



BA in INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (570142) MAP Sheet

International and Area Studies

For students entering the degree program during the 2016–2017 curricular year.

UNIVERSITY CORE AND GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS				PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS (60–86 total hours*)		
UNIVERSITY CORE REQUIREMENTS				No double counting courses within the major unless noted otherwise.		
<u>Requirements</u>	<u>#Classes</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Classes</u>	Complete the following introductory core courses: Econ 110* Economic Principles and Problems 3.0 Geog 120* Geography and World Affairs 3.0 Complete one of the following: Poli 150* Comparative Government & Politics 3.0 Poli 250 Principles of Comparative Politics 3.0 Complete one of the following: Poli 170* Intro to International Politics 3.0 Poli 270 Principles of International Relations 3.0 Complete the following research foundations and methods courses: Poli 200* Political Inquiry 4.0 Math 112* Calculus 1 4.0 And complete one of the following options: Either Econ 378 Statistics for Economists 3.0 Econ 388 Introduction to Econometrics 3.0 (Can double count for an elective under specialization B and G) Or Poli 328 Statistical Analysis 4.0 Complete the following: Econ 380 Intermediate Price Theory 1 3.0 Econ 381 Intermediate Macroeconomics 3.0 Complete one course from the following: Econ 431 Economic Development 3.0 Econ 432 Economic Growth 3.0 Econ 458 International Trade Theory & Applications 3.0 Econ 459 International Monetary Theory 3.0 Complete one course from the following: Hist 393 U.S. Foreign Relations 3.0 Poli 376 U.S. Foreign Policy 3.0 Or one comparative politics course (from list below) Complete one of the following international relations courses: Poli 372 International Political Economy 3.0 Poli 373 International Law 3.0 Poli 375 International Organizations 3.0 Poli 376 U.S. Foreign Policy 3.0 Poli 377 National Security Affairs 3.0 Poli 378 International Conflict 3.0 Poli 473 Human Rights 3.0 Complete one of the following comparative politics courses: Poli 341 Western European Politics 3.0 Poli 343 Designing Democracies & Dictatorships 3.0 Poli 344 Comparative Political Economy 3.0 Poli 347 Russia/Former Soviet Politics 3.0 Poli 348 Government & Politics of Asia 3.0		
Religion Cornerstones				Achieve proficiency in a foreign language: 3.0–27.0 Students are to complete courses for one language to a specified level with all attendant prerequisites. Some courses may be waived depending upon previous language training. The specific requirements for each language are listed on a separate sheet available from the IAS Advisement Office or the International Relations coordinator. This requirement is waived for International students for whom English is a second language.		
Teachings and Doctrine, Book of Mormon	1	2.0	Rel A 275	Specializations: Complete one of the following tracks (<u>no double counting of major courses allowed</u>): A. International Politics 12.0 Complete four courses from the following. At least one course must be from history and at least one course from political science. Anthr 432 Comms 381, 382 Geog 341 Hist 293, 307, 376, 391, 393 Poli 371, 373, 374, 375, 377, 378, 382, 472, 473, 475, 476 B. Political Economy 12.0 Complete four courses from at least two disciplines. At least two courses must be from economics. Econ 382, 388, 431, 432, 458, 459, 478 Poli 343, 344, 372, 444 Note: Completion of the Econ 378/388 sequence for the statistics requirement above will also count as fulfillment of one course in this track.		
Jesus Christ & the Everlasting Gospel	1	2.0	Rel A 250			
Foundations of the Restoration	1	2.0	Rel C 225	C. Asian Politics and History Complete four courses from the following. At least one course must be from political science and one course from history. Anthr 348 Geog 272, 273 Hist 231, 337, 338, 341, 344, 348 Poli 346, 348, 353, 354, 385, 386, 388 D. Latin American Politics and History 12.0 Complete four courses from the following. At least one course must be from political science and one course from history. Geog 255 Hist 252, 326, 355, 356, 358 Poli 358, 380 (continued on back page)		
The Eternal Family	1	2.0	Rel C 200			
The Individual and Society						
Citizenship						
American Heritage	1–2	3–6.0	Econ 110* & Poli 110 recommended			
Global & Cultural Awareness	1	3.0	Geog 120*, Poli 150* or 170*			
Skills						
Effective Communication						
First-Year Writing	1	3.0	Wrtg 150 recommended			
Adv Written & Oral Communication	2	7.0	Poli 200* and Mesa 495* or Poli 450* or 470* recom.			
Quantitative Reasoning	1	4.0	Math 112*			
Languages of Learning (Math or Language)	1	4.0	Math 112*			
Arts, Letters, and Sciences						
Civilization 1 and 2	2	6.0	Poli 201 or Hist 201 and Poli 202 recomm.			
Arts	1	3.0	from approved list			
Letters	1	3.0	Poli 202 recommended			
Scientific Principles & Reasoning						
Biological Science	1–2	3–5.0	Bio 100 recommended			
Physical Science	1–2	3–7.0	Phy S 100 recommended			
Social Science	1	3.0	Econ 110*			
Core Enrichment: Electives						
Religion Electives	3–4	6.0	Rel C 351 recomm.			
Open Electives	Variable	Variable	personal choice			
GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:						
Minimum residence hours required		30.0				
Minimum hours needed to graduate		120.0				
FOR UNIVERSITY CORE AND PROGRAM QUESTIONS CONTACT THE ADVISEMENT CENTER						
*These classes may fill both University Core and program requirements (14–20 hours overlap)						

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E. *Middle Eastern Politics and History* 12.0
Complete four courses from at least two disciplines. At least one course must be from history.
Anthr 340
Geog 271
Hist 240, 241, 244
MESA 350
Poli 357, 381, 452, 474

(Note: Hist 242 and 243 do not substitute here.)

