

INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

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Overview

The International Studies Program offers five (5) majors, leading to a **Bachelor of Arts degree in International Studies (BAIS)**. The majors of the BAIS degree are:

- International Studies (IS)
- International Relations (IREL)
- National Security & Foreign Affairs (NSFA)
- Environment, Development, and Global Economy (EDGE)
- European & Transatlantic Studies (EUTS)

Students pursuing these majors are prepared to continue their studies in graduate or law school or immediately apply their skills and knowledge in various professional settings because of the broad applicability of the range of intellectual perspectives and theoretical traditions they are trained in, the global cultural learning to which they are exposed, the competencies they develop in research, writing, and analytical thinking, and the proficiencies they gain in critical foreign languages. Rooted in a strong liberal arts curriculum, the International Studies Program prepares students to enter careers in government service (Department of State, Department of Defense, Department of Homeland Security, the intelligence community), Foreign Service, think tanks, teaching, journalism, international governmental and non-governmental organizations, and global companies based in Virginia, nationally, and internationally.

Majors

Students may choose to pursue one of the five majors offered by the International Studies Program. In this case, no course can double count within or between International Studies-related majors with the exception of IS 1004 Nations and Nationalities, IS 1034 Introduction to International Studies and Political Science IS 2004 Research and Writing in International Studies, IS 2054 Introduction to World Politics, IS 2064 The Global Economy and World Politics, IS 2084 The Evolution of World Order, IS 3115 Selected World Problems, and IS 3116 Selected World Problems.

All students who wish to obtain a major offered by the International Studies Program must complete:

1. the Core Curriculum requirements of the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences;
2. the Core Curriculum requirements of the Bachelor of Arts in International Studies (BAIS) degree; and
3. a set of major requirements and elective courses associated with each of the five majors.

The *International Studies (IS)* major is the broadest and most interdisciplinary major of the BAIS degree that offers students the opportunity to learn about foreign cultures, religions, languages, economics, and history. The curriculum is highly interdisciplinary in orientation and is designed to introduce students to a wide range of perspectives in understanding international politics, foreign cultures, and global processes. Whether or not students pursue careers directly related to world affairs, the understandings gained in this major provide students

with a broad perspective on the world and the United States' place in it. In addition to major requirements in international studies and political science, students pursuing this major complete a wide range of courses in economics, geography, foreign languages, history, religion and culture, sociology, and other disciplines.

The *International Relations (IREL)* major focuses on the analysis of the political, societal, cultural, ethical, and normative aspects of international relations, as well as offering students a rigorous international and comparative perspective on the contemporary global system. It emphasizes a solid grounding in the methods of analysis used in the social sciences and the field of international relations to help students think critically about international phenomena and analyze the choices and challenges that arise in this arena. It seeks to foster creative thinking about complex global problems and produce competitive graduates and enlightened citizens who possess the necessary knowledge and skills that allow them not only to successfully pursue careers in their chosen field but, most importantly, serve their communities and the nation.

The *National Security and Foreign Affairs (NSFA)* major offers students expertise and understanding of the broad range of threats to national and global security in the 21st century and equips them with the necessary knowledge and skills that allow them to successfully pursue careers in diplomacy and international organizations. The National Security and Foreign Affairs (NSFA) major analyzes the role of diplomacy in the management of world affairs and examines in-depth U.S. grand strategy and foreign policy; the current and future global geopolitical environment that affect the U.S. and its interests; the ends, ways, and means that impact the use of military force; the role and impact of economic power on world affairs; the informational issues that contribute to the holistic implementation of strategy, and counterterrorism and homeland security. It is designed to connect theory and practice thereby providing a hands-on, practical approach to the field that equips students with the tools to analyze threats that challenge U.S. security both at home and abroad.

The *Environment, Development, and Global Economy (EDGE)* major is a successor to the former International Public Policy major. EDGE is designed to help students analyze the choices and challenges that arise in the global economic system and equip them with a better understanding of how states and societies can pursue their economic goals in an environmentally and socially sustainable manner. It emphasizes the role of international organizations in the global economy and in development, as well as help students think critically about globalization and its impact on both developed and developing countries, sustainable development, and the fight against global poverty. Its purpose is to relate theory to practice and provide students with a breadth of knowledge and training in the various facets of sustainable international development and the sub-fields of governance and political economy, environment and development, and international public health. It seeks to prepare students for a fast-growing number and variety of careers in the planning, implementation, and evaluation of development programs, working for governments, international organizations, NGOs, and private companies.

The *European & Transatlantic Studies (EUTS)* major has been designed in response to the growing need for a new generation of scholars and analysts to address issues pertaining to Europe and the relations between the European Union and the United States (transatlantic relations). The purpose of the European & Transatlantic Studies program is to provide its students with the knowledge, skills and competencies necessary to enable them to pursue successful careers both in the public and private sector. Students pursuing a major in European & Transatlantic Studies will examine the historical, political, security, geostrategic,

economic (trade, finance, and business), and societal (ethnic, cultural, and religious) aspects of European and transatlantic affairs. They will also gain competence in at least one foreign language. The study of Europe includes the following sub-regions: Western, Central & Eastern Europe; Russia and Eurasia; the Balkans and the Mediterranean region (North Africa & the Middle East), and the broader transatlantic space (relations between Europe, Africa, North America, and Central & Latin America).

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Major Requirements

The curriculum is designed to provide foundational and development courses, major-specific study, and a capstone experience. Students are introduced to concepts early in the undergraduate career, and the curriculum allows them to build knowledge and skills as they work on increasingly complex tasks. They also develop skills in written, spoken, and visual communication across their studies in the major. At the foundational level, students in every major are required to take the same introductory courses. Then students move into major-relevant specialized courses, and finally join together in the senior year to work on a capstone experience.

Minor Requirements

The International Studies Program offers eight (8) minors, open to all majors at Virginia Tech.

- Minor in Global Engagement (GLBE)
- Minor in International Studies (IS)
- Minor in International Relations (IREL)
- Minor in National Security & Foreign Affairs (NSFA)
- Minor in Global Development and Political Economy (GDPE)
- Minor in European Studies (EUST)
- Minor in European Engagement (EURE)
- Minor in Transatlantic Studies (TRST)

For the 18-hour minor, students enroll in three required courses and choose other three courses from the minor elective list. Please see <http://liberalarts.vt.edu/academics/majors-and-minors/international-studies-major.html> for details.

The minor in *Global Engagement (GLBE)* offers a "hands on" – "minds on" approach to the understanding of global affairs. Adopting an experiential learning approach, this minor seeks to encourage and reward Virginia Tech students who wish to explore and study the "international" through a variety of educational tools, such as study abroad, in-class simulations, participation in various international organizations models (e.s., Model UN, Model NATO, Model OAS), field studies, undergraduate research, internships and externships, and educational programs and engagement opportunities offered by U.S. national federal agencies and other organizations, such as the Department of State (e.s., Diplomacy Lab and Foreign Policy Classroom), the Council of Foreign Relations, and the U.S. Institute for Peace.

