



PennState
College of the Liberal Arts

International Politics

National Security Concentration (Revised Fall 2013)

The International Politics major provides students with a broad, comprehensive education in international relations, foreign policy, and the politics of other nations. Majors take courses in international and comparative politics, as well as in economics, geography, and history.

In addition to General Educations and Bachelor of Arts Degree requirements, you will need to meet the following department requirements with a grade of “C” or better to graduate with a major in International Politics.

Note: Courses transferred from your study abroad experience may possibly be used as support in your major. The course should focus on International Relations or Comparative Politics and be consider at the 400 level. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Undergraduate Advisors in the department.

The Department of Political Science
<http://polisci.la.psu.edu>



International Politics Core Courses	National Security Option Courses	National Security Supporting Courses	General Education Requirements	Bachelor of Arts Requirements
<p><u>Foundational Courses</u> (Take all of the following)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> PLSC 014(U)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> PLSC 001(H) or PLSC 007</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> PLSC 003(U) or 020 or 022</p> <p><u>Advanced International Relations Courses</u> (Choose 6 cr. from PLSC 412, 418, 439, or 442)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> PLSC 4_____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> PLSC 4_____</p>	<p><u>National Security Courses</u> (Take all of the following)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> CRIM 406</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> SRA 111</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> SRA 211</p> <p>History, Economics, or Geography (Choose 3 cr.)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> HIST 120, 142, 143, 144, 173, 175, 179, 181, 192, 320, 420, 423, 427, 430, 431, 432, 434, 435, 446, 447, 452, 454, 460, 467, 468, 473, 479, 481, 486</p> <p>OR</p> <p>ECON 102, 104, 333</p> <p>OR</p> <p>IB 303</p> <p>OR</p> <p>GEOG 123, 124, 128, 364, 424, 428, 430, 431, 438, 444, 463, 464, 468, 475</p>	<p><u>Supporting Courses</u> Choose 12 cr. from PLSC 404, 408, 409, 410, 411W, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 418(W), 420, 422, 423, 424, 428, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435(W), 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 446, 450H, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465Y, 466, 467, 469, 481, 484W, 486, 487, or 488, 497(if International, Comparative or Theory/ Methodology Distribution)</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Select up to 12 credits of foreign language courses (9 of the 12 credits in foreign language courses must be at the 400-level)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> PLSC 4_____</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Foreign language (1-400 level) _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> PLSC 4_____</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Foreign language (400 level) _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> PLSC 4_____</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Foreign language (400 level) _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> PLSC 4_____</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Foreign language (400 level) _____</p>	<p><u>Writing/Speaking Skills (GWS)</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> ENGL 15 or 30</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> CAS 100</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> ENGL 202</p> <p><u>Quantification (GQ)</u> (6 credits)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> _____</p> <p><u>Natural Sciences (GN)</u> (9 credits)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> _____</p> <p><u>Arts (GA)</u> (6 credits)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> _____</p> <p><u>Humanities (GH)</u> (6 credits)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> _____</p> <p><u>Social and Behavior Sciences (GS)</u> (6 credits)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> _____</p> <p><u>Health and Physical Activity (GHA)</u> (3 credits)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> _____</p>	<p><u>Foreign Language Requirement</u> (Student must attain 12th credit level of proficiency in one foreign language. Select 0-12 credits, depending on placement)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> _____ 003</p> <p><u>B.A. Knowledge Domains</u> (9 additional credits in GH, GS, GA, GN, GQ, or Foreign Language)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> _____</p> <p><u>Other Cultures</u> (May double count with major, minor, elective, or General Education requirements, except US/IL requirement)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> _____</p>

Total Credits: 123

Additional University requirements: Students must also complete one course from each: US Cultures, Writing Across the Curriculum, First Year Seminar, and International Cultures. *

*May double count to meet Gen Ed, major, B.A. Requirement, or as an elective.