

International Relations and Global Studies, International Political Economy (BA)

Total Hours Required: 120

Plan of Study

The Plan of Study is a suggested four-year course sequence to support academic planning and serves as a helpful guide. Currently enrolled students should meet with their academic advisor to tailor their course selections and timelines to their individual goals and circumstances.

Course	Title	Hours
Year 1		
Semester 1		
GRG 305	This Human World: An Introduction to Geography	3
<u>First-Year Signature Course (090)</u>		3
<u>Mathematics (020)</u>		3
<u>Foreign Language other than English, Intermediate Proficiency</u>		6
Hours		15
Semester 2		
RHE 306	Rhetoric and Writing	3
GOV 310L	American and Texas Government	3
<u>Natural Science and Technology, Part I (030)</u>		3
<u>Foreign Language other than English, Intermediate Proficiency</u>		6
Hours		15
Year 2		
Semester 1		
E 316L	British Literature	3
GOV 312L	Issues and Policies in American Government	3
<u>U.S. History (060)</u>		3
<u>Natural Science and Technology, Part I (030)</u>		3
<u>Foreign Language other than English, Intermediate Proficiency</u>		3
Hours		15
Semester 2		
<u>Foreign Language other than English, Intermediate Proficiency</u>		3
ANT 302	Cultural Anthropology	3
IRG 301	Introduction to International Relations and Global Studies	3
ECO 301	Introduction to Economics	3
Hours chosen from: Upper-division Area of Study		3
Hours		15
Year 3		
Semester 1		
<u>Visual and Performing Arts (050)</u>		3
Hours chosen from: Additional upper-division concentration coursework		3
Hours chosen from: Upper-division Area of Study		3
HIS 301J	Globalization: A Modern History	3
GOV 360E	International Political Economy	3
Hours		15
Semester 2		
<u>Natural Science and Technology, Part II (093)</u>		3
IRG 320F	Foundations of International Relations and Global Studies	3
Hours chosen from: Upper-division Foreign language		3
Hours chosen from: Upper-division Area of Study		3
HIS 340L	Post-Mao China: Change and Transformation	3
Hours		15

Year 4		
Semester 1		
<u>U.S. History (060)</u>		3
Hours chosen from: Upper-division Foreign language		3
Free Elective (upper-division)		3
TXA 331	Textiles and Apparel in a Global Market	3
Free Elective		3
Hours		15
Semester 2		
Free Elective		3
IRG 378	Capstone Research in International Relations and Global Studies	3
Free Elective (upper-division)		3
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Hours		15
Total Hours		120

Requirements

All requirements are listed below, starting with the most specialized moving to the most general. Additional requirements may follow the table, so be sure to read the entire page. Some required courses listed below may also satisfy [General Education](#) requirements, including [Core Curriculum](#).

Code	Title	Hours
Concentration		
<i>International Political Economy</i>		
Hours chosen from: Upper-division coursework in International Political Economy		9
GOV 360E	International Political Economy	
HIS 340L	Post-Mao China: Change and Transformation	
TXA 331	Textiles and Apparel in a Global Market	
Courses chosen from an approved list		
<i>Subtotal</i>		9
Major (see details below)		39
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Degree (see details below)		51
Free electives: Additional coursework to reach total hours required.		0
<i>Subtotal</i>		51
General Education		
<u>Remaining Core Curriculum (42 hours total)</u>		21
<u>Foreign Language other than English, Intermediate Proficiency</u>		
<i>Subtotal</i>		21
<u>College Requirements - Liberal Arts</u>		
<u>General University Requirements</u>		
Total Hours		120

Major-International Relations and Global Studies (BA)

Code	Title	Hours
IRG 301	Introduction to International Relations and Global Studies (A grade of at least C- is required)	3
GRG 305	This Human World: An Introduction to Geography	3
HIS 301J	Globalization: A Modern History	3
Hours chosen from:		3
ECO 301	Introduction to Economics	
ECO 304K	Introduction to Microeconomics	

ECO 304L	Introduction to Macroeconomics	
Hours chosen from:		3
ANT 302	Cultural Anthropology	
SOC 302	Introduction to the Study of Society	
IRG 320F	Foundations of International Relations and Global Studies	3
IRG 350M	Research Methods in International Relations and Global Studies (with a minimum grade of C-)	3
Hours chosen from a single area of study with at least six upper-division:		9
Asian Studies		
European Studies		
Latin American Studies		
Middle Eastern Studies		
Russian, Eurasian, and East European Studies		
African Studies (such as AFR 304, AFR 335E, AFR 345F or courses chosen from an approved list)		
Hours chosen from: Upper-division coursework in a single foreign language		6
Hours chosen from:		3
IRG 378	Capstone Research in International Relations and Global Studies (A grade of at least C- is required)	
IRG 678H	Honors Tutorial Course (for students seeking special honors)	
Total Hours		39

Additional Requirements and Policies

International relations and global studies majors must participate in an approved study abroad program. A list of approved programs is available from the faculty advisor. A student who graduated from an international high school may petition to be excused from this requirement. Documentation is required, and the petition must be approved by the faculty advisor and the associate dean for academic affairs.