The minor in *International Studies (IS)* offers students an interdisciplinary approach to the study of global affairs. The purpose of the program is threefold: first, to supplement the knowledge and skills that students have acquired through their major field of study with knowledge about the global political and economic system and the global forces and processes that shape our daily lives; second, to further students' critical

and analytical skills; and third, to create knowledgeable and enlightened citizens and global leaders.

The minor in *International Relations (IREL)* is designed to offer students a rigorous international and comparative perspective on the contemporary global system. It focuses on the changing political and cultural relations within the international system in the modern era, exploring how global, regional, and domestic factors influence relations between actors on the world stage. Students are equipped with both the foundational skills and specific knowledge necessary to analyze the choices and challenges that arise in this arena. The program seeks to provide a hands-on, practical approach to the field that would equip students with the analytic tools, language expertise, and cross-cultural understanding necessary to pursue successful careers in government, Foreign Service, and international organizations.

The minor in *National Security and Foreign Affairs (NSFA)* analyzes the role of diplomacy in the management of world affairs and provides a hands-on, practical approach to security analysis that would equip students with the tools to analyze threats that challenge US security both at home and abroad. The program seeks to supplement the knowledge and skills that students have acquired through their major field of study with expertise and understanding of the broad range of threats to national and global security in the 21st century, as well as to equip students with the necessary knowledge and skills that would allow them to successfully pursue careers in diplomacy and international organizations.

The minor in *Global Development and Political Economy (GDPE)* is a unique interdisciplinary minor that exposes students to the study of the global political economy, global economic processes, and challenges of sustainable development. It is designed for students who wish to develop the analytical and leadership skills necessary to formulate and advocate policy on key international issues of social and environmental sustainability, the critical analysis of global processes, and issues of global equity and justice. It seeks to provide students with a detailed and systematic understanding of how political institutions, processes, and public policies operate in world affairs. The program brings together the academic study of international relations with theoretical description and analysis of global social and economic processes and formal methods of social and economic analysis. The program seeks to prepare students for a fast-growing number and variety of careers in the planning, implementation, and evaluation of development programs, employment with governments, international organizations, NGOs, and private companies.

The minor in *European Studies (EUST)* seeks to provide students with knowledge, skills and competencies pertaining to European affairs to enable them to pursue successful careers both in the public and private sectors. It focuses on the study of the historical, political, security, geostrategic, economic (trade, finance, and business), and societal (ethnic, cultural, and religious) aspects of European affairs. The study of Europe includes the following sub-regions: Western, Central & Eastern Europe; Russia and Eurasia; the Balkans and the Mediterranean region (North Africa & the Middle East). This minor also focuses on the study of the relations between the European Union and the various world regions, as well as its relations with major great powers (e.s., the United States, Russia, and China) and international organizations (e.s., the United Nations, the World Trade Organization (WTO), and the IMF/World Bank).

The experiential learning minor in *European Engagement (EURE)* offers a "hands on" – "minds on" approach to the understanding of European affairs. It seeks to encourage and reward Virginia Tech students who wish to explore and study European affairs through a variety

of educational tools, such as study abroad, in-class simulations, participation in various European organizations models (e.s., Model NATO, Model European Council, etc.), field studies, undergraduate research, internships and externships, and educational programs and engagement opportunities offered by the European Union and its Diplomatic Delegation in Washington DC, as well as by NATO and the Atlantic Council of the United States.

The minor in *Transatlantic Studies* equips students with knowledge about the political, economic, security, religious, and cultural ties binding European states and the states in the Americas (especially North America) together. Whether individual European countries, individual EU Members States or the European Union as a whole are all seen as the United States' strategic allies or competitors, it is important for students interested in pursuing careers in the Federal Government (especially at the Department of State, the Department of Defense and the Intelligence Community), as well as in the private sector (banking, multinational companies, consulting firms, etc.) to learn about the issues that bound Europe and the United States together.

Satisfactory Progress Toward the Degree

University policy requires that students demonstrate their progress toward the degree by meeting minimum requirements.

To proceed satisfactorily toward a degree, students who pursue the majors in Environment, Development, and Global Economy (EDGE – formerly the major in International Public Policy), International Relations (IREL), International Studies (IS), and National Security & Foreign Affairs (NSFA) must complete IS 1004 Nations and Nationalities, IS 1034 Introduction to International Studies and Political Science, IS 2004 Research and Writing in International Studies, IS 2054 Introduction to World Politics, IS 2064 The Global Economy and World Politics, IS 2084 The Evolution of World Order and Foreign language 2105 & 2106 by the end of the semester in which 60 hours have been attempted; must maintain an overall GPA of at least 2.0 and must maintain an in-major GPA of 2.0.

To proceed satisfactorily toward a degree, students who pursue the major in European & Transatlantic Studies (EUTS) must complete IS 1004 Nations and Nationalities, IS 1024 Comp Gov & Politics, IS 1034 Introduction to International Studies and Political Science, IS 1104 , IS 2004 Research and Writing in International Studies, HIST 1026 Introduction to European History, IS 2084 The Evolution of World Order, HIST 2114 Topics and Critical Issues in European History and Foreign Language 2105 & 2106 by the end of the semester in which 60 hours have been attempted; must maintain an overall GPA of at least 2.0 and must maintain an in major GPA of 2.0.

Students who fall below the standard for either the overall GPA or the in-major GPA will have one semester to regain the required GPA standards. A student who fails to make satisfactory progress toward degree after that semester will be disallowed from continuing in the major.

- Environment, Development, and Global Economy Major (<https://catalog.vt.edu/undergraduate/liberal-arts-human-sciences/international-studies/environment-development-and-global-economy-major/>)
- International Relations Major (<https://catalog.vt.edu/undergraduate/liberal-arts-human-sciences/international-studies/international-relations-ba/>)

- International Studies Major (<https://catalog.vt.edu/undergraduate/liberal-arts-human-sciences/international-studies/international-studies-ba/>)
- National Security & Foreign Affairs Major (<https://catalog.vt.edu/undergraduate/liberal-arts-human-sciences/international-studies/national-security-foreign-affairs-ba/>)

Director of International Studies: Dr. Besnik Pula

First-year and incoming transfer student advisor: Jennifer Hanratty

Sophomore, junior, and senior student advisor: Phoebe Peterson

For a full list of faculty, please see the Department of Political Science (<https://catalog.vt.edu/undergraduate/liberal-arts-human-sciences/political-science/#facultytext>).

Undergraduate Course Descriptions (IS)

IS 1004 - Nations and Nationalities (3 credits)

Introduction to world and American ethnic and indigenous cultures and to social constructions of human and group identity, nationalism and extreme ethno-nationalism. History of the political, economic, and cultural transition from primordial communities to sovereign states. Introduction to the rise of racism, sexism, ethnicism, classism, nativism, xenophobia, etc. in modern societies and episodes of mass political violence including ethnic cleansing and genocide.

Pathway Concept Area(s): 3 Reasoning in Social Sciences, 7 Identity & Equity in U.S., 11 Intercultural&Global Aware.

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 1004

IS 1024 - Comp Gov & Politics (3 credits)

Government and politics of selected countries outside the United States; nature of politics and government, types of political systems, linkages of people and governments, and current political issues.

Pathway Concept Area(s): 3 Reasoning in Social Sciences, 11 Intercultural&Global Aware.

