CONGRATULATIONS
IR Class of 2016!

Best wishes for a bright future! Please keep in touch and let us know what you are doing.

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Special Announcement: IR Curriculum Changes Approved!
Over the past year and a half, IR Program faculty committees met regularly to discuss curriculum issues in the following thematic concentrations: TC2, TC4, TC5, and TC6. We are pleased to announce that the proposed changes have been approved by the Arts & Sciences Curricula Committee as follows:

♦ TC2 International Economics no longer requires a US Role in World Affairs course.

♦ TC4 International Security - in addition to the currently approved culture courses for TC4, students in TC4 may alternatively fulfill the culture requirement by taking a course from the linguistic region they are using to fulfill their language requirement.

♦ The NEW TC5 concentration is titled Globalizations. The OLD TC5 The United States in World Affairs is available to Class Years 2017-2019 only. The NEW TC5 focuses on the spread of ideas through global practices and behaviors such as human rights, migration, urbanization, media, technology, empires and colonialism, and the study of culture. TC5 addresses global phenomena that may involve identities, security, economics, environment or microbes but not as a central focus.

♦ The NEW TC6 concentration is titled Identity. The OLD TC6A/6B Ideas and Identity is available to Class Years 2017-2019 only. The NEW TC6 focuses on how individuals perceive themselves in their relationships to the world through prisms such as gender, class, religion, race, nationality, and ethnicity. Courses in the TC6 concentration must foreground how identity bears upon international affairs.

A very special thanks to the IR Curriculum and Executive Committee members who spent a great deal of time and effort to make these changes happen.

Visit the IR website under Academics for more information/details:
http://ase.tufts.edu/ir/academics/

IR Class of 2016: Student Voices

We asked the IR Class of 2016 to send us any advice they would like to offer to future IR majors (as well as comments on studying abroad and other general comments). Here is what some of them had to say:

ADVICE for incoming/future IR majors:

~See about a double major with a field similar to your concentration. You'll go more in depth into your subject.

~Don't rush into picking a concentration - try out different classes, especially in the core requirements. Also talk to professors with research topics that interest you. That will give you a better idea of what you're truly interested in.

~Plan your four years well--even if you don't end up following the plan it will help you organize your time for classes and help you have time to go abroad.

~Plan in advance what classes you want to take, so as to have a cohesive, holistic IR degree.

~Definitely keep a balanced workload.

~Keep track of requirements and save your capstone course until junior or senior year.

~Go abroad. Choose a concentration that truly interests you. Consider a second major if it has overlapping classes (IR/EC, IR/CH, etc) to make the degree more skills-based and applicable to the real world.

~Don't let Intro to IR be a deterrent from the major.

STUDY ABROAD—what students liked BEST:


~Traveling throughout Australia and getting to engrain myself fully in one country.

~Getting away from Tufts campus and being in a less insular environment.

~I loved being in Istanbul. I really enjoyed the

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immersive experience in a new and thoroughly vibrant global city.

~Being away from the “campus bubble.”

~The French language immersion and the opportunity to live as a local in a foreign country.

~Bettering my Spanish and getting to know other Tufts kids (on the Tufts-in-Chile program).

~Honestly, my favorite part of studying abroad was having fun. I also value that I got to explore the world, improve my Spanish, and learn about Spain.

~Spending lazy afternoons strolling through Madrid and traveling.

~I studied abroad twice, once in China and once in South Korea. One thing that I enjoyed the most with regards to the study abroad programs that I was able to participate in was the fact that I could be exposed to different cultural and academic environment every time I traveled abroad. In particular, different academic environment and courses each institution provided were extremely helpful in widening the scope of my understanding.

GENERAL COMMENTS:

~The IR program has been incredibly rewarding as it allowed me to receive a very well rounded education about our world, and simultaneously concentrate on a topic I'm extremely interested in - international economics. The professors are very knowledgeable and helpful. I am so happy to have completed this major with amazing classmates alongside me. I look forward to continue on to my career post graduation as a research analyst at a strategic advisory firm and continue using what I learned at Tufts every day. ~Mod Boon-Long

~An interdisciplinary major, IR has allowed me to explore my interests in different departments and inspired my passion for all things international. Thank you Tufts. ~Abby Curran

~My favorite thing about the IR major is that two students can take their studies in completely different directions, but still have the same solid grounding in theory. The IR program allowed me the freedom to specialize in the area that was most relevant to my future plans, development economics. I really appreciated this flexibility. ~Adrienne Larson

Calling all IR Alumni (and that includes you Class of 2016)!

