

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, CERTIFICATE

(Code 420-602)

The **Certificate in International Affairs** is designed for those students interested in global awareness, cultural and political diversity, and economic globalization. A certificate in International Affairs will indicate that a student has undergraduate level awareness of global concepts, basic issues, terminology, structures, and perspectives. The certificate in International Affairs provides knowledge and skills that will help prepare students for employment in a global political economy, as well as familiarize them with specializations, concepts, jargon, and methods for graduate concentrations in various aspects of world politics.

Currently enrolled degree-seeking students are eligible to complete a certificate in International Affairs. This certificate is not intended for political science comprehensive majors with a world politics emphasis.

| Code | Title | Credits |
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| Students are required to earn a total of 18 credits toward the certificate. | | |
| Required Courses (6 crs) | | |
| POLS 122 | Introduction to World Politics | 3 |
| POLS 335 | International Relations Theory | 3 |
| The remaining twelve credits are to be selected from: | | 12 |
| POLS/LAS 319 | Politics of Latin America | |
| POLS 321 | Politics of the Middle East | |
| POLS 322 | Politics of Russia | |
| POLS 323 | Politics of Eastern Europe | |
| POLS 324 | Politics of Asia | |
| POLS 327 | Politics of Continental Europe | |
| POLS 330 | U.S. Foreign Policy | |
| POLS 331 | International Organization and Law | |
| POLS 332 | International Conflict | |
| POLS 334 | International Political Economy | |
| POLS 336 | Arab-Israeli Conflict | |
| POLS 390 | Culture and Politics | |
| Total Credits | | 18 |

NOTE: Students cannot pursue the Political Science Major and International Affairs Certificate to meet graduation requirements for completing a first and second degree program.

Students are strongly encouraged to take only one course from a geographic or cultural region. All of these courses are regularly offered in the department.

Students seeking a certificate in International Affairs will be assigned an advisor within the Department of Political Science and Criminal Justice.

Program Learning Outcomes

Students completing this program will be expected to meet the following learning outcomes:

- **Communication Skills:** Political Science students will be able to write and speak effectively.

- **Research Skills:** Political Science students will be able to construct research questions and use appropriate sources and methods to answer them.
- **Knowledge of International Relations:** Political Science students will analyze the behavior of international actors and the nature of their interactions.
- **Knowledge of Comparative Politics:** Political Science students will analyze the political systems of states.