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 1024

IS 1034 - Introduction to International Studies and Political Science (3 credits)

Introduces students to the fields of International Studies and Political Science and their respective subfields. Familiarizes students with the undergraduate programs in International Studies and Political Science and emphasizes student preparation for careers in the respective fields. Focuses on inquiry, problem-solving, integration of ideas and experiences with a focus on International Studies and Political Science. Familiarizes students with the basic principles of the research and writing process.

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 1034

IS 1204 - Topics in Global Dialogues (1 credit)

Examination of the impact of culture in world politics. Topics under examination include: culture and global diversity; culture, identity, and order in world politics; international conflict and intercultural relations. Extensive use of case studies. May be repeated twice with different content for a maximum of three (3) credits.

Instructional Contact Hours: (1 Lec, 1 Crd)

Repeatability: up to 3 credit hours

Course Crosslist: PSCI 1204

IS 2004 - Research and Writing in International Studies (3 credits)

Introduces the research and writing process in the field of International Studies. Addresses topics such as selecting and planning a research project, conceptualizing a research design, gathering and analyzing data, interpreting the results and writing a report. Prioritizes research within a framework of rigorous, well-rounded and thorough practices of research ethics. Emphasizes intercultural and diverse research and practices.

Pathway Concept Area(s): 1A Discourse Advanced, 11 Intercultural&Global Aware.

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

IS 2034 - Geography of Global Conflict (3 credits)

Geographical dimensions of global conflicts, international management of conflicts, conflicts of differences, historical, ideological, failed states and resources will be examined. Background to conflicts, current status of conflicts, different points of view in conflict. Topics in the course will change as the geography of global conflict changes.

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: GEOG 2034, PSCI 2034

IS 2044 - Food, War and Conflict (3 credits)

Explores historical developments in food preservation, processing and distribution relative to the commencement or continuation of conflict. Examines why and how wars have been fought over economic policies, food trade, and control of food supplies. Examines food defense efforts to protect food and water from intentional contamination and acts of terrorism and bioterrorism. Focus on food products and the preservation, processing and distribution technologies that arose from, or enabled, war and conflict.

Pathway Concept Area(s): 3 Reasoning in Social Sciences, 11 Intercultural&Global Aware.

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: FST 2044, PSCI 2044

IS 2054 - Introduction to World Politics (3 credits)

An introduction to the prevalent methods and theories in the study of world politics. Topics include: historical context of contemporary world politics, global actors and power relations, conflict and conflict resolution, international law, and contemporary global issues.

Pathway Concept Area(s): 3 Reasoning in Social Sciences, 11 Intercultural&Global Aware.

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: GEOG 2054, PSCI 2054

IS 2064 - The Global Economy and World Politics (3 credits)

Introduction to theories and methods in the study of global political economy. Topics include: historical origins, comparative advantage, the factor endowment trade theory, the gold standard, economic nationalism, the Great Depression, the Bretton Woods System, Keynesianism, the Nixon shocks, international organizations, monetary governance, the Great Recession, poverty and underdevelopment, and contemporary challenges of income inequality within and among economies.

Pathway Concept Area(s): 3 Reasoning in Social Sciences, 11 Intercultural&Global Aware.

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: GEOG 2064, PSCI 2064

IS 2084 - The Evolution of World Order (3 credits)

A historical and comparative study of states systems (i.e., ancient, medieval, modern, and contemporary states system). Emphasis on the globalization of the European states system, its various aspects (political, economic, cultural, religious, civilizational, and technological) and its implications for contemporary world order (i.e., the question of human equality and the impact of colonialism and post-colonialism on the question of social, political and economic justice).

Prerequisite(s): IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 2084

IS 2104 - Europe Country Analysis (3 credits)

Examination of the politics, economics, culture, society, population patterns, and history of individual European countries. Impact of individual European states' domestic affairs on their respective European sub-regions and Europe as a whole. Analysis of intra-European regional developments. Examination of differing country perspectives on European integration.

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 2104

IS 2114 - Transatlantic Political Frameworks (3 credits)

Examination of transatlantic political, security and economic institutions, such as the Organization for Economic Cooperation & Development (OECD), the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO), and the Organization for Security & Cooperation in Europe (OSCE). Impact of domestic politics and external policies on the operation of transatlantic institutions and European security. Bilateral political links between European and North America States (i.e., the UK-US- Canada, and France-Canada) and their impact on transatlantic relations and European security.

Prerequisite(s): IS 1114 or PSCI 1114

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 2114

IS 2134 - Geography of the Global Economy (3 credits)

Geographical dimensions of the global economy since World War II. Globalization and the emergence of a new international division of labor. The relative decline of the United States and the growth of Japan, East Asia and the European Union. Changing geographies of foreign direct investment location. Places and regions in geo-economic discourse. Population and resources issues in the early twenty-first century.

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: GEOG 2134, PSCI 2134

IS 2224 - Geography of Europe (3 credits)

Europe: as an idea, as a place, as a space, and as a political entity. Basic knowledge of Europe's historical physical environments, political geography, population distribution, varied cultures, and economic development. Cultural variations and their implications on settlement patterns, political divisions, and economic patterns and processes.

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: GEOG 2224, PSCI 2224

IS 2474 - Religion and Violence (3 credits)

Investigation of the categories of religion and secularity as they apply to war and peace. Analysis of episodes from both past and present in which religion seems to have played a role. Introduction to research skills related to the study of religion and violence, building from theoretical and historical considerations.

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: RLCL 2474

IS 2484 - Religion and Politics (3 credits)

Investigation of religion and politics as distinct categories in different times and places. Analysis of episodes from both past and present in which religion and politics have come together, or have been kept apart. Examination of the roles religion and politics play in the modern world and how they impact the lived experience of diverse populations both in the United States and throughout the world.

Pathway Concept Area(s): 2 Critical Thinking Humanities, 7 Identity & Equity in U.S., 11 Intercultural&Global Aware.

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 2484, RLCL 2484

IS 2964 - Field Study (1-19 credits)

Instructional Contact Hours: Variable credit course

IS 2974 - Independent Study (1-19 credits)

Instructional Contact Hours: Variable credit course

IS 2974H - Independent Study (1-19 credits)

Instructional Contact Hours: Variable credit course

IS 2984 - Special Study (1-19 credits)

Instructional Contact Hours: Variable credit course

IS 3004 - Professionalism and Careers in Political Science and International Studies (3 credits)

Designed to teach students how to synthesize skills and information learned in their Political Science and International Studies classes.

Exploration of various career options, graduate school options, and proper procedures for seeking and applying for employment and graduate school. Introduction to professionalism in the workplace and professional development in the area of political science and international studies. Junior Standing.

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3004

IS 3034 - The CIA: Its Capabilities in Today's Geo-Political World (3 credits)

Role of the discipline of geography in the origins, procedures, and history of CIA. Role of the CIA in providing national intelligence at both strategic and operational levels. Origins and changes to the CIA since WWII. Capabilities to support both policy-makers and national security entities. Case studies illustrating the CIA's operations in different regions of the world.