Let us know what you are doing (e.g. jobs/careers, graduate schools, internships, scholarships, travel, etc.). Please keep in touch! Don’t be a stranger!
IR Event Recap from 2015-2016: During the 2015-2016 academic year, the IR Program staff and student groups worked tirelessly to provide quality service, support and numerous events and programs to the vast IR community.

Academic and Career Resource Events

IR Freshman Orientation
On Sept 4, the IR Program staff hosted an orientation (information session) for the incoming class of 2019. Over 100 first year students attended.

Fireside Discussion on the Iran Nuclear Deal
On Sept 10, the IR program co-sponsored an event featuring Yaacov Amidor, National Security Advisor to the Prime Minister of Israel and head of the Israeli National Security Council and Nicholas Burns, Professor of the Practice of Diplomacy and International Relations at Harvard Kennedy School of Government.

State Department Information Sessions with the Diplomat in Residence
On Sept 16, the Diplomat in Residence hosted two separate information sessions. The first to talk with students about the application process for State Department internships and what it is like to intern for the State Department domestically and abroad; the second to discuss careers in the Foreign Service and Civil Service at the State Department.

“The Journey of an Entrepreneur: From Start-up to Billion Dollar Company” Lecture With Gerry Ford, F’84
On Sept 22, Fletcher Alumnus and Chairman and Chief Executive of Caffè Nero Group Limited, Gerry Ford, spoke to students on the topics of developing consumer brands and entrepreneurship. Caffè Nero Group Limited is Europe’s largest independent coffee house group.

DLC Crash Course: The Greek Financial Crisis
On Oct 14, the IR Program Director, Professor Drusilla Brown, discussed the simple analytics of the Greek financial crisis. The event was hosted by the IR Program and the IR Director’s Leadership Council (DLC).

IR Concentration Fair
On Oct 20, the IR Program and the DLC hosted a fair allowing prospective majors to explore all the different International Relations concentrations by talking to current students.

Order & Chaos: The World Ahead
On Dec 8, the new IR Professor of the Practice, Ulrich Schlie, gave an introductory lecture for students interested in taking new INTR classes in the spring.

Career Networking with Fletcher Students
On Dec 8, the Ralph Bunche Society for Diversity in International Relations and the IR Program were pleased to invite Tufts undergraduate students who are considering careers in international affairs to join Fletcher students with extensive experience working in the US and internationally across a range of fields for a panel discussion and networking event.

Career Center Resources for IR Students
On Feb 12, Nicole Anderson from the Tufts Career Center talked to IR majors about the many resources and funding opportunities for jobs and internships within the field.

DLC Crash Course: Syrian Civil War
On Feb 24, the DLC and the New Initiative for Middle East Peace hosted a lunch with Professor Hugh Roberts, an expert in Middle Eastern History, who discussed recent developments in the Syrian Civil War that has raged on in excess of five years.
Academic and Career Resource Events

Luncheon with Mr. Banbury, Former United Nations Assistant Secretary-General for Field Support
On April 2, former United Nations Assistant Secretary-General for Field Support and Head of the United Nations Mission for Ebola Emergency Response (UNMEER) shared his experiences followed by a Q&A session with students.

DLC Crash Course: Special Ops in the Middle East
On April 5, Major Todd Dahmann led an off-the-record discussion on the overutilization of special operations forces in the Middle East.

Fletcher Mentors Speed Dating & Networking Luncheon
On April 5, Fletcher students met with undergrad juniors and seniors interested in international affairs degrees. Pairs of Fletcher students in similar fields sat at tables around the room with groups of six undergrads for seven minutes. This was a great opportunity for undergrads to gain exposure to the immense range of fields in the international sector.

Behind Closed Doors: The US Role in Greece’s Dual Crises
On April 20, Katerina Sokou, the Washington correspondent for the Greek Daily Kathimerini and SKAI TV, spoke about the US role in the dual crises Greece is currently facing, both economic and migration.

SIR induction Ceremony
On April 26, fifty IR students were inducted into the Beta Chi Chapter of Sigma Iota Rho, the Honor Society for International Studies. See page 8 for a complete list of the newly inducted students.

DLC Crash Course: The Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP)
On April 27, Professor Joel Trachtman (Fletcher School) led a DLC crash course on the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP).

