BA in International Relations (570142) MAP Sheet
International and Area Studies, International Relations Program
For students entering the degree program during the 2022-2023 curricular year.

University Core and Graduation Requirements
University Core Requirements:
Requirements#ClassesHoursClasses
Religion Cornerstones
Teachings and Doctrine of The Book of Mormon12.0REL A 275
Jesus Christ and the Everlasting Gospel12.0REL A 250
Foundations of the Restoration12.0REL C 225
The Eternal Family12.0REL C 200
The Individual and Society
American Heritage1-23.0ECON 110 & POLI 110 recommended
Global and Cultural Awareness13.0GEOG 120, POLI 150 or 170
Skills
First Year Writing13.0WRTG 150 recommended
Advanced Written and Oral Communications13.0POLI 200 and POLI 450, 470 or MESA 495
Quantitative Reasoning14.0MATH 112
Languages of Learning (Math or Language)14.0MATH 112
Arts, Letters, and Sciences
Civilization 1113.0POLI 201 or HIST 201 recommended
Civilization 213.0POLI 202 or HIST 202 recommended
Arts13.0from approved list
Letters13.0POLI 202 recommended
Biological Science13-4.0BIO 100 recommended
Physical Science13.0PHY S 100 recommended
Social Science13.0ECON 110
Core Enrichment: Electives
Religion Electives3-46.personal choice
Open ElectivesVariableVariableVariablepersonal choice
Graduation Requirements:
Minimum residence hours required30.0
Minimum hours needed to graduate120.0
Suggested Sequence of Courses
Freshman Year
1st Semester
First-year Writing or POLI 1103.0
ECON 1103.0
POLI 150 or 2503.0
Religion Cornerstone course2.0
General Education courses, and/or general electives3.0
Total Hours14.0
2nd Semester
First-year Writing or POLI 1103.0
MATH 1124.0
GEOG 1203.0
POLI 170 or 2703.0
Religion Cornerstone course2.0
Total Hours 15.0
Sophomore Year
3rd Semester
Civ 13.0
Biological or Physical Science elective 3.0
POLI 2004.0
Religion Cornerstone course 2.0
Foreign Language class (if needed) 4.0
Total Hours 16.0
4th Semester
ECON 378 or POLI 3283-4.0
International Relations elective 3.0
Civ 23.0
Foreign Language Class (if needed) 4.0
Religion elective 2.0
Total Hours 15-16.0
Junior Year
5th Semester
ECON 3803.0
Comparative Politics elective 3.0
Specialization elective 3.0
Foreign Language class (if needed) 4.0
Religion Cornerstone course 2.0
Total Hours 15.0
6th Semester
ECON 3813.0
Specialization elective 3.0
Foreign Language class (if needed) 4.0
ECON 388 (if needed) 3.0
Religion elective 2.0
Total Hours 15.0
Senior Year
7th Semester
ECON 431, 432, 458, or 4593.0
Political Science elective 3.0
Religion elective 2.0
Specialization elective 3.0
Biological or Physical Science elective 3.0
General elective 1.0
Total Hours 15.0
8th Semester
POLI 450 or 4703.0
Specialization elective 3.0
General electives 6.0
Arts elective 3.0
Total Hours 15.0
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.
BA in International Relations (570142) 2022-2023 Program Requirements (60 - 86 Credit Hours)
No double counting of courses within the major will be allowed unless noted otherwise. Students majoring in international relations may not pursue a double major or minor in either economics or political science because of the course overlap between international relations and those majors.

**requirement 1**
Complete 2 courses

*ECON 110 - Economic Principles and Problems 3.0
*GEOG 120 - Geography and World Affairs 3.0

**requirement 2**
Complete 1 course

POLI 150 - Comparative Government and Politics 3.0
POLI 250 - Principles of Comparative Politics 3.0

**requirement 3**
Complete 1 course

POLI 170 - Introduction to International Politics 3.0
POLI 270 - Principles of International Relations 3.0

**requirement 4**
Complete 2 courses

*MATH 112 - Calculus 1 4.0
POLI 200 - Political Inquiry 4.0

**requirement 5**
Complete 1 option

option 5.1 Complete 2 courses

Note: Econ 388 can double count for an elective under specialization B and G.