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: GEOG 3034, PSCI 3034

IS 3044 - The Politics of Internet Governance (3 credits)

Introduces students to theoretical, technological, and policy debates in Internet governance. Topics include multistakeholder governance, cybersecurity and cybercrime, network investigative techniques, data protection, vulnerability disclosure, use of anonymity-granting technologies, network neutrality, virtual currencies, big data, algorithmic bias and decision-making, politics of the domain name system, privacy, free expression, cross-border dispute resolution, data ownership, and challenges to state authority.

Prerequisite(s): PSCI 2054 or IS 2054 or GEOG 2054

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3044

IS 3054 - The Dark Web and Threat Analytics (3 credits)

Introduction to dual-use anonymity-granting technologies such as the Dark Web. Covers open source threat intelligence as a technique to assess trends and trajectories in anonymous online content. Substantive topics include the use of Dark Web technologies for political expression in repressive regimes, anonymity and privacy protection in an age of big data as well as the misuse of these tools for doxing, trolling, and the creation of illegal markets for drugs, guns, malicious software, human trafficking, and child abuse imagery. Junior Standing.

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3054

IS 3064 - Food Politics (3 credits)

Focuses on how scholars, pundits, citizens, and policymakers think about food on local, national, and global scales. Explores various ways of producing, distributing, and consuming food and how they are implicated in specific organizations of power and possibility. Examines how food, and the discourses surrounding food, help structure understandings of a variety of issues, such as identity, property, labor, gender, race, responsibility, and death.

Pathway Concept Area(s): 3 Reasoning in Social Sciences, 11 Intercultural&Global Aware.

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3064

IS 3104 - Security Studies: Theories and Concepts (3 credits)

Introduces the various theoretical approaches to security. Examines key concepts in the field of Security Studies, such as uncertainty, polarity, war, coercion, terrorism, intelligence, genocide, crimes against humanity, ethnic conflict, and human security.

Prerequisite(s): IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3104

IS 3114 - Global Security (3 credits)

Explores various theoretical approaches to security and discusses traditional and non-traditional security issues. Focuses on global, international and regional security challenges and examines alternative strategic and tactical solutions for addressing them.

Prerequisite(s): IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3114

IS 3115 - Selected World Problems (3 credits)

Selected world problems and how they affect various countries and regions. Each semester, a topic will be chosen. 3115: World problems in a global or regional context. 3116: World problems in a European context. 3115 and/or 3116 may be repeated for a combined maximum of 9 credit hours.

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Repeatability: up to 9 credit hours

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3115

IS 3116 - Selected World Problems (3 credits)

Selected world problems and how they affect various countries and regions. Each semester, a topic will be chosen. 3115: World problems in a global or regional context. 3116: World problems in a European context. 3115 and/or 3116 may be repeated for a combined maximum of 9 credit hours.

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Repeatability: up to 9 credit hours

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3116

IS 3125 - Intelligence and National Security (3 credits)

Introduces students to the field of Intelligence Studies. Focuses on the structure, role and capabilities of the U.S. intelligence community and investigates the relationship between intelligence and national security strategy. Addresses topics pertaining to data collection and intelligence analysis, covert operations and counterintelligence. 3125: Intelligence and National Security. 3126: The Intelligence Process.

Prerequisite(s): IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3125

IS 3126 - Intelligence and National Security (3 credits)

Introduces students to the field of Intelligence Studies. Focuses on the structure, role and capabilities of the U.S. intelligence community and investigates the relationship between intelligence and national security strategy. Addresses topics pertaining to data collection and intelligence analysis, covert operations and counterintelligence. 3125: Intelligence and National Security. 3126: The Intelligence Process.

Prerequisite(s): IS 3125 or PSCI 3125

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3126

IS 3134 - Global Conflict and War (3 credits)

Focuses on the causes, legal and moral constraints, impacts, and consequences of conflict and war. Explores historical and contemporary cases of conflict and war and investigates the role of state and non-state actors in these conflicts. Examines the impact of technology, religion, culture and identity on the present and future of war.

Prerequisite(s): IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3134

IS 3135 - Strategies of Modern Warfare (3 credits)

3135: Analyzes the theory and practice of conventional warfare and investigates how strategic thought has influenced and shaped modern warfare. 3136: Examines the theory and practice of irregular warfare and focuses on the theory and practice of counterinsurgency and counterterrorism.

Prerequisite(s): IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3135

IS 3136 - Strategies of Modern Warfare (3 credits)

3135: Analyzes the theory and practice of conventional warfare and investigates how strategic thought has influenced and shaped modern warfare. 3136: Examines the theory and practice of irregular warfare and focuses on the theory and practice of counterinsurgency and counterterrorism.

Prerequisite(s): PSCI 2054 or IS 2054 or GEOG 2054

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3136

IS 3144 - Global Governance and Public Policy (3 credits)

Examines the norms, institutions, practices and processes developed by the international community to address global problems such as poverty, pandemics, global warming, displaced persons and transnational crime. Utilizes theories of decision- and policy-making and investigates the role of states, international governmental and non- governmental organizations, coalitions and corporations in global public policy-making.

Prerequisite(s): (IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054) or (IS 2064 or PSCI 2064 or GEOG 2064)

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3144

IS 3154 - Topics in Global Public Policies (3 credits)

Examines in depth selected global public policies pertaining to health, energy, environment, development, education, refugees or labor. May be repeated with different content for a maximum of nine (9) credits.

Prerequisite(s): (IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054) or (IS 2064 or PSCI 2064 or GEOG 2064)

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Repeatability: up to 9 credit hours

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3154

IS 3164 - Global Trade: Structures and Policies (3 credits)

Focuses on the operations of global trading system and its structure, theories of trade in international political economy, world trading powers and international and regional trade international organizations such as the World Trade Organization (WTO), the European Union (EU), the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMC), European Union (EU), United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) and the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) and their policies.

Prerequisite(s): IS 2064 or PSCI 2064 or GEOG 2064

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3164

IS 3165 - Global Economic Governance and Policy (3 credits)

3165: International Trade - Focuses on the operations of global and regional international organizations such as the World Trade Organization (WTO), the European Union (EU), the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), the United Nations Industrial Organization (UNIDO) and the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) and examines their policies and regulations. 3166: International Finance - Focuses on the operations of global and regional international organizations such as the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and World Bank, the European Union (EU), the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) and examines their policies and regulations.

Prerequisite(s): IS 2064 or PSCI 2064 or GEOG 2064

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3165

IS 3166 - Global Economic Governance and Policy (3 credits)

3165: International Trade - Focuses on the operations of global and regional international organizations such as the World Trade Organization (WTO), the European Union (EU), the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), the United Nations Industrial Organization (UNIDO) and the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) and examines their policies and regulations. 3166: International Finance - Focuses on the operations of global and regional international organizations such as the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and World Bank, the European Union (EU), the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) and examines their policies and regulations.

Prerequisite(s): IS 2064 or PSCI 2064 or GEOG 2064

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3166

IS 3174 - Monetary Foundations of the World Economy (3 credits)

Focuses on the evolution the operations of global and structure of regional international organizations such as the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and World Bank, the global financial and monetary order. Theories of the global and monetary system in international political economy, the structure of world finance, international financial institutions, the rise of new financial powers in the world economy, central banking, monetary and financial regulation and financial crises and policy responses.