The Destruction of the Cultural Heritage of Syria and Iraq: Current Debate and Protection Efforts
On April 28, Salam Al Kuntar, Syrian archaeologist and a Research Fellow at the Penn Museum of the University of Pennsylvania, spoke on the destruction of cultural heritage of Syria and Iraq.

IR Research Events and Scholarships

Anne E. Borghesani Symposium & Dinner
The IR Program proudly stewards the Anne E. Borghesani Memorial Prize, which was created to inspire personal and intellectual growth, increase understanding of all peoples, and encourage a commitment to community by providing students with funding to travel and conduct research abroad. On Nov 18, students interested in learning more about conducting research, traveling abroad, and applying for funding through the Borghesani Prize were invited to listen to last year’s prize recipients share their experiences. For a list of this year’s winners (who will present next year), see page 9.

IR Research Scholars Program
The IR Research Scholars Program supports original, high-quality undergraduate international research. The award consists of financial support and faculty mentorship for intensive summer research work. This competitive program is aimed at IR majors (sophomore standing and above) who anticipate producing an upper level research paper in their senior year. For a list of this year’s winners, see page 9.

Thesis Seminar (Monthly Meetings)
Thesis seminar meetings, hosted by IR Core Faculty member, Prof Jeanne Penvenne, provided an opportunity for thesis writers to share their research and experiences with each other throughout the year. Feedback and support received during these meetings was an invaluable resource.

Thesis Exchange
This annual event is an opportunity for Tufts seniors to present their research findings in a full day celebration of undergraduate scholarship. On April 29, fifteen students from the IR Program and Departments of History and Political Science presented their senior thesis projects. For a list of this year’s IR majors who wrote a senior honor thesis, see page 8.
IR Alumni Outreach Event

Annual IR Career Symposium
On Feb 27, the IR Program hosted the International Relations Career Symposium, an annual event which brings together recruiters, alumni, and students to help current Tufts students plan their academic and professional careers in international relations. Dr. Alex Crowther, Cyber Policy Specialist, Center for Technology & National Security Policy, National Defense University, delivered the keynote address, followed by a networking lunch, career panels, and breakout sessions.

Dining with the Stars: An IR Student-Faculty Dinner
On Dec 2, the IR Program sponsored an event in which students had the opportunity to share a delicious meal and converse with IR Core Faculty.

IR Program and Political Science End of the Year BBQ
On May 2, the IR Program and Political Science Department held their first joint BBQ event. This year, due to rainy weather, the BBQ took place in the Remis Sculpture Court. Over 100 students and faculty attended the fun and delicious end of year celebration.

IR Senior Reception
On May 21, IR staff, faculty, seniors, family, and friends gathered together for a pre-commencement celebration! Once more, congrats to the IR Class of 2016! Best wishes for a bright future!

IR Social Events

IR Fall Social and Information Fair
On Oct 5, the IR Program hosted a lunch to connect IR majors with various Tufts resources including the Career Center, Study Abroad Office and the College Transition Advisers. Information was provided about new IR resources as well, including Neeraj Prasad who taught extracurricular classes on STATA and Excel throughout the year.

Stay tuned to the IR Weekly e-mails (sent out every Friday during the academic year) for special announcements and IR related events at Tufts and around the Boston Metro area!

Interested in submitting an announcement through the IR Weekly? Send a message to the following e-mail address: internationalrelations@tufts.edu
Spotlight on IR Core Faculty: Publications

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Year after year IR faculty devote a great deal of time and energy to the IR Program and its students in addition to responsibilities and commitments in their home departments. They teach, advise, supervise honors theses and directed research projects, write letters of recommendations and nominations, serve on IR committees, and attend IR meetings and events...the list goes on and on.

We want you to know that we are enormously grateful for all that you do.

Congratulations to Nancy Bauer on her new appointment as Dean of the School of the Museum of Fine Arts!

