

International Relations (Four-Year and Honours, F2026)

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Student ID: _____

Students should keep this checklist of courses throughout their time in the International Relations (IR) program and consult it with their academic counselor before registering for courses each semester. While this form is **not a substitute for the official degree audit from the Registrar's office**, it should help students plan their academic schedule and stay on track within the program. The program requirements and options listed below are current for **students entering in the Fall 2026 semester**. Students who started IR before Fall 2026 should consult the academic advisor in Political Science or consider switching to the most recent calendar. Check UWinsite, the official program requirements on the Registrar website, and with the Political Science academic counselor for your specific requirements.

Please note: No more than fourteen 1000 level courses may count as credits toward your degree.

(a) The following eight (8) courses:

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| ☐ POLS-1000 Intro to Canadian Government | ☐ POLS-2750 Intro to Research Methods |
| ☐ POLS-1300 Comp Politics in a Changing World | ☐ POLS-3540 Pol Problems of Economic Dev OR |
| ☐ POLS-1600 Intro to International Relations | POLS-3550 Political Economy of Int'l Trade |
| ☐ POLS-2640 Intro to Foreign Policy and | ☐ POLS-3600 Int'l Conflict & its Resolution |
| Diplomacy OR POLS-2670 Strategic Studies | ☐ POLS-4610 Int'l Relations Seminar: Th & Prac |

(b) Two (2) of the following courses:

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| ☐ HIST-1230 World in 20 th Century, 1914-45 | ☐ HIST-1240 World in 20th Century, 1945-Pres |
| ☐ POLS-2340 The Making of the Global World | |

(c) One (1) of the following courses:

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| ☐ POLS-2510 Classical Political Thought | ☐ POLS-2520 Modern Political Thought |
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(d) Four (4) of the following courses:

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| ☐ POLS-2065 The Post-Comm Transformations | ☐ POLS-2490 Political Economy of Agric & Food |
| ☐ POLS-2300 Space, Place, and Scale | ☐ POLS-2600 Politics, History & Asian Religions |
| ☐ POLS-2320 Gov't and Politics of the US | ☐ POLS-2610 Politics, History & Western Rlgs |
| ☐ POLS-2330 Politics of the Developing World | ☐ POLS-2640 Intro to Foreign Policy and |
| ☐ POLS-2340 The Making of the Global World
(if not taken under requirements for (b)) | Diplomacy OR POLS-2670 Strategic Studies
(one can be used in section a and one in
section d) |
| ☐ POLS-2350 Gov't and Politics in Middle East | ☐ POLS-2680 International Organizations |
| ☐ POLS-2410 Contemporary African Politics | |
| ☐ POLS-2440 Gov't and Politics in Europe | |

(e) Two (2) of the following courses:

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| ☐ POLS-3350 Political Geography | ☐ POLS-3620/PHIL-3230 Human Rghts/Glob
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| ☐ POLS-3460 Asian Government and Politics | ☐ POLS-3630 Principles of International Law |
| ☐ POLS-3540 Pol Problems of Econ Dev OR
POLS-3550 Pol Econ of Int'l Trade (one can be
used in section a and one in section e) | ☐ POLS-3670 Politics of the European Union |
| ☐ POLS-3560 Theories of Int'l Political Economy | ☐ POLS-3650 Middle East in Int'l Relations |
| ☐ POLS-3610 US Foreign Policy | ☐ POLS-3720 Relig Fundamentalism & Politics |

(f) One (1) of the following courses:

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| ☐ POLS-4310 Seminar in Comparative Politics | ☐ POLS-4430 Collective Action/Cont Pol |
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| ☐ POLS-4340 Seminar in Politics of the US | ☐ POLS-4450 Today's Totalitarian Trends |
| ☐ POLS-4410 New Scramble for African Rsrcs | ☐ POLS-4640 International Political Economy |
| ☐ POLS-4420 Pol & Security in Russia/Eurasia | ☐ POLS-4650 Seminar in Globalization |
| ☐ POLS-4950 Cdn Foreign Policy and Diplomacy | ☐ POLS-4960 Adv Topics in Int'l Security |

(g) The following two (2) courses:

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| ☐ ECON-1100 Introduction to Economics I OR | ☐ ECON-1110 Introduction to Economics II OR |
| ECON-2000 Life Choices and Economics I | ECON-2010 Life Choices and Economics II |

Students pursuing an Economics Minor for requirement (k) may take two additional elective courses under requirement (l) below, as both ECON-1100 and ECON-1110 are required for the Economics Minor.

(h) The following course:

- ☐ **ENGL-1010** Academic Writing

Please note that students with 80% or higher in Grade 12 ENG4U (or equivalent) are exempt from this course requirement and may substitute it with an additional course from any area of study.

(i) One (1) course with Indigenous content, perspectives, or materials from the following list:

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| ☐ GART-1210/SOSC-1210 An Intro Indig Topics | ☐ PHIL-2300 Indig Phil of the Americas |
| ☐ ENGL-2320 Indigenous Literatures | ☐ POLS-2000 Indig Policy & Const Relationships |
| ☐ HIST-2460 Aborig Ppls in Cdn Hist to 1850 | ☐ POLS-3000 Indig Treaties & Land Claims |
| ☐ HIST-2470 Aborig Ppls in Cdn Hist 1850–Pres | ☐ POLS-4000 Indig Nation-Building |
| ☐ PHIL-1350 Cult/Health/Just on Turtle Island | ☐ WGST-2380 Indig Svrgnty, Fem & Recon |

(j) The following course:

- ☐ **SOSC-2500** Basic Quantitative Methods in the Social Sciences

(k) Six (6) courses from one of the following Minors:

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| ☐ Arabic Studies | ☐ Geography | ☐ Philosophy |
| ☐ Business Administration | ☐ History | ☐ Race and Ethnicity Studies |
| ☐ Communication, Media & Film | ☐ Indigenous Studies | ☐ Sociology |
| ☐ Economics | ☐ Jewish Studies | ☐ Women's & Gender Studies |
| ☐ Entrepreneurship | ☐ Latin American Studies | |
| ☐ French Studies | ☐ Modern Languages | |
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Though Minors consist of 6 courses, note that some courses may require prerequisites that are not part of the Minor. Students are strongly encouraged to seek academic guidance from the Political Science undergraduate advisor as well as the academic advisor in the appropriate Department or Faculty.

(l) Eleven (11) courses from any area of study (at least five must be outside of Political Science):

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Total courses: forty

Your **MAJOR GPA** is calculated based on grades in courses in sections (a) through (f), and any other courses taken as part of the major [i.e., any other Political Science course, POLS-xxxx].

Your **CUMULATIVE GPA** is calculated based on grades in all courses taken, sections (a) through (l).