Prerequisite(s): IS 2064 or PSCI 2064 or GEOG 2064

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3174

IS 3175 - Global Development (3 credits)

3175: The Politics of Development - Examines issues and politics of the developing world and investigates the forces that promote or cut off economic development in low-income countries. Discusses development issues in various world regions. 3176: Economic Development - Emphasizes economic development and focuses on domestic and international policies aiming at addressing poverty in the developing world.

Prerequisite(s): (IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054) or (IS 2064 or PSCI 2064 or GEOG 2064)

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3175

IS 3176 - Global Development (3 credits)

3175: The Politics of Development - Examines issues and politics of the developing world and investigates the forces that promote or cut off economic development in low-income countries. Discusses development issues in various world regions. 3176: Economic Development - Emphasizes economic development and focuses on domestic and international policies aiming at addressing poverty in the developing world.

Prerequisite(s): (IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054) or (IS 2064 or PSCI 2064 or GEOG 2064)

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3176

IS 3184 - Human Security (3 credits)

Introduces the field of human security and examines the conceptual, theoretical, and methodological issues surrounding it. Identifies the relevant human security actors, explores the tools of human security, and discusses the application of human security. Investigates the implications of human security and discusses its future.

Prerequisite(s): IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3184

IS 3194 - Nuclear Strategy & Politics (3 credits)

Examines the fundamentals of nuclear strategy and investigates the politics associated with the acquisition and proliferation of nuclear weapons. Focuses on nuclear doctrines and policies and explores international efforts associated with nuclear arms control and disarmament. Analyzes the nuclear postures of various nuclear states.

Prerequisite(s): IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3194

IS 3344 - Global Environmental Issues: Interdisciplinary Perspectives (3 credits)

Critical examination of major global environmental problems from a humanities perspective, including international community responses to global environmental problems such as global warming, atmospheric ozone depletion, acid rain, tropical deforestation, toxic waste. Actions by key actors in the international community to develop solutions. Relationship of justice, fairness, equality, and diversity to political questions of power or authority. Pre: 3 credits of Critical Issues in a Global Context.

Pathway Concept Area(s): 2 Critical Thinking Humanities, 11 Intercultural&Global Aware.

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3344, UAP 3344

IS 3374 - The Politics of Energy (3 credits)

Critical and humanistic perspectives of energy and its global problems. Politics and ethics of fuel extraction, distribution, and consumption across cultures and histories. Energy narratives, discourses, and aesthetics in the formation of political identities. Energy and the rise of modern democracy and global capitalism, with an emphasis on the energy dimensions of climate justice. Pre: Junior Standing.

Pathway Concept Area(s): 3 Reasoning in Social Sciences, 10 Ethical Reasoning

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3374

IS 3384 - Politics of Global and Comparative Migration (3 credits)

Theories and politics of international migration. How policies in destination, transit, and origin countries influence migration. Why governments adopt the migration policies they do. Impacts of global, regional, and national politics and policies on migration among countries.

Prerequisite(s): PSCI 1024 or IS 1024 or PSCI 2054 or IS 2054 or GEOG 2054 or PSCI 2064 or IS 2064 or GEOG 2064 or PSCI 2084 or IS 2084

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3384

IS 3394 - Comparative Politics of Immigrant Inclusion (3 credits)

Theories of citizenship applied across levels of government. Comparative policies for political, social, and military inclusion. Explanations for variations in policies supporting citizenship and inclusion across countries. Explanations for differences among immigrants' political inclusion across countries.

Prerequisite(s): PSCI 1024 or IS 1024 or PSCI 2054 or IS 2054 or GEOG 2054 or PSCI 2064 or IS 2064 or GEOG 2064 or PSCI 2084 or IS 2084

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3394

IS 3514 - Latin American Government and Politics (3 credits)

Introduction to the political systems of Latin American countries, including legislative-executive relations, interest groups, political parties, electoral systems, political violence, and socio-political development.

Prerequisite(s): PSCI 1014H or PSCI 1014 or PSCI 1024 or PSCI 1024H or IS 1024 or IS 1024H

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3514

IS 3515 - European Political Systems (3 credits)

The government and politics of selected European states and of the European Union. 3515: normally includes the United Kingdom. 3516: normally includes Germany and Hungary.

Prerequisite(s): PSCI 1024 or PSCI 1024H or IS 1024

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3515

IS 3516 - European Political Systems (3 credits)

The government and politics of selected European states and of the European Union. 3515: normally includes the United Kingdom. 3516: normally includes Germany and Hungary.

Prerequisite(s): PSCI 1024 or PSCI 1024H or IS 1024

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3516

IS 3524 - Politics of Post-Communist Systems (3 credits)

Institutions, party structures, political economy, elite politics, ethnic conflicts, leadership dynamics, and mass political behavior in Russia and other post-communist political systems.

Prerequisite(s): PSCI 1024 or PSCI 1024H or IS 1024 or IS 1024H

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3524

IS 3534 - African Government and Politics (3 credits)

Survey of major concepts and themes in the study of African politics and development: analyses of the state, political institutions, social forces, democratization, sustainable development, issues of contemporary African politics.

Prerequisite(s): PSCI 1024 or PSCI 1024H or IS 1024

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3534

IS 3554 - Comparative Political Economy (3 credits)

Economic policies and collective choice processes of pre-industrial, industrializing, and advanced industrial states; problems and crises of industrial development, economic distribution, and technological transfer in the transition from an agrarian to advanced industrial society.

Prerequisite(s): PSCI 1014 or PSCI 1014H or PSCI 1024 or PSCI 1024H or IS 1024 or IS 1024H

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3554

IS 3574 - Government and Politics of Japan (3 credits)

Introduction to governmental institutions, patterns of political organization and behavior, and key policies of the Japanese political system.

Prerequisite(s): PSCI 1024 or PSCI 1024H or IS 1024 or IS 1024H

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3574

IS 3584 - Governments and Politics of Asia (3 credits)

Introduction to governmental institutions, political behavior, and social and economic policy approaches of China and other selected countries in the Asian region.

Prerequisite(s): PSCI 1024 or PSCI 1024H or IS 1024 or IS 1024H

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3584

IS 3594 - Topics in Middle East Politics and International Relations (3 credits)

Government and politics of Middle Eastern states. Religion, culture and society in the Middle East. Nationalism and Middle East politics. Regional conflicts and regional security. International relations of the Middle East. Great powers and Middle East politics. May be repeated twice with different content for a maximum of nine (9) credits.

Prerequisite(s): IS 1024 or PSCI 1024 or IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3594

IS 3615 - International Relations (3 credits)

Structure and development of the modern international system, theories of international policies, international law; international organizations.

Prerequisite(s): IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054 or PSCI 2064 or IS 2064 or GEOG 2064

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3615

IS 3616 - International Relations (3 credits)

Structure and development of the modern international system; theories of international policies; international law; international organizations.

Prerequisite(s): PSCI 2054 or IS 2054 or GEOG 2054 or PSCI 2064 or IS 2064 or GEOG 2064

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3616

IS 3624 - Foreign Policy and Diplomacy (3 credits)

Focuses on actors, issues, and processes pertaining to foreign policy formulation and implementation. Examines theoretical and historical perspectives on foreign policy analysis. Investigates the national security, foreign policy, and diplomacy nexus. Discusses type of diplomacy and diplomatic methods.