**Newly Published Journal and Book Articles**


**Spotlight on IR Student Accomplishments**

**Sigma Iota Rho’s Beta Chi Chapter: 2015-2016 New Inductees**

Guy Ah-Fenne  
Erik Anderson  
Nicoleta Arata  
Neha Bhatia  
Yuchun Bian  
Austin Brush  
Richard Cohn  
Justin Corben  
Ray-Ting Fan  
Jacqueline Faselt  
Joselyn Garcia  
Hannah Gersten  
Kathryn Gibb  
Adriana Guardans-Godo  
Dana Guth  
Sarah Hamad  
Ana Haubold  
Claire Hoffman  
Rebecca Hutchinson  
Morgan Jordan  
Julia Kang  
Dana Kaufman  
Georgia Kay  
Alison Klemencic  
Alexander Knapp  
Max Kober  
Adrienne Larson  
Lara LoBrutto  
Thomas Lucic  
Michaela Mellen  
Jessica Muganza  
Hashim Pasha  
Brian Pollock  
Madeleine Prior  
Rachel Rapaport  
MD Rasmim Rasmim  
Jason Rathman  
Ella Rivas-Chacon  
Noa Rosen  
George Roumeliotis  
Emily Schacter  
Zachary Shulhofer  
Shai Slotky  
Emily Spak  
Shane Suksanlum  
Lilly Tahmasabi  
Lyla Wilton  
Samuel Worthington  
Qinyue Yu  
Sarah Zheng

**Congratulations to the Class of 2016 IR Seniors (below) who successfully completed a Senior Honors Thesis!**

**Rebecca Cooley**  
International Relations & Political Science  
*The Swinging Pendulum of History: Politics, Pedagogy, and Unconsolidated Memory in Nicaragua*

**Joseph Leone**  
International Relations  
*Dynamic Consociationalism: Integrative Lessons for a Unified Israel-Palestine*

**Kyle Daniels**  
International Relations & Community Health  
*The Impact of Menstruation on the Well-Being of Adolescent Girls in rural Tamil Nadu*

**Kristen Lueck**  
International Relations  
*Demand for clean water in rural Haiti: a randomized controlled trial on the impact of bucket pricing on willingness to pay for household water treatment*

**Roland Gillah**  
International Relations  
*Quitting Violent Extremism: Motivations for Disengagement*

**Samira Manzur**  
International Relations  
*The Rana Plaza Tragedy: A game changer, or business as usual?*

**Gabriel Rondon Ichikawa**  
International Relations & Economics  
*Is Wage Theft Worth it? An analysis of the profitability of wage theft and the role of reciprocity in the factory-worker relationship in Vietnamese apparel factories*

**Gabriel Rondon Ichikawa**  
International Relations & Economics  
*Women's Empowerment and Mental Health: evidence from a multi-country study and randomized control trial*

**Adrienne Larson**  
International Relations & Community Health  
*Heirs to a Broken Kingdom: Should Afghanistan Attempt Social Construction Through Transitional Justice?*

**Abuzar Royesh**  
International Relations  
*Covert Regime Change Operations: Success and the Support of Elites in Targeted Countries*

**IR Major Awards: Distinguished Achievement Award in International Relations**

**Congrats to this year’s winners! Abuzar Royesh and Emily Schacter**

The Distinguished Achievement Award in International Relations is given annually to one or more outstanding international relations majors of high academic standing. The recipient will have participated widely in the program and displayed a deep understanding of and sensitivity to the richness of the international community.
2015-2016 Scholarships, Prizes, and Awards

2015-2016 IR Research Scholarship and Prize Winners

Anne E. Borghesani Memorial Prize
Mia Ellis, A18
Research Topic: Entrepreneurship and the Informal Sector in Tanzania (Dar es Salaam, Tanzania)

Ariel Gizzi, A18
Research Topic: Department of State Internship (Rome, Italy)

Robert Hrabchak, A18
Research Topic: Haughton-Mars Project Research Station (Nunavut, Arctic Canada)

Rachel Martel, A17
Research Topic: Predictors of Urogenital Schistosomiasis Knowledge Among Schoolchildren (Eastern Region, Ghana)

Nicholas Roberts, A17
Research Topic: Project with PHASE Nepal (Nepal)

Katherine Saviano, A17
Research Topic: Internship with Refugees (Amman, Jordan)

IR Research Scholars
Ariel Barbieri-Aghib, A18
Research Topic: Quechua and Aymara in the Peruvian Educational and Political Landscape (Peru)

Clara Belk, A18
Research Topic: A Case Study of Qatar and Al-Jazeera (Medford, MA)

Mia Kazman, A18
Research Topic: Women in Latin America (Medford, MA)

Funded by the Aidekman Endowment
Brian McGough, A17
Research Topic: Family Universalized Feminisms (Matagalpa, Nicaragua)

