

International Relations Course Offerings and Subfield Requirements

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Core Courses

PLSC 695a/b. International Security. Alexandre Debs. Matthew Fuhrmann.
PLSC 698a/b. International Political Economy. Didac Queralt.

Elective Courses

PLSC 533a. Advanced Models of International Relations. Alexandre Debs.
PLSC 665b. The Politics of International Migration: Integration Prospects and Challenges. Nicholas Sambanis.
PLSC 673a. International Conflict. Michael-David Mangini.
PLSC 677a. New Challenges for International Cooperation: Automation and Climate Change. Carlos-Felipe Balcazar.
PLSC 681. Coercion in the Globalized Economy. Michael-David Mangini.
PLSC 683b. Causal Inference for IR and IPE with Substantive Applications. Carlos-Felipe Balcazar.
PLSC 690a/691b. Identity and Conflict Lab. Nicholas Sambanis.
PLSC 732b. The War in Ukraine. David Cameron.
PLSC 763a/b. State Formation. Didac Queralt

Workshops

PLSC 940a / 941b. International Relations Workshop. Varying Instructors.

Note:

-a courses are offered in the Fall, b courses are offered in the Spring. ab courses are offered in the Fall and Spring. a/b courses are offered in the Fall or Spring.

Subfield Requirements

Students may qualify in International Relations either by exam or coursework.

To qualify in IR by exam, students must first take the two core courses. Other courses are highly recommended.

To qualify in IR by coursework, students must take the two core courses, plus one of the elective courses. Students may take one of those credits via transfer from another institution as approved by the DGS in consultation with the IR field coordinator. (Please note that Grand Strategy, courses in the Global Affairs Master's program, and other non-departmental graduate courses are not acceptable substitutes.) Additionally, students must write an IR-themed paper, in the context of an IR course, that shows a strong command of the substantive and methodological approaches in the field.