

International University of Sarajevo, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences (FASS)
First Cycle Curriculum: Political Sciences
(2022 - 2023)

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Semester I					
Code	Title	Prerequisites	T	P	ECTS
ELIT100	Academic English and Effective Communication		2	1	6
MATH100	Mathematical Skills		3	2	6
POLS102	Introduction to Political Science		3	0	6
POLS101	Introduction to Philosophy		3	0	6
	University Elective 1 See Table 2		2	0	3
	Foreign Language Elective 1		2	0	3
Semester Total =			30		
Semester III					
Code	Title	Prerequisites	T	P	ECTS
POLS204	Comparative Political Analysis	POLS102	3	1	6
SOC201	Social Theory	SOC102	3	0	6
HIST202	History of the Balkans		3	0	6
	Faculty Elective 1		3	0	6
	Program Elective 1 See Table 1		3	0	6
Semester Total =			30		
Semester V					
Code	Title	Prerequisites	T	P	ECTS
POLS306	Religion and Politics	Junior standing	3	1	6
SPS311	Quantitative Research Methods	Junior standing	3	2	6
POLS301	Political Philosophy	Junior standing	3	1	6
POLS304	Politics in BiH	Junior standing	3	1	6
	Program Elective 2 See Table 1	Junior standing	3	0	6
Semester Total =			30		
Semester VII					
Code	Title	Prerequisites	T	P	ECTS
HIST309	Social and Economic History of Europe	Senior standing	3	0	6
SPS370	Work Placement/Internship	Senior standing	0	14	6
	Program Elective 4 See Table 1	Senior standing	3	0	6
	Program Elective 5 See Table 1	Senior standing	3	0	6
	Free Elective 1		3	0	6
Semester Total =			30		
Abbreviations: T (Theory), P (Practice), ECTS credit					
Total Credits Required for Graduation					240
Total Credits of Electives					78

Semester II					
Code	Title	Prerequisites	T	P	ECTS
ELIT200	Critical Reading and Writing		2	1	6
SOC102	Introduction to Sociology		3	0	6
IR101	Introduction to International Relations		3	0	6
	University Elective 2 See Table 3		3	0	6
	University Elective 3 See Table 2		2	0	3
	Foreign Language Elective 2		2	0	3
Semester Total =			30		
Semester IV					
Code	Title	Prerequisites	T	P	ECTS
POLS211	Politics and the Media		3	1	6
HIST201	Historical Thought		3	0	6
POLS212	Political Participation		3	1	6
IR215	EU System	IR101	3	1	6
	Faculty Elective 2		3	0	6
Semester Total =			30		
Semester VI					
Code	Title	Prerequisites	T	P	ECTS
POLS303	Survey of Political History	Junior standing	3	1	6
SPS312	Qualitative Research Methods	Junior standing	3	2	6
POLS302	Contemporary Political Thought	POLS301	3	1	6
SOC351	Political Sociology	Junior standing	3	0	6
	Program Elective 3 See Table 1	Junior standing	3	0	6
Semester Total =			30		
Semester VIII					
Code	Title	Prerequisites	T	P	ECTS
SOC404	New Social Movements	Senior standing	3	0	6
POLS407	Politics and Governance in the Balkans	Senior standing	3	0	6
POLS499	Graduation Project	Senior standing	2	2	6
	Free Elective 2		3	0	6
	Free Elective 3		3	0	6
Semester Total =			30		
No. of Courses					42
Minimum ECTS Credits for Applied / Practical Component of the Curriculum					39
Elective Ratio					33%

5 Program Electives are taken from junior, senior or graduate level courses in IR, HIST, LAW, POLS or SOC, a sample list is given below.

3 Free Elective courses are taken from any program in any faculty.

3 University Electives are taken from SPS University Elective Courses List.

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

2 Faculty courses are taken from any programs at FASS apart from SPS program.

This new curriculum is being implemented for the new freshman students who entered the freshman class in the year 2017 or after.

In exceptional cases only, Faculty council may make a decision for a student bypass a prerequisite for any course.

Work placement/Internship is typically practiced in summer for a period of at least 25 work days, totalling at least 200 hours.

Junior standing: The students must have completed at least 108 ECTS successfully.

Senior standing: The students must have completed at least 168 ECTS successfully.