Prerequisite(s): IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3624

IS 3625 - US-Russia Foreign Policies (3 credits)

3625: Formulation of American foreign policy; roles of the President; Congress; press; public; and bureaucracy; central themes, issues, and problems of American diplomacy; 3626: Development and operational practices of Russian foreign policy decision-making in the international environment; party and state political institutions; Marxist-Leninist ideology.

Prerequisite(s): PSCI 1024 or IS 1024 or PSCI 1024H or IS 1024H

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3625

IS 3626 - US-Russia Foreign Policies (3 credits)

3625: Formulation of American foreign policy; roles of the President, Congress, press, and bureaucracy; central themes, issues, and problems of American diplomacy; 3626: Development and operational practices of Russian foreign policy decision-making in the international environment; party and state political institutions; Marxist-Leninist ideology.

Prerequisite(s): PSCI 1024 or PSCI 1024H

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3626

IS 3634 - Human Rights: Global Issues (3 credits)

Identification, articulation and clarification of the relationship between human rights and other contemporary international phenomena, issues, events, and processes that affect human rights. Detailed consideration of the diverse traditions and cultural interpretations of human rights.

Prerequisite(s): PSCI 1024 or PSCI 1024H or IS 1024 or IS 1024H or PSCI 2054 or IS 2054 or GEOG 2054

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3634

IS 3644 - Religion in the Middle East (3 credits)

Critical issues in religion in the Middle East. Competing methods for analyzing religion in the Middle East. Key concepts relating to religion and inter-religious relations in the Middle East such as minority, majority, tolerance, citizenship, and family law. Critical thinking about the relationship between Islam and other religions with particular reference to Muslim-Jewish and Muslim-Christian relations.

Pathway Concept Area(s): 2 Critical Thinking Humanities, 11 Intercultural&Global Aware.

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: ARBC 3644, RLCL 3644

IS 3694 - Far-right Violence in the United States (3 credits)

Assessment of theoretical and conceptual foundations to understand the rise of far-right violence in the United States. Identification of causes of radicalization into the far-right. Comparison of case studies of historical and contemporary far-right violence. Evaluation of differences and similarities in historical and contemporary case studies. Appraisal of successful responses to far-right violence.

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3694

IS 3704 - National Security Strategy (3 credits)

Focuses on the causes of war and the conditions of peace. Examines the logic, levels, and outcomes of strategy and investigates the impact of international law and politics on the use of force. Explores contemporary strategic theory and discusses current issues in grand strategy.

Prerequisite(s): IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3704

IS 3734 - National Security (3 credits)

Post-1945 strategic problems, policies, and security commitments of major participants in international politics, especially the United States and Russia; effects of security policies on international and domestic political economies.

Prerequisite(s): PSCI 2054 or IS 2054 or GEOG 2054

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3734

IS 3795 - Global Terrorism and Counterterrorism (3 credits)

Evaluation of theories and concepts used to analyze terrorism and counterterrorism. Identification and analysis of origins, causes, and consequences of terrorism globally. Comparison of historical and contemporary terrorism and counterterrorism. Appraisal of how histories of colonialism and the growth of new media affect terrorism and responses to terrorism. Identification of successful counterterrorism methods, strategies and practices. Evaluation of ethics and human rights in global counterterrorism. 3795: histories, origins, and spread of terrorism; 3796: strategies and practices of counterterrorism.

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3795

IS 3796 - Global Terrorism and Counterterrorism (3 credits)

Evaluation of theories and concepts used to analyze terrorism and counterterrorism. Identification and analysis of origins, causes, and consequences of terrorism globally. Comparison of historical and contemporary terrorism and counterterrorism. Appraisal of how histories of colonialism and the growth of new media affect terrorism and responses to terrorism. Identification of successful counterterrorism methods, strategies and practices. Evaluation of ethics and human rights in global counterterrorism. 3795: histories, origins, and spread of terrorism; 3796: strategies and practices of counterterrorism.

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3796

IS 3804 - European Integration (3 credits)

Analysis of the process of industrial, political, legal, economic, social and cultural integration of states in Europe as a whole or within a European sub-region. History and theories of European integration. Examination of various European organizations whose actions reflect different approaches to and different degrees of integration in Europe.

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3804

IS 3814 - The European Union: Institutions and Policies (3 credits)

Evolution, organizational structure, political dynamics, and decision-making mechanisms of the European Union. Major internal and external EU policies such as foreign, security and defense policy, economics, Single Market, and monetary union.

Prerequisite(s): (IS 3804 or PSCI 3804) or (IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054) or (IS 2084 or PSCI 2084 or GEOG 2084)

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3814

IS 3824 - European Union's Foreign and Security Policy (3 credits)

The European Union (EU) as an actor in the foreign, security and defense policy fields. The external relations of the EU and its role in world affairs. The institutional arrangements of EU external relations and EU activity in policy areas including human rights, peacekeeping, environmental governance, trade, and economic development.

Prerequisite(s): (IS 3814 or PSCI 3814) or (IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054) or (IS 2084 or PSCI 2084 or GEOG 2084)

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3824

IS 3825 - European Union's Foreign Relations (3 credits)

The global strategy and foreign policy objectives of the European Union and the evolving relations between the EU and the rest of the world. EU's role in world affairs. 3825: EU's global strategy and its relations with major world powers, such as the United States, Russia, and China. 3826: EU's global strategy and its relations with countries in various world regions as well as global multilateral organizations, such as the United Nations (UN) and the World Trade Organization (WTO).

Prerequisite(s): IS 3814 or PSCI 3814

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3825

IS 3826 - European Union's Foreign Relations (3 credits)

The global strategy and foreign policy objectives of the European Union and the evolving relations between the EU and the rest of the world. EU's role in world affairs. 3825: EU's global strategy and its relations with major world powers, such as the United States, Russia, and China. 3826: EU's global strategy and its relations with countries in various world regions as well as global multilateral organizations, such as the United Nations (UN) and the World Trade Organization (WTO).

Prerequisite(s): IS 3814 or PSCI 3814

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3826

IS 3834 - European Security Governance (3 credits)

Structure and function of major European security organizations, such as the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO), the European Union (EU), the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE), and the Collective Security Treaty Organization (CSTO). In-depth analysis of those organizations' role in the European security architecture. Examination of inter-organizational cooperation in addressing European security issues and conflicts.

Prerequisite(s): (IS 3804 or PSCI 3804) or (IS 3814 or PSCI 3814) or (IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054) or (IS 2084 or PSCI 2084 or GEOG 2084)

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3834

IS 3844 - European Geopolitics (3 credits)

Impact of Geography on European politics and economics. Significance of territorial, identity, networking and environmental geopolitics. Theoretical debates in the fields of political and population geography. Current culture and demographic challenges and geopolitical disputes within Europe and particularly between the European Union (EU) and its neighboring world regions.

