

# INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS-BA

THIS IS A **GENERAL** CURRICULUM GUIDE AND IS NOT APPLICABLE TO EVERY STUDENT. IT IS IMPORTANT TO MEET WITH YOUR ADVISOR.

Year One			
<sup>1</sup> WRT 150 or WRT 120 Strategies in Writing Stretch I	3/4	<sup>1</sup> WRT 130 Strategies in Writing Stretch II or WRT 150	3/4
<sup>2</sup> PLS 211	3	Grade of C or better required for both	
Foreign Language 101	4	Foreign Language 102	4
MTH 110	4	<sup>2</sup> GPY 235	3
Prerequisite: MTH 097 or assignment through math placement exam		Gen Ed	3
Elective (if needed)	1	Elective(s)	2
<i>Total</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>15</i>
Year Two			
ECO 210	3	ECO 211	3
Minor course	3	PLS 312	3
Gen ed	3	Prerequisite: PLS 102 or 211 or junior standing	
Foreign Language 201	4	Foreign Language 202	4
Elective(s)	2	Gen ed	3
		Elective(s)	2
<i>Total</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>15</i>
Year Three			
IR Elective Course	3	IR Elective Course	3
IR Elective Course	3	IR Elective Course	3
Issues	3	Gen ed	3
Gen ed	3	Minor/Elective course	3
Minor/Elective course	3	Minor/Elective course	3
<i>Total</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>15</i>
Year Four			
HST 317	3	IR 495	3
IR Elective Course	3	Prerequisite: WRT 150 senior standing	
Minor/Elective course	3	Minor/Elective course	3
Issues	3	Minor/Elective course	3
Minor/Elective course	3	Minor/Elective course	3
		Minor/Elective course	3
<i>Total</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>15</i>

\* The block tuition rate is 12-15 credits. You will pay additional tuition for any credits over 15. **You MUST obtain at least 120 credits total.**

<sup>1</sup> Students who self-place into WRT120 should take this course in the fall semester and then take WRT 130 in the winter semester of the first year. History students who self-place into WRT 150 should take this course in their first semester. A grade of C or higher is required to fulfill these requirements. Students will not need to take WRT 150 (or 120 & 130) if they have earned credit for the course through AP/Dual Enrollment. A grade of C or better is required.

<sup>2</sup> Students should take PLS 211 and GPY 235 in their first year, but in either order.

### Guide for Declaring the International Relations Major:

1. Log into myBanner from the GVSU homepage
2. Once logged in select "Student", "Student Records", and then, "Change Major"
3. Click on the "Change Major 1/Program" box
4. Click on the down arrow in the box next to "New Major 1/Program," from here scroll down and choose "International Relations-BA"
5. Click "Submit" and then "Change to New Program"

### General Education Overlap

<b>General Education Categories fulfilled by the required courses in the International Relations Major:</b>
Social and Behavioral Sciences: ECO 210 or ECO 211; GPY 235; PLS 211
Global Perspectives: GPY 235; PLS 211; Language 202

It is imperative to meet with your faculty advisor and an advisor in the CLAS Academic Advising Center regularly. The CLAS Academic Advising Center is in C-1-140 MAK, 616-331-8585 and online at: <http://www.gvsu.edu/clasadvising>.

### International Relations Elective Courses (Prerequisites in Parentheses)

Note that each academic year the IR coordinator, Dr. Diven, sends majors a list of additional elective choices for that year.