F. *European Politics and History* 12.0
Complete four courses from the following. At least one course must be from political science and one course from history.
Geog 260, 265
Hist 307, 309, 310, 312, 318, 323, 324*, 325, 327, 328, 331, 332
Poli 341, 347, 351

G. *Economic and Political Development* 12.0
Complete the following:
Econ 431 3.0

(Note: This course cannot be double-counted for the 400-level economics course in the core. Econ 388 is the preferred route to fill the stats prereq for this course.)

Complete three courses from the following, of which one course must be from political science:
Econ 388, 432, 440, 458, 459
Geog 255, 271, 272, 273, 285
Poli 346, 348, 352, 357, 358, 444, 452, 472

Note: Completion of the Econ 378/388 sequence for the statistics requirement above will also count as fulfillment of one course in this track.

H. *African Politics and History* 12.0
Complete four courses from the following.
Anthr 330
EdLF 362
Geog 285
Hist 261, 336, 339, 366
Poli 352

Note: With the prior approval of the IR coordinator, a maximum of 3 hours of IR 398R, 399R, or IAS 351R may be used toward meeting the four-course requirement of specialization. Only the second semester of IAS 351R would be allowed.

Note: Students are encouraged to complete an average of 15 credit hours each semester or 30 credit hours each year, which could include spring and/or summer terms. Taking fewer credits substantially increases the cost and the number of semesters to graduate.

Complete a capstone research experience:

Asian 495 Senior Seminar 1.0
Lt Am 495 Sr Seminar in Lt Am Studies 3.0
MESA 495* Sr Seminar in Middle East Studies 3.0
Poli 450* Rsrch Proj. in Comparative Politics 3.0
Poli 470* Rsrch Proj. in Internat'l Relations 3.0

Note 1: Only Mesa 495, Poli 450, or Poli 470 can fill the GE Advanced Written and Oral Communication requirement coupled with Poli 200.

Note 2: Students majoring in international relations may not double major or minor with either economics or political science due to the amount of overlap in courses between IR and those majors.

Suggested Sequence of Courses:

FRESHMAN YEAR

1st Semester

First-year Writing 3.0
or Poli 110 or A Htg 100 (3.0)
Math 112 4.0
Poli 150 or 250 3.0
Religion Cornerstone course 2.0
General electives 3.0
Total Hours 15.0

2nd Semester

First-year Writing 3.0
or Poli 110 or A Htg 100 (3.0)
Econ 110 3.0
Geog 120 3.0
Poli 170 or 270 3.0
Religion Cornerstone course 2.0
Total Hours 14.0

SOPHOMORE YEAR

3rd Semester

Hist 201 or Poli 201 3.0
Biological or Physical Science elective 3.0
Poli 200 4.0
Religion Cornerstone course 2.0
Foreign Language class (if needed) 4.0
Total Hours 16.0

4th Semester

Econ 378 or Poli 328 3–4.0
International Relations elective 3.0
Poli 202 3.0
Foreign Language class (if needed) 4.0
Religion elective 2.0
Total Hours 15–16.0

JUNIOR YEAR

5th Semester

Econ 380 3.0
Comparative politics elective 3.0
Specialization elective or Econ 388 3.0
Foreign Language class (if needed) 4.0
Religion Cornerstone course 2.0
Total Hours 15.0

6th Semester

Econ 381 3.0
Specialization elective 3.0
Foreign Language class (if needed) 4.0
Research experience 3.0
Religion elective 2.0
Total Hours 15.0

SENIOR YEAR

7th Semester

Econ 431, 432, 458 or 459 3.0
Major Language requirement 4.0
Religion elective 2.0
Specialization elective 3.0
Biological or Physical Science elective 3.0
Total Hours 15.0

8th Semester

Adv. Written & Oral Communications (if needed) 3.0
Specialization elective 3.0
Poli 376, Hist 393, or Comp. Poli 3.0
Arts elective 3.0
General electives 3.0
Total Hours 15.0

Discipline:

International Relations is an interdisciplinary major emphasizing the systematic study of political and economic relations between governments and people in different states, as well as comparisons across different political and economic systems. International relations students must also understand the historical and geographic basis for current international relationships.

Career Opportunities:

The international relations major gives students a strong liberal arts education in multiple areas along with useful technical skills. In addition to substantive knowledge, IR students will learn analytical concepts and ideas that allow them to organize, explain, and make sense of relations between states and comparisons among them. Students will achieve high proficiency in math and statistics, writing and foreign language. They will be prepared for a wide variety of career paths—including, but not limited to, government, law, business, and international organizations. Students should also remember that many of those career paths will require graduate-level training. As such, the IR degree should be seen as certifying fluency in the ideas and methods of multiple fields so that students can pursue their own specialized interests, rather than as a terminal degree.

It is important to distinguish international relations as a field from a more general definition of “international,” which might include anything (people, language, culture, traditions, etc.) beyond the territorial boundaries of the United States. For many students interested in the broad study of anything international and foreign, BYU’s IR degree will not provide the best training. In fact, no reasonable degree can include the systematic study of everything international and foreign. It should be remembered that BYU students have a wealth of options to pursue their particular international and foreign interests. These include:

- Social science majors with a strong international component, such as economics, geography, history, or political science.
- Area studies majors, including Asian, European, Latin American, and Middle East studies.
- Language majors.
- Other majors combined with a minor in one of the above areas.

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