

CORE REQUIREMENTS

The Core Requirements constitute the foundation of knowledge that is needed by all majors in International Relations, regardless of thematic or disciplinary concentration. They are comprised of broad introductory courses that cover the major themes and debates within each discipline on the study of international affairs.

All majors in International Relations must complete the following Core Requirements:

Core Requirement 1: Introduction to International Relations

PS 61 presents the major philosophical, theoretical, and methodological approaches to the study of international relations from the perspective of political science. At the thematic level, it introduces concepts including nationalism, sovereignty, power, conflict, and interdependence. At the theoretical level, it introduces debates between approaches including classical and recent (neo) variants of liberalism, realism, and political culture theory, and applies these approaches to such diverse problems as war and peace, world order, deterrence, imperialism, international trade, international environmental cooperation, and arms control.

PS061	Introduction to International Relations
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Core Requirement 2: Principles of Economics

EC 5 introduces students to the fundamentals of microeconomic and macroeconomic analysis. Topics covered in microeconomics include (1) how markets determine the composition and pricing of outputs and inputs and (2) how individual consumers and businesses respond to market forces. Topics covered in macroeconomics include (1) the determinants of economic growth and (2) the effects of fiscal and monetary policy on unemployment, inflation, and capacity utilization.

EC005	Principles of Economics
EC008	Principles of Economics with Environmental Applications (can replace EC5, but <u>only</u> for students who complete TC2 and TC3 or double major with Environmental Studies)

Core Requirement 3: International Economics

A core course in international economics is a broad and introductory course that acquaints students with the evaluation of international commercial arrangements. The main areas addressed include trade, finance, development, comparative, and environmental economics, but attention is also given to economic history, philosophy, and strategic analysis where relevant to analysis of international relations. All courses presume a previous foundation in principles of microeconomics and macroeconomics (i.e., EC 5).

Choose **ONE** course from below:

EC060	International Economics
EC161	International Trade
EC162	International Finance

Core Requirement 4: The Historical Dimension

A core course in the historical dimension is a broad and introductory course that serves to emphasize the way international relations are deeply grounded in identities, values, and prejudices that are themselves the products of long historical processes and the interaction of different peoples. Appropriate courses will include narratives that deal with the origin and development of regional, national, and ethnic cultures as they relate to the shaping of international and transnational relations, and the historical development of ideologies that have had an important impact on contemporary international affairs.

Choose **ONE** course from below:

HIST001	International Relations: The Historical Perspective
HIST002	Globalization
HIST004	Empires and Nations
HIST005	History of Consumption
HIST010	Colonialism in Global Perspective
HIST011	Worlds to Make: The Global History of International Development
HIST012	Science & Technology in World History
HIST065	Great Britain and the British Empire
HIST066	Spain and its Empire
HIST070	Middle East to World War I (approved for Fall 2016, Fall 2019, and beyond)
HIST071	Middle East and North Africa since World War I
HIST072	World of Islam
HIST080	World Revolution: Global Communism

Core Requirement 5: Theories of Society and Culture

A core course in theories of society and culture is a broad and introductory course that provides meta-narratives and theoretical frameworks for analyzing enduring issues of cultural, religious, and political life both within societies and between political communities. It will focus on the normative considerations—such as the role of the individual in the community, views on the meaning and highest forms of human existence, and the relationship between the government and the governed—that are necessary for a well-rounded understanding of international relations.

Choose **ONE** course from below:

ANTH010	Introduction to Sociocultural Anthropology (taught during Tufts summer sessions)
ANTH025	Anthropology and Armed Conflict
ANTH027/PJS027	Human Rights in Cultural Context
ANTH130	Anthropological Thought
FAH002/PJS002	Introduction to World Art II
MUS038	Music as Culture
PHIL024	Introduction to Ethics
PHIL048	Feminist Philosophy
PS041/PHIL041/CLS045	Western Political Thought I
PS042/PHIL042	Western Political Thought II
PS111	Political Psychology (through the Fall 2017 semester only)

PS138-02	Making States: Theory and Practice (through the Fall 2017 semester only)
PS142	Ethics and International Relations (through the Fall 2017 semester only)
PSY013	Social Psychology
REL001	Introduction to Religion
SOC050	Globalization and Social Change
SOC135/PJS135/AMER050	Social Movements (through the Fall 2017 semester only)