ECON 378 - Statistics for Economists 3.0
ECON 388 - Introduction to Econometrics 3.0

option 5.2 Complete 1 course

POLI 328 - Statistical Analysis 4.0

**requirement 6**
Complete 2 courses

ECON 380 - Intermediate Microeconomic Theory 1 3.0
ECON 381 - Intermediate Macroeconomics 3.0

**requirement 7**
Complete 1 course

ECON 431 - Economic Development 3.0
ECON 432 - Economic Growth 3.0
ECON 458 - International Trade Theory and Applications 3.0
ECON 459 - International Monetary Theory 3.0

**requirement 8**
Complete 2 courses

HIST 393 - U.S. Foreign Relations 3.0
POLI 341 - European Politics 3.0
POLI 343 - Designing Democracy: Constitutional Design for Democratic Governance 3.0
POLI 344 - Comparative Political Economy 3.0
POLI 347 - Russia/Former Soviet Politics 3.0
POLI 348 - Government and Politics of Asia 3.0
POLI 352 - African Politics 3.0
POLI 353 - China: Government and Politics 3.0
POLI 354 - Japan: Government and Politics 3.0
POLI 357 - Middle East Politics 3.0
POLI 358 - Latin American Politics 3.0
POLI 376 - U.S. Foreign Policy 3.0
POLI 475 - Civil Wars and Ethnic Violence 3.0

**requirement 9**
Complete 1 course

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

requirement 10 Complete 1 course
Only MESA 495, Poli 450, or Poli 470 can fill the GE Advanced Written and Oral Communication requirement when coupled with Poli 200.

ASI AN 495 - Senior Seminar 1.0
LT AM 495 - Senior Seminar in Latin American Studies 3.0
MESA 495 - Senior Seminar in Middle East Studies 3.0
POLI 450 - Research Project in Comparative Politics 3.0
POLI 470 - Research Project in International Relations 3.0

requirement 11 Complete 1 course
Achieve proficiency in a foreign language. Students must complete courses for one language to a specified level. Some prerequisite courses may be waived with equivalent language experience. The foreign language requirement is waived for international students for whom English is their second language. Students can also receive credit for many less commonly taught languages (e.g., Tagalog, Thai). Please see the Center for Language Studies website (https://cls.byu.edu/) for information on which languages are offered and when or visit the Kennedy Center Advisement Office.

ARAB 302 - Newspaper Arabic 4.0
BULGN 330 - Cultural History of Bulgaria 3.0
CHIN 302 - Third-Year Mandarin 4.0
CZECH 330 - Cultural History of Czech Republic 3.0
DANSH 340 - Danish Literature 3.0
DUTCH 340 - Introduction to Dutch Literature 3.0
FINN 340 - Finnish Literature 3.0
FREN 321 - Advanced French Part 1 3.0
FREN 340 - Introduction to Literary Analysis 3.0
GERM 302 - Advanced German Language 1 3.0
GERM 330 - Cultural History of German-Speaking Peoples 3.0
GERM 344 - Introduction to Phonetics 3.0
HUNG 330 - Cultural History of Hungary 3.0
ICLND 429 - Old Icelandic Language and Literature 3.0
ITAL 321 - Advanced Language Skills Part 1 3.0
ITAL 340 - Introduction to Italian Literature 3.0
JAPAN 321 - Advanced Japanese 1: Current Events 3.0
KOREA 302 - Third-Year Korean 2 4.0
NORWE 340 - Norwegian Literature 3.0
POLSH 330 - Cultural History of Poland 3.0
PORT 321 - Third-Year Portuguese Reading, Grammar, and Culture 3.0
ROM 340 - Introduction to Romanian Literature and Culture 3.0
RUSS 321 - Third-Year Russian Part 1 3.0
RUSS 330 - Cultural History of Russia 3.0
SPAN 321 - Third-Year Spanish Reading, Grammar, and Culture 3.0
SWED 340 - Swedish Literature 3.0
UKRAI 330 - Cultural History of Ukraine 3.0

requirement 12 Complete 1 option
Specializations: Complete one of the following tracks. Courses above cannot be double counted for specialization unless otherwise noted.

