

Student Name: _____

The International Politics Concentration in the Political Science major provides students the opportunity to focus upon courses that have an emphasis on international affairs. The Concentration consists of 39 total credits in PSC. The Concentration does not require any more or less credits than a regular degree in Political Science.

Foundation Courses (15 credits)

Foundation courses should generally be taken in the first or second year

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| <input type="checkbox"/> PSC 101 Introduction to American Politics | <input type="checkbox"/> PSC 349 Political Science Research Methods* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PSC 151 Introduction to Comparative Politics | *PSC 249 Intermediate Writing in Political Science is a pre-requisite for PSC 349 and fulfills the University Studies 1C requirement |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PSC 161 Introduction to International Relations | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PSC 171 Introduction to Political Theory | |

Specialized Courses (21 credits)

Students must complete seven courses above the PSC 100-level, not including PSC 349 and/or PSC 305:

PSC _____	PSC _____	PSC _____	PSC _____
PSC _____	PSC _____	PSC _____	

- A maximum of two of these seven courses can be completed at PSC 200-level (not including PSC 249)
- A minimum of two of these seven courses must be completed at PSC 400-level
- ▶ At least two of these upper levels must be taken in courses focused on international relations. Examples include:

PSC 261 Topics in International Relations	PSC 383 The Politics of Int'l Economic Relations	PSC 386 International Conflict
PSC 284 Model UN	PSC 384 International Law & Organization	PSC 477 Seminar: Topics in International Relations
PSC 381 Topics in International Relations	PSC 385 The Politics of Global Climate Change	PSC 498 Capstone in PSC (eligible topics only)
PSC 382 American Foreign Policy		
- ▶ At least two of these upper levels must be taken in courses focused on comparative/regional politics. Examples include:

PSC 251 Topics in Comparative Politics*	PSC 363 Politics & Gov't of the Middle East	PSC 450 Seminar: Topics in Comparative Politics
PSC 361 Government & Politics of China	PSC 366 Islam & Politics	PSC 498 Capstone in PSC (eligible topics only)
PSC 362 Topics in Comparative Politics	PSC 367 African Politics	

Additional Internship or Study Abroad Requirement

Students must also choose at least one of the following:

- Study abroad -or- An internship that is internationally oriented and fulfills the departmental internship requirement -or- A non-internationally oriented internship that fulfills the departmental internship requirement plus an additional course from either the international or comparative/regional categories

Important Notes about the Additional Internship or Study Abroad Requirement:

- Students who wish to complete an internationally oriented internship must meet with the faculty coordinator of the International Politics Concentration before beginning to search for an internship in order to ensure that the internship will meet the requirements of both the major and the concentration.
- Students in the International Politics Concentration who choose not to undertake an internationally oriented internship must nevertheless fulfill the departmental internship requirement.
- Students who study abroad for four or more weeks may request a waiver of the departmental internship requirement, provided that they take an additional 300+ PSC course in lieu of PSC 305.

Recommended Coursework in Other Departments

Students in the International Politics Concentration are encouraged (but not required) to complete the following courses outside of PSC:

- Coursework required to achieve competence in a foreign language to the third-year level (for example, Spanish 301 and 302)
- ECO 231 Microeconomics and ECO 232 Macroeconomics
- At least one of the following intermediate Economics courses:

ECO 331 Economics of Developing Countries	ECO 371 International Trade
ECO 337 Environmental Economics	ECO 372 International Finance

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University & College Studies Tracking Sheet

College of Arts and Sciences (CAS) B.A. Degree

Note that these requirements apply to new students entering UMassD Fall of 2024 or later.

University Studies Requirements

Choose one course each from approved list at:

<http://www.umassd.edu/generaleducation/universitystudies/approvedcourses/>

Cluster 1 - Foundations for Engagement

	Courses
1A – Critical Writing and Reading I	ENL 101 <input type="checkbox"/>
1B – Critical Writing and Reading II	ENL 102 <input type="checkbox"/>
1C – Intermediate Writing	_____
1D – Mathematics	_____
1E – Foundation for Learning Through Engagement	_____

Cluster 2 – The Natural World

2A – Science of the Natural World	_____ <input type="checkbox"/>
2B – Science in the Engaged Community	_____

Cluster 3 – The Cultural World

3A – Literature	_____ <input type="checkbox"/>
3B – Visual and Performing Arts	_____

Cluster 4 – The Social World

4A – Human Questions and Contexts	_____
4B – The Nature of U.S. Society	_____
4C – The Nature of Global Society	_____

Cluster 5 – The Educated and Engaged Citizen

5A – Capstone Study	_____
5B – Learning Through Engagement	_____

Graduation Checklist:

- 120 Total Credits (40 courses)
- 25% or more of degree credits taken at UMD
- 30 credits in 300+ level courses (w/ 21 @ UMD)
- University Studies requirements met
- College Studies (CAS B.A.) requirements met
- Major requirements met
- GPA 2.00+ overall and minimum major GPA
- No College Studies, University Studies, or major courses taken as pass/fail

Notes:

- Many University Studies courses can be counted for both University Studies and College Studies requirements.
- Some University Studies courses designated “flexible” and can be used to satisfy only one of the several requirements; other courses are “compound” and can satisfy more than one University Studies requirement simultaneously.
- *Interdisciplinary courses(BLS, REL, SUS, WGS) for College Studies should follow the designation of their cross-listing. If they are not cross-listed, BLS, WGS, SUS are Social Science courses. REL is a Humanities. URB and HLT can be used for either, but not both, Social Sciences or Humanities.
- **FLL, POR, WGS, BLS courses that are cross-listed with ENL literature, count as a literature.

College Studies (CAS - B.A.) Requirements

Note: Courses taken for the major cannot be used to fulfill CAS requirements.

CAS/HON/UNV 101

(All CAS majors must pass one of these or obtain a waiver.) _____

Literature (3 Credits in ENL, BLS**,FLL**, POR**,WGS** literature courses. Writing and language courses do not count.) _____

Natural Science (6 Credits in BIO, CHM, MLS, PHY, or NUR) _____ _____

Social Science (9 credits with max 2 courses in same area: AGH*, BLS*, CJS, ECO, HLT*, PAD, POL PSC, PSY, SOA, SUS, URB*, WGS*) _____ _____ _____

Foreign Language (Must complete up to 102 level or equivalent) _____ _____

Humanities (9 credits with max 2 courses in same area: BLS*, ARH, FLL[not lit or language], HLT*, HST, MUS [not applied courses], PHL, POR*[not lit or language], REL*, SUS*, URB* or WGS*) _____ _____ _____

* - Some courses in these areas may be social sciences courses or humanities courses. Please see your advisor or the course descriptions for more information.