Funded by the IR Program
Courtne Phillip, A17
Research Topic: ChildAccra and Marie Stopes International Accra Research Internship (Accra, Ghana)

2016 Tufts University General Awards
IR Major Recipients

Erik T. Anderson, A16
Frederic J. Shepler Memorial Prize in French

Yasmin M. Badr, A16
Audrey L. Hale Award

Catherine A. Caffey, A16
Chinese Program Alumni Prize

Rebecca I. Cooley, A16
Charles F. Seymour, Jr. Prize

Claire C. Forgan, A16
Frederic J. Shepler Memorial Prize in French

Hannah C. Gersten, A16
Frederic J. Shepler Memorial Prize in French

James C. Golden, A16
Tufts University Alumni Association Award

Christopher M. Jarmas, A16
Russian Prize

Robert W. Korycinski, A16
Constantine Ghikas Prize in Romance Languages

Ethan C. Krauss, A16
Russian Prize

Sophia C. Lloyd-Thomas, A19
Tisch Library Undergraduate Research Award

Margot H. Rashba, A18
Albert H. Imlah European History Prize

Ella M. Rivas-Chacon, A16
Frederic J. Shepler Memorial Prize in French

Abuzar Royesh, A16
Prize Scholarship of the Class of 1882

Sharad V. Sagar, A16
Wendell Phillips Memorial Scholarship

Emily A. Schacter, A16
Laminan Prize in Romance Languages

Claire O. Sleigh, A16
Marion Ricker Houston Prize Scholarship in Economics

WoongJee Song, A16
Chinese Language & Literature Prize

Mengqi Sun, A16
Class of 1911 Prize Scholarship

Other Prestigious Scholarships and Awards
IR Major Recipients

Fulbright Scholarship
Rebecca Cooley, A16
IR Class of 2016 in Numbers

Total # of IR seniors graduating (Feb/May) = 168
Total # of double majors = 95
Number of IR seniors nominated for magna or summa honors = 77

Thematic Concentration breakdown for the Class of 2016

| TC1A Europe and the Former Soviet Union = 19 | TC2D International Economics: Development = 15 |
| TC1B East and Southeast Asia = 13 | TC3 Global Health, Nutrition, and the Environment = 23 |
| TC1C Africa = 1 | TC4 International Security = 39 |
| TC1D Middle East and South Asia = 11 | TC5 The United States in World Affairs = 4 |
| TC1E Latin America = 5 | TC6A Ideas and Identity in IR: Ideologies = 4 |
| TC2A International Economics: Trade = 8 | TC6B Ideas and Identity in IR: Empires/Colonialism/Globalization = 1 |
| TC2B International Economics: Finance = 22 |
| TC2C International Economics: Environment = 3 |

Tips from the IR Office

Planning on studying abroad this summer or next year?

Find out all you need to know about the transfer of credit process (for both Tufts and the IR Program) by visiting the following link:  http://ase.tufts.edu/ir/abroad.htm.

4 Important Things to Keep in Mind:

1. The transfer credit process should be completed BEFORE you leave to study abroad. Follow the steps at the above-mentioned web link to secure pre-approval for the courses taken on any foreign study program (Tufts and Non-Tufts programs).

2. Courses taken at Tufts and Non-Tufts Programs must be approved by the IR Program in order to be used to fulfill IR requirements!

3. The IR transfer of credit limit is as follows: 3 courses from abroad are permitted towards the core/thematic concentration requirements (note: only 1 of which can count towards the core) and an unlimited # of courses are permitted for the language requirement.

4. Visit the Tufts International Travel Safety link below for important info on staying safe while studying abroad:  http://finance.tufts.edu/risk-ins/international-travel/

Questions: Contact Cristina Logg (Cristina.logg@tufts.edu) and Elizabeth Gottlieb (Elizabeth.gottlieb@tufts.edu) - please copy both on all e-mails.

ANYONE considering a senior honors thesis should visit the following links for important guidelines and suggestions.

http://ase.tufts.edu/ir/researchOppThesis-Directed.htm#honorsthesis—info from the IR Program website

http://uss.tufts.edu/arc/writingresources/thesis.asp—info from the Tufts Academic Resource Center

http://uss.tufts.edu/undergradEducation/research/undergradResearchFund.asp—info about potential Tufts funding
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The IR News & Views newsletter highlights events and people in the Tufts IR community. The publication appears twice a semester and welcomes feedback and submissions from students and faculty.

Wishing everyone a relaxing summer break!