Economics and Business	History and Geography	Political Science
<p>ECO 349 Emerging Markets Issues (ECO 210 or ECO 200)</p> <p>ECO 365 Comparative Economic System (ECO 210 or ECO 200)</p> <p>ECO 369 International Economic Issues (ECO 210 or ECO 200)</p> <p>FIN 429 International Financial Management (None)</p> <p>HTM 202 International Tourism</p> <p>MGT 303 Introduction to International Business (Junior Standing)</p> <p>MGT 466 International Management and Multinational Corporations (Senior Standing)</p> <p>MKT 359 Multinational Marketing (None)</p> <p>PLS 315 International Political Economy (PLS 211 or ECO 200 or ECO 210 or ECO 211)</p>	<p>GPY 350 Geopolitics, Energy, and Environment of Russia and Central Eurasia (Junior Standing)</p> <p>GPY 351 Geography of Africa (None)</p> <p>GPY 352 Geography of Latin America (None)</p> <p>GPY 354 Geography of Asia (Junior Standing)</p> <p>GPY 355 Geography of Southwest Asia - The Middle East (None)</p> <p>GPY 356 The Geography, Culture, and Land Use Management of Europe</p> <p>GPY 362 Farmers, Crops, and Our Challenging Agricultural World (Junior Standing)</p> <p>GPY 412 Global Environmental Change (Junior Standing)</p> <p>HST 211 History of Islamic Civilization (None)</p> <p>HST 230 Latin America in World History</p> <p>HST 235 Africa in World History</p> <p>HST 241 A History of East Asia since 1800</p> <p>HST 307 United States Since 1970</p> <p>HST 310 Cultural and Social Topics in Nonwestern History</p> <p>HST 331 Modern Latin America</p> <p>HST 332 Emergence of Modern India and South Asia (Junior Standing)</p> <p>HST 333 Modern China (Junior Standing)</p> <p>HST 334 The Making of the Caribbean</p> <p>HST 336 Africa after 1870 (HST 204 or HST 235 or junior standing)</p> <p>HST 337 The Age of Islamic Empire (HST 203, HST 204 or junior standing)</p> <p>HST 338 Modern Middle East (HST 204 and HST 206 or junior standing)</p> <p>HST 339 Modern Iran</p> <p>HST 343 History of South Africa (HST 204, HST 235, or Junior Standing)</p> <p>HST/LAS 375 History of Mexico</p> <p>HST 377 History of Warfare</p> <p>HST 386 20<sup>th</sup> Century Europe (Historical Analysis Foundation or junior standing)</p> <p>HST 389 Russian History</p> <p>HST 390 Soviet History (HST 204 or junior standing)</p> <p>LAS/HST 374 Revolution in the Americas (HST 204 or LAS 210)</p>	<p>AAA 300 U.S.-Africa Relations</p> <p>AAA 341 Civil Conflicts in Africa</p> <p>LAS 320 Model Organization of American States (LAS 210, PLS 211, or PLS 284)</p> <p>MES 370 Contemporary Issues in the Modern Middle East: The Model Arab League (Junior Standing)</p> <p>PLS 212 Great Decisions (None)</p> <p>PLS 221 Government and Politics of Western Europe (None)</p> <p>PLS 283 Chinese Politics and US-China Relations (None)</p> <p>PLS 284 Latin American Politics (None)</p> <p>PLS 311 International Conflict and Conflict Resolution (PLS 211 or junior standing)</p> <p>PLS 313 International Organization (PLS 211 or junior standing)</p> <p>PLS 314 International Law (PLS 211 or junior standing)</p> <p>PLS 315 International Political Economy (PLS 211 or ECO 200 or ECO 210 or ECO 211)</p> <p>PLS/HRT 316 Human Rights in International Politics (PLS 103 or PLS 211 or junior standing)</p> <p>PLS/AAA 319 African Politics (PLS 103) (junior standing)</p> <p>PLS 320 Comparative Politics of the Middle East</p> <p>PLS 321 The European Union (PLS 221 or permission of instructor)</p> <p>PLS 325 Human Rights &amp; Democracy in Russia &amp; the Post-Communist World (PLS 103 or Junior Standing)</p> <p>PLS 327 Politics of Developing Countries (PLS 103 or junior standing)</p> <p>PLS 339 Democracy and the Authoritarian Challenge (junior standing)</p> <p>PLS 350 Comparative Public Opinion (STA 215 and PLS 300)</p> <p>SOC 350 Family and Gender in the Developing World (WRT 150 and Junior Standing)</p>
<p><b>Special Topics and Independent Study</b></p> <p>IR 380 Special Topics (1-3)</p> <p>IR 399 Independent Readings (1-3)</p> <p>IR 490 Internship (2-6)</p> <p>IR 499 Independent Research (1-3)</p>		

### Bachelor of Arts

For IR majors, the B.A. degree requires fourth-semester proficiency in a modern, spoken foreign language. This may be fulfilled through language placement <http://www.gvsu.edu/ml/language-placement-exam-108.htm> or by completing the courses listed below:

- **Language 101** (4)
- **Language 102/150** (4) (150 is a hybrid of 101 & 102 and is only recommended for students with previous language background)
- **Language 201** (4)
- **Language 202** (4)