

International Relations Major (42-43 credit hours)

The International Relations major is designed to transform students with an interest in or concern for politics into graduates who can understand, evaluate, manage, and shape political events and governmental actions in a manner consistent with a Christian faith perspective. The program involves the systematic study of how political institutions influence the behavior of citizens, leaders, and international actors to achieve public policies that promote justice both nationally and globally. Our program will help you prepare for successful careers in government, politics, law, non-profits, teaching, journalism, business, and more.

Major Requirements:

Foundational Courses (16 credit hours):

- POSC 2020, Introduction to Politics, 3 credit hours (fulfills Civil Discourse & Critical Reasoning)
- POSC 2200, Public Policy, 3 credit hours
- POSC 2400, Political Science Research Methods, 3 credit hours (fulfills Writing Intensive)
- POSC 2580, Principles of Geography, 3 credit hours
- MATH 2120, Introductory Statistics with Applications, 4 credit hours (fulfills Quantitative Reasoning)

Advanced Courses (6 credit hours):

- POSC 3300, International Security, 3 credit hours
- POSC 3510, International Political Economy, 3 credit hours

Modern Foreign Language courses taken at collegiate level (11-12 credit hours) from one of the following options:

- Three from SPAN 2010, 2020, 3010, 3020, 3101, 3102, 3103, 3104, 3110, 3140, 3200, or 3240, courses must be above number used to fulfill the language requirement of the Liberal Arts Curriculum
- Critical language courses taken at institutions or programs approved by the department

Electives (8 credit hours) from:

- BSNS 3120, 4120, 4250
- ECON 3120, 3410
- FLAN 2000, 3400
- HIST 3240, 3250, 3260, 3360, 3370, 3520
- PACT 2300, 3400
- POSC 3212, 3310, 3320, 3330, 3400, 3450, 4820
- RLGN 3020
- RLGN/HIST 3320
- SPAN 3400, 3440

Senior Capstone (1 hour):

- POSC 4930, Senior Seminar, 1 credit hour

NOTE: All students must complete 120 total credit hours to graduate from Anderson University.



International Relations Major 4-Year Recommended Course Sequence

SEMESTER 1	14 Hours	SEMESTER 2	17 Hours
POSC 2020*	3	POSC 2580	3
ENGL 1100/ENGL 1110	4-3	Foreign Language - 1	4
LART 1050	1	ENGL 1120	3
COMM 1000	3	Scientific Ways of Knowing**	4
Foreign Language	4	Aesthetic Ways of Knowing (COMM 2550 recommended)	3

SEMESTER 3	15 Hours	SEMESTER 4	17 Hours
POSC 2400*	3	POSC 2200	3
Foreign Language – 2	4	MATH 2120*	4
BIBL 2000	3	Foreign Language -3	4
Social & Behavioral Ways of Knowing (ECON 2010 recommended)	3	Elective	3
Personal Wellness	2	Civic Ways of Knowing	3

SEMESTER 5	15 Hours	SEMESTER 6	15 Hours
International Relations Elective	3	POSC 3300 or POSC 3510	3
Christian Ways of Knowing (PHIL/RLGN 3250 recommended)	3	International Relations Elective	3
Elective	3	Global/Intercultural Ways of Knowing***	3
Elective	3	Elective	3
Elective	3	Elective	3

SEMESTER 7	15 Hours	SEMESTER 8	16 Hours
International Relations Elective	3	POSC 3300 or POSC 3510	3
Elective	3	POSC 4930	1
Elective	3	Elective	3
Elective	3	Elective	3
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* Fulfills a Liberal Arts requirement

** We recommend either BIOL 2070 in Spring of 1st year or PSYC 3210 in Fall of 2nd year

*** If not fulfilled by a International Relations requirement or elective

Major Course Sequence:

Freshman: POSC 2020 || POSC 2580, Foreign Language -1

Sophomore: POSC 2400, Foreign Language -2 || POSC 2200, MATH 2120, Foreign Language - 3

Junior: International Relations Elective || POSC 3330 or 3510, International Relations Elective

Senior: International Relations Elective || POSC 3300 or 3510, POSC 4930