

International University of Sarajevo (IUS)				
Faculty of Business and Administration (FBA)				
Political Science and International Relations Program (PSIR): Third Cycle (PhD)				
AY 2025-2026				
Course Group	Total ECTS	Course Code	Course Title	ECTS
Required Courses	18	IR600	Theories of International Relations	6
		SPS601	Advanced Methodology in Social Sciences	6
		POLS600	Advanced Political Theory	6
Program Elective Courses	30	IR506	European Security and the Transatlantic Relationship	6
		IR507	Special Topics in Regional Studies	6
		IR509	Great Power Politics and the International Order	6
		IR515	Genocide and Crimes Against Humanity	6
		IR516	Mediation and Negotiation	6
		IR522	EU Foreign and Security Policy	6
		IR541	South-Eastern Europe in World Politics	6
		IR551	Global Political Economy	6
		IR602	Foreign Policy in Theory and Practice	6
		IR611	Advanced Studies in International Relations	6
		IR612	International Organizations and Globalization	6
		IR631	Conflict Analysis and Resolution	6
		IR632	Religion in International Affairs	6
		IR641	Contemporary US Foreign Policy	6
		IR642	Special Topics in EU Politics	6
		IR651	World Energy Politics	6
		IR652	Security and Strategy	6
		POLS503	Advanced Studies in Political Sociology	6
		POLS505	Special Topics in Political Theory	6
		SPS602	Advanced Methods of Policy Analysis and Research	6
SPS605	Ethnicity and Nationalism	6		
SPS608	Advanced Studies of European Union	6		
SPS609	Conflict Resolution and Foreign Policy	6		
SPS611	Democratization and New Social Movements	6		
IUS Free elective		One course - approved by Academic Advisor	6	
Non-course Requirements	132		Doctoral Qualification Exam	0
		SPS620	Scientific Activity	12
		POLS791	PhD Dissertation	120
Graduate Studies: Summary of Conditions for Successful Completion of Studies				
Course Category	ECTS TOTAL	Notes:		
Courses	48	In order to complete III cycle of PSIR program, a student has to take 3 required courses (18 ECTS credits) and will be able choose 5 elective courses (worth 30 ECTS credits in total). Out of 5 elective courses, 3 of them (18 ECTS) has to be with code 6**		
Scientific activity	12	Requirements for SPS620 Scientific Activity are regulated by Article 4 Paragraph 2b of Study Rules for the Third Cycle Studies.		
Doctoral Qualification Exam	0	To take a Doctoral Qualification Exam, a student must complete all the course load (worth 48 ECTS) and prepare a Ph.D. topic proposal approved by his/her mentor.		
PhD Dissertation	120	To be eligible for dissertation defense a PhD candidate is required to publish a journal paper according to the Article 4 Paragraph 2f requirements of the Study Rules for the Third Cycle Studies.		
Total	180	For detailed information regarding these and other requirements, please check the IUS Study Rules for the Third Cycle Studies.		