Table 1: Program Electives for SPS students

Code	Title	Pre-requisites	Hours	ECTS	Code	Title	Pre-requisites	Hours	ECTS	
POLS223	Nations, Ethnicities and Ideologies			6	IR211	International Relations Theories	IR101	3	1	6
POLS401	Philosophical Approaches to Modernity	Senior standing		6	IR212	Politics in Europe	IR101	3	1	6
POLS410	Politics in the Middle East	Senior standing		6	IR213	International Issues in the Balkans	IR101	3	1	6
POLS412	Issues in Turkish Politics	Senior standing		6	IR216	Foreign Policy Analysis	IR101	3	1	6
HIST221	Early Ottoman History			6	IR301	Political Geography and Geopolitics	IR101	3	1	6
HIST222	Late Ottoman History			6	IR305	International Organizations	IR101	3	1	6
HIST304	History of World Religions	Junior standing		6	IR331	Diplomatic History	Junior standing			6
HIST313	History of the Middle East	Junior standing		6	IR333	Turkish Foreign Policy	Junior standing			6
HIST331	Early Islamic History	Junior standing		6	IR334	US Foreign Policy	Junior standing			6
HIST361	History of the United States	Junior standing		6	IR337	Russian and Post-Soviet Politics	Junior standing			6
SOC311	Sociology of Religion	Junior standing		6	IR339	Latin America in World Politics	Junior standing			6
SOC314	Sociology of Everyday Life	Junior standing		6	IR461	Conflict Analysis	Junior standing			6
SOC321	Urban Sociology	Junior standing		6	IR462	Ethnicity and Ethnic Conflicts	Senior standing			6
SOC410	Community Studies	Junior standing		6	IR463	Migration, Refugees and Diasporas	Senior standing			6
SOC412	Multiculturalism and Social Change	Junior standing		6	IR464	Studies in Genocide	Senior standing			6
CULT310	Bosnian Cultural Heritage I	Junior standing		6	IR472	Human Rights	Senior standing			6
CULT311	Bosnian Cultural Heritage II	Junior standing		6	IR476	Global Environmental Issues	Senior standing			6

Other 2xx, 3xx, 4xx or 5xx level courses from other programs at IUS can be taken as program elective with the consent of the Program Coordinator

Table 2: Pool of 3 ECTS University Courses for 2017-2018

Code	Title	Prerequisites	T	P	ECTS
ARCH107	Understanding Art and Architecture		2	0	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
NS111	Understanding Nature and Knowledge		2	0	3
NS112	Understanding Science and Technology		2	0	3
SPS140	Understanding Religion		2	0	3
TURK121	Spoken Turkish I *		2	0	3
BOS121	Spoken Bosnian I *		2	0	3
TURK122	Spoken Turkish II **	TURK121	2	0	3
BOS122	Spoken Bosnian II **	BOS121	2	0	3
* Scholarship students will take either TURK121 / BOS 121					
** Scholarship students will take either TURK122 / BOS 122					

Table 3: Pool of 6 ECTS University Courses for 2017-2018

Code	Title	Prerequisites	T	P	ECTS
CS103	Introduction to Programming		3	2	6
ECON111	Introduction to Microeconomics		3	0	6
ECON112	Introduction to Macroeconomics		3	0	6
ELIT101	Introduction to Literature		2	1	6
ENS105	The Brain		3	0	6
IBF205	Principles of International Business		3	0	6
MAN102	Introduction to Management		3	0	6
NS102	Physics		3	0	6
NS103	Biology		3	2	6
NS104	General Chemistry		3	0	6
POLS102	Introduction to Political Science		3	2	6
PSY103	Introduction to Psychology		3	0	6
SOC102	Introduction to Sociology		3	0	6
SPS103	Law and Ethics		3	0	6
SPS120	Critical Thinking		3	0	6
SPS150	World History		3	0	6
VA121	History of Art I		3	0	6

Table 4: Faculty Electives

Code	Name	Hours	ECTS	Code	Name	Hours	ECTS				
ITA101	Spoken Italian I	3	0	6	PSY215	Adolescent Psychology	2	1	6		
ITA102	Spoken Italian II	3	0	6	PSY301	Cultural Psychology	2	1	6		
SPA101	Spoken Spanish I	3	0	6	PSY314	Educational Psychology	2	1	6		
SPA102	Spoken Spanish II	3	0	6	PSY406	Positive Psychology	2	1	6		
EDU301	Inclusion in Foreign Language Teaching	3	0	6	PSY407	Psycholinguistics	2	1	6		
EDU322	Pedagogy	2	1	6	PSY421	Psychology of Religion	2	1	6		
ELIT201	Academic Writing	ELIT200	1	2	6	PSY437	Human Resources	2	1	6	
ELIT208	Classical Mythology		3	0	6	PSY457	Emotion and Cognition	2	1	6	
ELT310	English Morphology		2	1	6	SOC201	Social Theory	3	0	6	
ELT312	Introduction to Discourse Analysis		2	1	6	SOC351	Political Sociology	Junior standing	3	0	6
ELT421	Introduction to Psycholinguistics		2	1	6	VA102	Introduction to Visual Communication		2	1	6
ELT422	Introduction to Sociolinguistics		2	1	6	VA121	History of Art		3	0	6
HIST201	Historical Thought		3	0	6	VA316	Advertising	Junior standing	1	2	6
HIST202	History of the Balkans		3	0	6	VA318	New Media II	Junior standing	2	1	6
LITE207	Creative Writing		1	2	6	VA322	History of Art II	Junior standing	2	1	6
LITE308	Literature on Film		2	1	6	VA342	Introduction to Documentary Film	Junior standing	1	2	6
POLS211	Politics and the Media		3	1	6						
POLS301	Political Philosophy	Junior standing	3	1	6						
POLS304	Politics in BiH	Junior standing	3	1	6						

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