

International University of Sarajevo, Faculty of Business and Administration (FBA)
First Cycle Curriculum for Study Program: Political Science and International Relations (PSIR)
Academic Year: 2025–2026

Semester I						Semester II					
Code	Title	Prerequisites	T	P	ECTS	Code	Title	Prerequisites	T	P	ECTS
ECON111	Introduction to Microeconomics		3	0	6	ECON112	Introduction to Macroeconomics		3	0	6
ELIT100	Academic English and Effective Communication		2	1	6	ELIT200	Critical Reading and Writing	ELIT100	2	1	6
MATH100	Mathematical Skills		3	2	6	IR101	Introduction to International Relations		3	0	6
POLS102	Introduction to Political Science		3	0	6	SOC102	Introduction to Sociology		3	0	6
xxx	University Elective I See Table 1				3	xxx	University Elective II See Table 1				3
xxx	Language Elective I See Table 2		2	0	3	xxx	Language Elective II See Table 2		2	0	3
Semester Total = 30						Semester Total = 30					
Semester III						Semester IV					
Code	Title	Prerequisites	T	P	ECTS	Code	Title	Prerequisites	T	P	ECTS
IR211	International Relations Theories	IR101	3	1	6	ECON204	International Political Economy		3	0	6
POLS101	Introduction to Philosophy		3	0	6	IR212	Politics in Europe	IR101	3	1	6
POLS204	Comparative Political Analysis	POLS102	3	0	6	IR214	International Law	IR101	3	1	6
POLS306	Religion and Politics	POLS102	3	1	6	IR216	Foreign Policy Analysis	IR101	3	1	6
SOC201	Social Theory	SOC102	3	0	6	POLS211	Politics and the Media	POLS102	3	1	6
Semester Total = 30						Semester Total = 30					
Semester V						Semester VI					
Code	Title	Prerequisites	T	P	ECTS	Code	Title	Prerequisites	T	P	ECTS
IR215	EU System	IR101	3	1	6	IR304	Security Studies	IR101	3	1	6
IR300	Research Methodology and Design	Junior standing	3	2	6	IR305	International Organizations	IR101	3	1	6
IR301	Political Geography and Geopolitics	IR101	3	1	6	POLS302	Contemporary Political Thought	POLS301	3	1	6
IR312	Diplomacy	IR101	3	1	6	POLS304	Politics in BiH	POLS102	3	1	6
POLS301	Political Philosophy	POLS101	3	1	6		Program Elective I See Table 3				6
Semester Total = 30						Semester Total = 30					
Semester VII						Semester VIII					
Code	Title	Prerequisites	T	P	ECTS	Code	Title	Prerequisites	T	P	ECTS
SPS370	Work Placement/Internship		0	14	6		Program Elective V See Table 3	Junior standing			6
	Program Elective II See Table 3	Junior standing			6		Program Elective VI See Table 3	Junior standing			6
	Program Elective III See Table 3	Junior standing			6		Program Elective VII See Table 3	Junior standing			6
	Program Elective IV See Table 3	Junior standing			6		Program Elective VIII See Table 3	Junior standing			6
	Free Elective I				6		Free Elective II				6
Semester Total = 30						Semester Total = 30					
Total Credits Required for Graduation						240					

6 to 8 Program Electives are taken from the Table 3

Two program electives (12 ECTS) can be replaced by IR491 Graduation Project, provided the student has a minimum CGPA of 3.0

2 Free Elective courses are taken from any program in any faculty, that are 200-level or above, except for the PSIR department courses.

2 Language Elective courses are taken from the list of language courses provided (can not be the student's mother language)

Junior standing: students must have completed at least 108 ECTS successfully; Senior standing: students must have completed at least 168 ECTS successfully.

Work placement/Internship is typically practiced in summer for a period of at least 25 work days, amounting to a minimum of 150 hours.

Table 1: IUS Pool of 3 ECTS University Elective Courses

Code	Title	T	P	ECTS
ARCH107	Understanding Art and Architecture	2	0	3
BIO100	Introduction to Bioengineering	3	2	3
CS100	Computer Skills	0	2	3
CULT101	Understanding Cultural Encounters	2	0	3
ECON105	Understanding Business	2	0	3
ECON107	Python	1	1	3
ECON108	Matlab	1	1	3
HUM100	Social Responsibility and Sustainable Development	2	0	3
IBF105	Financial Literacy	2	0	3
IR100	Understanding the Contemporary World through Current Events	2	0	3
MAN105	Corporate Social Responsibility	2	0	3
NS111	Understanding Nature and Knowledge	2	0	3
NS112	Understanding Science and Technology	2	0	3
SPS140	Understanding Religion	2	0	3

Table 2: Language Elective Courses

Code	Title	Prerequisites	T	P	ECTS
TURK111	Spoken Turkish I *		0	2	3
BOS111	Spoken Bosnian I *		0	2	3
TURK112	Spoken Turkish II *	TURK111	0	2	3
BOS112	Spoken Bosnian II *	BOS111	0	2	3

* International students are highly encouraged to take Bosnian language courses, while students from Bosnia and Herzegovina and Turkiye cannot enroll in courses of their native language.

Table 3: Program Elective Courses

Code	Title	Prerequisites	T	P	ECTS	Code	Title	Prerequisites	T	P	ECTS
HIST202	History of the Balkans		3	0	6	IR475	Ethics in International Politics	Junior standing	3	0	6
HIST309	Social and Economic History of Europe	Junior standing	3	0	6	IR476	Global Environmental Issues	Junior standing	3	0	6
IBF205	Principles of International Business		3	0	6	IR477	Conspiracy Theories in International Relations	Junior standing	3	0	6
IR213	International Issues in the Balkans	Junior standing	3	1	6	IR478	Islam in World Politics	Junior standing	3	0	6
IR307	Contemporary International Politics	Junior standing	3	1	6	IR491	Graduation project*	Last semester, CGPA > 3.0	2	4	12
IR332	European Union Foreign and Security Policy	Junior standing	3	0	6	POLS212	Political Participation	Junior standing	3	1	6
IR333	Turkish Foreign Policy	Junior standing	3	0	6	POLS223	Nations, Ethnicities and Ideologies	Junior standing	3	0	6
IR334	US Foreign Policy	Junior standing	3	0	6	POLS303	Survey of Political History	Junior standing	3	1	6
IR406	Special Topics in Regional Studies	Junior standing	3	1	6	POLS407	Politics and Governance in the Balkans	Junior standing	3	0	6
IR407	Special Topics in International Relations	Junior standing	3	1	6	POLS412	Issues in Turkish Politics	Junior standing	3	0	6
IR461	Conflict Analysis	Junior standing	3	0	6	POLS414	Political Parties and Electoral Systems	Junior standing	3	0	6
IR462	Ethnicity and Ethnic Conflicts	Junior standing	3	0	6	SOC311	Sociology of Religion	Junior standing	3	0	6
IR463	Migration, Refugees and Diasporas	Junior standing	3	0	6	SOC351	Political Sociology	Junior standing	3	0	6
IR464	Studies in Genocide	Junior standing	3	0	6	SOC404	New Social Movements	Junior standing	3	0	6
IR465	Political Violence and Terrorism	Junior standing	3	0	6	SOC412	Multiculturalism and Social Change	Junior standing	3	0	6
IR467	Energy Security	Junior standing	3	0	6	SPS311	Quantitative Research Methods	Junior standing	3	2	6
IR472	Human Rights	Junior standing	3	0	6	SPS312	Qualitative Research Methods	Junior standing	3	2	6
IR474	Gender in International Relations	Junior standing	3	0	6						

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