



# An Overview of the IR Major

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## I. Core Requirements (5 courses)

1. Introduction to the Politics of International Relations (PS 61)
2. Principles of Economics (EC 5)
3. International Economics (*one course from approved list*)
4. The Historical Dimension (*one course from approved list*)
5. Theories of Society and Culture (*one course from approved list*)

## II. Thematic Concentration Requirement (7 courses)

(Choose *one* concentration from the list below)

1. Regional and Comparative Analysis (*choose one sub-concentration*)
  - 1a. Europe and the Former Soviet Union
  - 1b. East and Southeast Asia
  - 1c. Africa
  - 1d. Middle East and South Asia
  - 1e. Latin America
2. International Economics (*choose one sub-concentration*)
  - 2a. Trade
  - 2b. Finance
  - 2c. Environment
  - 2d. Development
3. Global Health, Nutrition, and the Environment
4. International Security
5. The United States in World Affairs
6. Ideas and Identity in International Relations
  - 6a. Ideologies
  - 6b. Empires/Colonialism/Globalization

## III. Language Requirement (8 semesters or equivalent)

IR Majors must display oral and written proficiency in a foreign language, defined as completion of eight semesters (or the equivalent) of a university-level foreign language study.

### PLEASE NOTE:

- Within a chosen concentration, students must meet specific concentration requirements.
- If a student is exempt from the Tufts six semester language requirement or is a non-native English speaker, it does **NOT** necessarily mean that he/she is exempt from the IR language requirement. For more information on language exemptions, please refer to the IR Handbook or IR web site (<http://ase.tufts.edu/ir>).
- Please see the IR handbook or IR website (<http://ase.tufts.edu>) for approved courses.

**Total # of courses for completion of the IR Major: 12 courses + Language Requirement**