Free Electives

Free electives make up the remainder of the credits for the IREL major. Take as many as needed to reach 120 credits.

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