Degree - Bachelor of Arts (BA) - Liberal Arts

Code	Title	Hours
Degree		
<i>Literature and Writing</i>		
RHE 306	Rhetoric and Writing (Plan II honors requires at least a C-; may also count toward Core Curriculum)	3
Hours chosen from: <u>Writing intensive coursework-see course list</u> (may also count toward Core Curriculum; Plan II honors requires at least a C-)		3
Hours chosen from: Upper-division <u>Writing intensive coursework-see course list</u> (may also count toward Core Curriculum; Plan II honors requires at least a C-)		6
Choose a sequence below:		12
Sequence 1: Plan II Honors (requires at least a C-; may also count toward Core Curriculum)		
E 303C	Plan II World Literature Part I	
or T C 303C	Plan II World Literature Part I	
Sequence 2: Plan I		
E 316L	British Literature	
or E 316M	American Literature	
or E 316N	World Literature	
Foreign Language other than English, Intermediate Proficiency		3

Choose a sequence below: <i>Social Science</i>	3
Sequence 1: Plan II Honors (requires at least a C-; may also count toward Core Curriculum)	
S S 302C	Honors Social Science: Methods and Theory
or S S 302D	Honors Social Science: Psychology
or S S 302E	Honors Social Science: Anthropology
or S S 302E	Honors Social Science: Anthropology
or S S 302F	Honors Social Science: Economics
Sequence 2: Plan I	
<u>Additional Social Science (may not also be counted toward Core Curriculum)</u>	
<i>Mathematics</i>	
Choose a sequence below: (M 301, M 316K, and M 316L do not count toward this requirement)	3
Sequence 1: Plan II Honors	
M 310P	Modern Mathematics: Plan II
Sequence 2: Plan I	
Hours chosen from: Mathematics	
Choose a sequence below:	3
Sequence 1: Plan II Honors	
T C 310	Modes of Reasoning
or PHL 313Q	Logic and Scientific Reasoning
Sequence 2: Plan I	
<u>Cultural Expression, Human Experience, and Thought (may not also be counted toward Core Curriculum)</u>	
Choose a sequence below:	15
Sequence 1: Plan II Honors	
Six Hours chosen from: Astronomy, biology, chemistry, geological sciences, physical science, or physics (may also count toward Core Curriculum)	
BIO 301E	Problems in Modern Biology
PHY 321	Modern Physics: Plan II
Three Hours chosen from:	
Art history, music history, or history of theatre and dance	
Upper-division classical civilization, humanities, literature, or philosophy	
Sequence 2: Plan I International Relations and Global Studies	
Free electives: Additional coursework to reach total hours required.	
Sequence 3: Other Plan I	
Hours chosen from:	
<u>Transcript-recognized minor or certificate</u>	
Liberal Arts multi-disciplinary minor in the Social and Behavioral Sciences	
Liberal Arts multi-disciplinary minor in Cultural Expression, Human Experience, and Thought	
Total Hours	51

Additional Requirements and Policies

Unless otherwise stated, students must complete at least:

- 15 upper-division degree hours
- 24 upper-division degree hours taken in residence at the University
- 36 additional degree hours taken in residence at the University.

Credit may be earned via credit by examination, extension, or transferred hours from another institution (requires dean's approval).

Major and minor required hours may also be used to fulfill degree requirements unless expressly prohibited.

A course in one degree area may not also be used to fulfill the requirements of another degree area unless specified otherwise.

Mathematics courses at the college algebra level may not count toward elective hours.

Majors

A major consists of 24 to 45 hours, with at least 15 upper-division hours unless the requirements of the major state otherwise.

Students must earn at least:

- 18 major hours taken in residence at the University.
- 6 upper-division major hours taken in residence at the University
- a 2.00 grade point average for in-residence major hours taken at the University unless a higher minimum scholastic requirement is specified for the major.

Minors

Students must get permission from their College of Liberal Arts academic advisor to pursue more than one transcript-recognized minor or certificate per major. The academic advisor will approve or deny the request after considering the student's long-term educational and professional goals and the student's ability to graduate within 4 years of entering the University.

Students should consult the department offering the course before planning to use it to fulfill the minor requirement.

Hours used to fulfill the requirements for a minor must be taken on the letter-grade basis.

See [University Minor and Certificate policies here.](#)