International Relations, B.A.

Academic Plans

Four-Year Graduation Plan

The following checkpoints list the minimum requirements students must complete by certain semesters in order to stay on the University's Four-Year Graduation Plan. Courses in the major are those required to complete the major; they may be offered by departments other than the major department.

Before the third semester begins: POLI:1500 Introduction to International Relations.

Before the fifth semester begins: all core courses and the methods course.

Before the seventh semester begins: at least 12 s.h. in the track and at least 90 s.h. earned toward the degree.

Before the eighth semester begins: all track requirements.

During the eighth semester: enrollment in all remaining coursework in the major, all remaining GE CLAS Core courses, and a sufficient number of semester hours to graduate.

Sample Plan of Study

Sample plans represent one way to complete a program of study. Actual course selection and sequence will vary and should be discussed with an academic advisor. For additional sample plans, see MyUI.

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International Business and Economic Relations Track

Course Title Hours
Academic Career
Any Semester
GE CLAS Core: Sustainability a

First Year
Fall
POLI:1500 Introduction to International Relations 3
ENGL:1200 or RHET:1030 The Interpretation of Literature or Rhetoric 3 - 4
GE CLAS Core: World Languages First Level Proficiency or elective course c 4 - 5
CSI:1600 Success at Iowa 2
Elective course d 3

Hours 15-17

Spring
Major: history core course e 3
RHET:1030 or ENGL:1200 Rhetoric or The Interpretation of Literature 3 - 4
GE CLAS Core: Diversity and Inclusion f 3

Hours 15-17

Second Year
Fall
POLI:2000 or POLI:3000 Designing Political Research or Analyzing Political Data 3
GE CLAS Core: Quantitative or Formal Reasoning f, g 3
GE CLAS Core: World Languages Second Level Proficiency or elective course c 4 - 5
Elective course d 3
Elective course d 2

Hours 15-16

Spring
ECON:1100 Principles of Microeconomics b 4
POLI:3512 International Conflict 3
GE CLAS Core: Natural Sciences with Lab f 4
GE CLAS Core: World Languages Fourth Level Proficiency or elective course c 4 - 5

Hours 15-16

Third Year
Fall
ECON:1200 or GEOG:2910 Principles of Macroeconomics or The Global Economy 3 - 4
POLI:3516 The Politics of International Economics 3
GE CLAS Core: Values and Culture f 3
GE CLAS Core: Natural Sciences without Lab f 3
Elective course d 3

Hours 15-16

Spring
Major: international business and economic relations track course h 3
Major: international business and economic relations track course h 3
GE CLAS Core: Literary, Visual, and Performing Arts f 3
Elective course d 3
Elective course d 3

Hours 15

Fourth Year
Fall
POLI:4802 International Relations Senior Seminar Preparation 1
Major: international business and economic relations track course h 3
Major: international business and economic relations track course h 3
GE CLAS Core: Historical Perspectives f 3
Elective course d 3
Elective course d 2

Hours 15

Spring
POLI:4800 or POLI:4801 Senior Seminar in International Relations or Honors Senior Seminar in International Relations 3
Elective course d 3
Elective course d 3

Hours
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Degree Application: apply on MyUI before deadline (typically in February for spring, September for fall)  

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a Sustainability must be completed by choosing a course that has been approved for Sustainability AND for one of these General Education areas: Natural Sciences; Quantitative and Formal Reasoning; Social Sciences; Historical Perspectives; International and Global Issues; Literary, Visual, and Performing Arts; or Values and Culture.

b Fulfills a major requirement and may fulfill a GE requirement.

c Students who have completed four years of a single language in high school have satisfied the GE CLAS Core World Languages requirement. Enrollment in world languages courses requires a placement exam, unless enrolling in a first-semester-level course.

d Students may use elective courses to earn credit towards the total s.h. required for graduation or to complete a double major, minors, or certificates.

e Refer to the General Catalog for list of approved courses.

f GE CLAS Core courses may be completed in any order unless used as a prerequisite for another course. Students should consult with an advisor about the best sequencing of courses.

g STAT:1010 or STAT:1020 recommended.

h Students complete four approved international business and economic relations track elective courses, including courses from at least two different departments.

i Please see Academic Calendar, Office of the Registrar website for current degree application deadlines. Students should apply for a degree for the session in which all requirements will be met. For any questions on appropriate timing, contact your academic advisor or Graduation Services.