Prerequisite(s): GEOG 2224 or IS 2224 or PSCI 2224

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: GEOG 3844, PSCI 3844

IS 3854 - European Political Economy (3 credits)

The European Union's major institutions and policies relating to economic and monetary union and trade. Monetary integration, fiscal and economic policy cooperation, financial integration (including the banking union), the single market and the common commercial policy, the common agricultural policy and the EU's regional policy. The internal structure and organization of the European political economy and the external dimension of Europe and its impact on global economics, ranging from the World Trade Organization to EU enlargement and the Developing World.

Prerequisite(s): (IS 3814 or PSCI 3814) or (IS 2064 or PSCI 2064 or GEOG 2064)

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3854

IS 3874 - The European Business Environment (3 credits)

Political, legal, economic, socio-cultural, technological and environmental issues and policies affecting the operation and strategies of foreign companies in Europe. Business operations inside and outside the European Union. Impact of EU policies and the EU legal framework on business strategies and policies of non-EU companies. Business strategy for the European market, marketing and human resources management in Europe, and corporate governance and control in Europe. Pre: Junior Standing.

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: MGT 3874, PSCI 3874

IS 3884 - Culture and Society in Contemporary Europe (3 credits)

The impact of religion and culture in contemporary European politics and societies. Nationalism versus European cosmopolitanism. Religion, religious radicalism and religious tolerance in Europe. Culture and society in European urban and rural areas. Attitudes towards women and LGBTQ in Europe. Social foundations and cultural determinants of marginalization of social groups, migrants and refugees.

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: RLCL 3884, SOC 3884

IS 3894 - Transatlantic Relations Since 1945 (3 credits)

Analysis of the post- World War II transatlantic relations. Origins and historical context of the transatlantic partnership. Impact of the changing security context and domestic politics on the evolution of transatlantic relations. Causes of tensions and discord between the United States and its European allies and their impact on European security and world order.

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3894

IS 3914 - European Economics (3 credits)

Microeconomics, macroeconomics and economic policies of the European Union. EU economic law, institutions, decision-making, and budgeting. Historic and current influences on regional economic development. Monetary and fiscal policies. Economic research methods, analysis, and reporting.

Prerequisite(s): ECON 2006

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: ECON 3914, PSCI 3914

IS 3924 - Theories of Transatlantic Relations (3 credits)

Examination of historical, cultural, and civilizational approaches to the study of ties binding Europe and North America. Exploration of the role of identity and national interests in the analysis of transatlantic relations. Investigation of the causes of tensions between the United States and its European allies and the management of these tensions.

Prerequisite(s): (IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054) or (IS 2084 or PSCI 2084 or GEOG 2084)

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3924

IS 3934 - NATO & European Security (3 credits)

Origins and evolution of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO). Organizational structure, decision and policy-making, missions, and operations. NATO and the European Union's Common Foreign and Security policy (CFSP) and Common Security and Defense Policy (CSDP). Impact of domestic politics and external policies on the operation of NATO and European security.

Prerequisite(s): (IS 3804 or PSCI 3804) or (IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054) or (IS 2084 or PSCI 2084 or GEOG 2084)

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 3934

IS 3944 - International Enrollment (0 credits)

Participation in an approved study abroad program without direct supervision of the Va Tech faculty but with required enrollment in an approved program of study in a foreign university.

Instructional Contact Hours: (0 Lec, 0 Crd)

IS 3944S - International Enroll Special 3 (0 credits)

Participation in an approved Study Abroad program without direct supervision of the Virginia Tech faculty but with required enrollment in an approved program of study in an international university. Course represents three billable hours and no academic credit.

Instructional Contact Hours: (0 Lec, 0 Crd)

IS 3944T - International Enroll Special 4 (0 credits)

Participation in an approved Study Abroad program without direct supervision of the Virginia Tech faculty but with required enrollment in an approved program of study in an international university. Course represents four billable hours and no academic credit.

Instructional Contact Hours: (0 Lec, 0 Crd)

IS 3944U - International Enroll Special 6 (0 credits)

Participation in an approved Study Abroad program without direct supervision of the Virginia Tech faculty but with required enrollment in an approved program of study in an international university. Course represents six billable hours and no academic credit.

Instructional Contact Hours: (0 Lec, 0 Crd)

IS 3954 - Study Abroad (1-19 credits)

Instructional Contact Hours: Variable credit course

IS 3984 - Special Study (1-19 credits)

Instructional Contact Hours: Variable credit course

IS 4004 - Seminar in International Studies (3 credits)

Interdepartmental seminar to synthesize and articulate basic assumptions, theories, and methods of international studies. Senior standing in IS and instructor consent required.

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

IS 4014 - International Development (3 credits)

Utilizes development, gender, and social theory to examine the impact of aid programs on communities in the Third World. Analyzes such issues as the impact of development projects in agriculture, natural resources, and employment on the local people, the impact of aid on women; and the policies and administrative structures that direct the world of international development.

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

IS 4024 - Seminar in Diplomacy and Security (3 credits)

In-depth analysis of selected topics in diplomacy, strategy, and national security including issues pertaining to international conflict and cooperation; dimensions of national power; objectives of national policy and implementation of national strategy; diplomatic negotiations; and conflict resolution. Senior Standing.

Prerequisite(s): IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 4024

IS 4034 - Topics in Diplomacy Lab (3 credits)

Examines the fundamentals of policy analysis and formulation and emphasizes research and writing on topics pertaining to diplomacy, security, and foreign policy. Focuses on policy analysis and evaluation and concentrates on policy design. Emphasizes preparation and presentation of policy reports. May be taken three times for credit with different policy topics. Pre: Junior Standing.

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Repeatability: up to 9 credit hours

Course Crosslist: PSCI 4034

IS 4044 - International Communication (3 credits)

Comparative perspectives on global communication systems; problems with the flow of information; roles of international organizations; mass communication and national development; implications for conflict resolution; selected case studies. Senior standing required or instructor consent required.

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: JMC 4044

IS 4054 - Seminar in Global Political Economy (3 credits)

Examines theoretical and historical approaches to global political economy and assesses their practical implications. Focuses on issue areas such as production, trade, money, finance and investment and analyzes their implications for the global economic and political order. Investigates issues pertaining to economies of development and in transition. Senior Standing.

Prerequisite(s): IS 2064 or PSCI 2064 or GEOG 2064

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 4054

IS 4064 - Seminar in Global Development (3 credits)

Examines how economic and political forces interact in the developing world, discusses the history of these interactions from the pre-colonial period to the present and explores how colonialism shaped the developing worlds economic and political trajectories. Utilizes case studies, historical analysis and development economics to better understand the economic and political condition of countries in the developing world. Senior Standing.

Prerequisite(s): IS 2064 or PSCI 2064 or GEOG 2064

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 4064

IS 4074 - The Politics of Cybersecurity (3 credits)

Analyses the politics of cybercrime, cyberwar, and the challenges of producing effective cybersecurity. Topics include the economics of cybersecurity, the cross-border nature of global cybercrime, encryption and anonymity-granting technologies, targeting critical national infrastructure, network investigative techniques, cybersecurity measurement, politics of zero-day vulnerabilities, and the process of providing effective cybersecurity at the individual, organizational, subnational, and national levels.