option 12.1 Complete 4 courses
A. International Politics. Complete four courses from the following. At least one course must be from history and at least one course from political science.

ANTHR 432 - Economic and Political Institutions 3.0
COMMS 381 - International Media Systems 3.0
COMMS 382 - Issues in Global Communication 3.0
GEOG 341 - Political Geography 3.0
HIST 293 - World War II in History and Memory 3.0
HIST 307 - Europe Since 1914 3.0
HIST 313 - Strategy in Peace and War 3.0
HIST 376 - U.S. History from 1945 to 2000 3.0
HIST 391 - The Vietnam War 3.0
HIST 393 - U.S. Foreign Relations 3.0
POLI 373 - International Law 3.0
POLI 374 - Ethics and International Affairs 3.0
POLI 375 - International Organizations 3.0
POLI 377 - National Security Affairs 3.0
POLI 378 - International Conflict 3.0
POLI 472 - International Political Economy of Women 3.0
POLI 473 - Human Rights 3.0
POLI 475 - Civil Wars and Ethnic Violence 3.0
POLI 476 - Terrorism 3.0
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option 12.2 Complete 4 courses
B. Political Economy. Complete four courses from at least two disciplines. At least two courses must be from economics. NOTE: Econ 378/388 sequence will be allowed to double count to fulfill one course in this track. Poli 304 may substitute for Econ 478.
ECON 382 - Intermediate Microeconomic Theory 2 3.0
ECON 388 - Introduction to Econometrics 3.0
ECON 431 - Economic Development 3.0
ECON 432 - Economic Growth 3.0
ECON 458 - International Trade Theory and Applications 3.0
ECON 459 - International Monetary Theory 3.0
ECON 478 - Game Theory and Economics 3.0
POLI 343 - Designing Democracy: Constitutional Design for Democratic Governance 3.0
POLI 344 - Comparative Political Economy 3.0
POLI 372 - International Political Economy 3.0
POLI 444 - The Political Economy of Development 3.0

option 12.3 Complete 4 courses
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 - Contemporary Japan 3.0
GEOG 272 - East Asia 3.0
GEOG 273 - Southeast Asia 3.0
HIST 231 - Introduction to East Asian History 3.0
HIST 337 - Pre-modern Korea 3.0
HIST 338 - Modern Korea 3.0
HIST 341 - China Since 1200 3.0
HIST 344 - Modern Japan 3.0
HIST 348 - Modern South East Asia 3.0
POLI 346 - Southeast Asian Politics 3.0
POLI 348 - Government and Politics of Asia 3.0
POLI 353 - China: Government and Politics 3.0
POLI 354 - Japan: Government and Politics 3.0
POLI 385 - International Relations of Asia 3.0
POLI 386 - Japanese Foreign Policy 3.0
POLI 388 - Chinese Foreign Policy 3.0
option 12.4 Complete 4 courses

D. Latin American Politics and History. Complete four courses from the following. At least one course must be from political science and one course from history.

GEOG 255 - Middle and South America 3.0
HIST 252 - Modern Latin America 3.0
HIST 326 - The History of Mexico 3.0
HIST 355 - History of Argentina 3.0
HIST 356 - Brazil 3.0
HIST 358 - Gender and History in Latin America 3.0
POLI 358 - Latin American Politics 3.0
POLI 380 - International Relations of Latin America 3.0

option 12.5 Complete 4 courses

E. Middle Eastern Politics and History. Complete four courses from at least two disciplines. At least one course must be from history. Note: Hist 242 and 243 do not substitute here.