Prerequisite(s): PSCI 3044 or IS 3044

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 4074

IS 4104 - Topics in European Studies (3 credits)

Selected issues pertaining to European Studies, such as racism in Europe, European art and society, religion and society in Europe, gender politics, and demographic trends in Europe. May be repeated twice with different content for a maximum of nine (9) credits. Pre: Senior Standing.

Prerequisite(s): (IS 3804 or PSCI 3804) or (IS 3814 or PSCI 3814)

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Repeatability: up to 9 credit hours

Course Crosslist: PSCI 4104

IS 4114 - Topics in European Union Policies (3 credits)

Governmental and non-governmental actors in environmental policy, climate, energy, health, agricultural, education, industrial, social or similar policymaking. EU organizational structures and decision-making mechanisms. Public opinion. Analysis of policy results and effectiveness. May be repeated twice with different content for a maximum of nine (9) credits. Pre: Senior standing.

Prerequisite(s): (IS 3814 or PSCI 3814) or (IS 3804 or PSCI 3804)

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Repeatability: up to 9 credit hours

IS 4124 - Topics in European Integration (3 credits)

Research and analysis of selected issues pertaining to European integration. Democracy and European governance. Nationalism and European integration. Impact of fascism and racism on European integration. Integration of refugees and migrants in European societies. May be repeated twice with different content for a maximum of nine (9) credits. Pre: Senior standing.

Prerequisite(s): (IS 3804 or PSCI 3804) or (IS 3814 or PSCI 3814)

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Repeatability: up to 9 credit hours

IS 4134 - Capstone Research Project in European Studies (3 credits)

Independent research project focusing on contemporary Europe. Identifying a topic of inquiry, formulating a research question, conducting a literature review, and preparing a research proposal. Collecting, evaluating and analyzing data, composing a research paper and presenting the research findings. Topics may originate from any discipline contributing to European studies. Pre: Senior Standing.

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

IS 4144 - Topics in Transatlantic Relations (3 credits)

Research and analysis of selected post World War II political, diplomatic and security issues pertaining to transatlantic relations. Topics under examination include: US-EU relations and European security; the transatlantic partnership and world order; transatlantic politics and the global economic system; causes of the transatlantic divide; British foreign policy, transatlantic relations and European security. May be repeated twice with different content for a maximum of nine (9) credits. Pre: Senior standing.

Prerequisite(s): (IS 3804 or PSCI 3804) or (IS 3814 or PSCI 3814) or (IS 3894 or PSCI 3894)

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Repeatability: up to 9 credit hours

Course Crosslist: PSCI 4144

IS 4154 - Topics in Transatlantic Studies (3 credits)

Research and analysis of selected issues pertaining to transatlantic studies. Topics under examination include: religion and the transatlantic world; the political economy of the transatlantic slave trade; and the role of culture, language, and literature in cementing transatlantic ties. May be repeated twice with different content for a maximum of nine (9) credits. Pre: Senior standing.

Prerequisite(s): (IS 3804 or PSCI 3804) or (IS 3814 or PSCI 3814) or (IS 3894 or PSCI 3894)

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Repeatability: up to 9 credit hours

Course Crosslist: PSCI 4154

IS 4174 - Climate Change and the International Policy Framework (3 credits)

Science, causes and impacts of climate change. Mitigation and adaptation measures to address the causes and impacts of climate change. International climate change policy, with attention to the policy making process, in particular the role of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and climate negotiations. Science and diplomacy in climate negotiations to achieve successful outcomes. The ethical and social implications of climate change policies.

Pathway Concept Area(s): 1A Discourse Advanced, 3 Reasoning in Social Sciences, 10 Ethical Reasoning

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: FREC 4174, PSCI 4174

IS 4184 - Capstone Project Transatlantic Studies (3 credits)

Independent research project focusing on issues and topics pertaining to transatlantic studies. Identifying a topic of inquiry, formulating a research question, conducting a literature review, and preparing a research proposal. Collecting, evaluating and analyzing data, composing a research paper and presenting the research findings. Topics may originate from any discipline contributing to transatlantic studies. Pre: Senior Standing

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 4184

IS 4614 - Senior Seminar in International Relations (3 credits)

Selected topics in international relations, including objectives of national policy; dimensions and components of national power; comparative diplomacy; international conflict and cooperation; instruments of conflict resolution. Topics vary from semester to semester as announced. Must have senior standing and any two of the prerequisites.

Prerequisite(s): PSCI 3615 or PSCI 3616 or IS 3615 or IS 3616 or PSCI 3625 or PSCI 3626 or PSCI 3734 or IS 3626 or IS 3734

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 4614

IS 4714 - Senior Seminar in Policy Analysis (3 credits)

Theoretical, analytical, and methodological approaches used to assess government activities and public policy. Topics vary from semester to semester as announced. Must have senior standing.

Prerequisite(s): PSCI 3724 and PSCI 3734

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 4714

IS 4734 - Theories and Practices of International Conflict Management (3 credits)

Examines alternative perspectives on peace, security, and international intervention and their implications for policy. Focuses on the role of international organizations and other actors in conflict resolution and peace-building and explores issues pertaining to humanitarian intervention, human security, and state-building. Utilizes case studies in peacekeeping and peace building to highlight the link between theory and practice.

Prerequisite(s): PSCI 3616 or IS 3616

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 4734

IS 4736 - Topics in Multilateral Diplomacy Workshop (3 credits)

Simulation of diplomatic practice in major global and regional international organizations. Diplomatic strategies and tactics. Effects of decision-making and policy-making structures and processes on diplomatic outcomes. Crisis management and conflict resolutions mechanisms. Diplomatic negotiations and diplomatic resolutions. Extensive use of simulations. 4735: Multilateral diplomacy in global organizations: United Nations (UN) and World Trade Organization (WTO). May be repeated once with different content for a maximum of six (6) credits. 4736: Multilateral diplomacy in sub-global/regional organizations: European Union (EU), North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO), and Organization for Security & Cooperation in Europe (OSCE). May be repeated once with different content for a maximum of six (6) credits. Pre: Junior Standing.

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Repeatability: up to 6 credit hours

Course Crosslist: PSCI 4736

IS 4744 - Intelligence Analysis Workshop (3 credits)

Examines the impact of historical experience and bureaucratic structures on intelligence analysis. Discusses the contents of the intelligence agenda and explores issues pertaining to intelligence analysis. Focuses on the intelligence process and offers a target-centric approach to intelligence analysis. Emphasizes and evaluates the use of structured analytic techniques in intelligence analysis.

Prerequisite(s): IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054

Instructional Contact Hours: (3 Lec, 3 Crd)

Course Crosslist: PSCI 4744

IS 4754 - Internship (1-19 credits)

Instructional Contact Hours: Variable credit course

IS 4964 - Field Study (1-19 credits)

Instructional Contact Hours: Variable credit course

IS 4974 - Independent Study (1-19 credits)

Instructional Contact Hours: Variable credit course

IS 4974H - Independent Study (1-19 credits)

Instructional Contact Hours: Variable credit course

IS 4984 - Special Study (1-19 credits)

Instructional Contact Hours: Variable credit course

IS 4994 - Undergraduate Research (1-19 credits)

Instructional Contact Hours: Variable credit course

IS 4994H - Undergraduate Research (1-19 credits)

Instructional Contact Hours: Variable credit course