ANTHR 340 - Peoples of the Middle East 3.0
GEOG 271 - Middle East 3.0
HIST 240 - Middle East History to 1800 3.0
HIST 241 - Middle East History from 1800 3.0
HIST 244 - Jewish History: A.D. 70 to the Present 3.0
MESA 350 - Islam in Contemporary Society 3.0
POLI 357 - Middle East Politics 3.0
POLI 381 - International Relations of the Middle East 3.0
POLI 452 - Islam and Politics 3.0
POLI 474 - Arab-Palestinian-Israeli Conflict 3.0

option 12.6 Complete 4 courses

F. European Politics and History. Complete four courses from the following. At least one course must be from political science and one course from history.

GEOG 260 - Europe 3.0
GEOG 265 - Russia and the Former Soviet Union 3.0
HIST 307 - Europe Since 1914 3.0
HIST 309 - European Revolutions Since 1500 3.0
HIST 310 - (Not currently offered)
HIST 312 - History of Ideas 3.0
HIST 318 - European Women's History 3.0
HIST 323 - Modern Britain 3.0
HIST 324 - France 3.0
HIST 325 - Spain 3.0
HIST 327 - Italy in the Modern World Since 1848 3.0
HIST 328 - Modern Germany 3.0
HIST 331 - Soviet Union and Post-Soviet Russia 3.0
HIST 332 - Scandinavian History 3.0
POLI 341 - European Politics 3.0
POLI 347 - Russia/Former Soviet Politics 3.0
POLI 351 - British Government and Politics 3.0

option 12.7 Complete 2 groups

G. Economic and Political Development

group 12.7.1 Complete 1 course

Note: Econ 431 cannot be double-counted for the 400-level economics course in the core in Requirement 7; Econ 388 is the preferred route to fill the
statistics prerequisite for this course. Complete three courses from the following, of which one course must be from political science. NOTE: Econ 378/388 sequence will be allowed to double count to fulfill one course in this track.

ECON 431 - Economic Development 3.0
ECON 388 - Introduction to Econometrics 3.0
ECON 432 - Economic Growth 3.0
ECON 440 - Natural Resources and Environmental Economics 3.0
ECON 458 - International Trade Theory and Applications 3.0
ECON 459 - International Monetary Theory 3.0
GEOG 255 - Middle and South America 3.0
GEOG 271 - Middle East 3.0
GEOG 272 - East Asia 3.0
GEOG 273 - Southeast Asia 3.0
GEOG 285 - Africa South of the Sahara 3.0
POLI 346 - Southeast Asian Politics 3.0
POLI 348 - Government and Politics of Asia 3.0
POLI 352 - African Politics 3.0
POLI 357 - Middle East Politics 3.0
POLI 358 - Latin American Politics 3.0
POLI 387 - International Relations of Developing Countries 3.0
POLI 444 - The Political Economy of Development 3.0
POLI 452 - Islam and Politics 3.0
POLI 472 - International Political Economy of Women 3.0

option 12.8 Complete 4 courses

H. African Politics and History. With the prior approval of the international relations coordinator, a maximum of 3 hours of IAS 399 or IAS 351R may be used toward meeting the four-course requirement of specialization. Only the second semester of IAS 351R would be allowed.

ANTHR 330 - Peoples of Africa 3.0
EDLF 362 - Introduction to International Development Education 3.0
GEOG 285 - Africa South of the Sahara 3.0
HIST 261 - Modern Africa 3.0
HIST 336 - South African Liberation Movements 3.0
HIST 339 - African Social Change 3.0
HIST 366 - Slavery and the Slave Trade in Africa and the Atlantic World 3.0
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THE 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 International Relations 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.

MAP DISCLAIMER
While every reasonable effort is made to ensure accuracy, there are some student populations that could have exceptions to listed requirements. Please refer to the university catalog and your college advisement center/department for complete guidelines.

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