

# BACHELOR OF ARTS IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS - QUANTITATIVE REASONING CATEGORY III/IV AND STRETCH ENGLISH

120 Total Units Required  
Minimum Number of Units in the Major: 43

Course	Title	Units
<b>First Semester</b>		
ENG 104	Writing the First Year: Finding Your Voice Stretch I <sup>1</sup>	3
I R 104	Introduction to World Affairs (Major Core, D1, ES, GP, SJ)	3
GE Area A <sup>2</sup>		3
GE Area B: Quantitative Reasoning (B4) <sup>3</sup>		3
B4 Support Course <sup>3</sup>		2-3
Units		15
<b>Second Semester</b>		
ENG 105	Writing the First Year: Finding Your Voice Stretch II (A2) <sup>1</sup>	3
GE Area A		3
GE Area B: Physical Science (B1) and Laboratory Science (B3) <sup>4</sup>		3-4
GE Area C		3
Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective <sup>5</sup>		3
Units		15-16
<b>Third Semester</b>		
GE Area B: Life Science (B2) and Laboratory Science (B3) <sup>4</sup>		3
GE Area C		3
GE Area D		3
GE Area E		3
Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective <sup>5</sup>		3
Units		15
<b>Fourth Semester</b>		
GE Area C		3
GE Area D		3
Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective – Take Three <sup>5</sup>		9
Units		15

<b>Fifth Semester</b>		
I R 308	Fundamentals of International Relations Theories, Issues, and Perspectives (Major Core)	4
I R 310	U.S. Foreign Policy (Major Core, UD-D, AERM, GP)	4
Major Electives (18 units) - Take One <sup>6</sup>		3
GE Area UD-B: Upper-Division Physical and/or Life Sciences (Consider SF State Studies Course)		3
Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective <sup>5</sup>		2
Units		16
<b>Sixth Semester</b>		
I R 309GW	International Relations Analysis and Application - GVAR	4
I R 312	Introduction to International Political Economy (Major Core)	4
Major Electives (18 units) - Take One <sup>6</sup>		3
GE Area UD-C: Upper-Division Arts and/or Humanities (Consider SF State Studies Course)		3
Units		14
<b>Seventh Semester</b>		
Major Electives (18 units) – Take Two <sup>5</sup>		6
GE Area UD-C: Upper-Division Arts and/or Humanities (Consider SF State Studies Course)		3
Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective – Take Two <sup>5</sup>		6
Units		15
<b>Eighth Semester</b>		
I R 550	Senior Thesis in International Relations (Major Culminating Requirement)	6
Major Electives (18 units) – Take Two <sup>5</sup>		6
Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective <sup>5</sup>		3
Units		15
Total Units		120-121

<sup>1</sup> ENG 114 can only be taken if you complete Directed Self-Placement (DSP) and select ENG 114; if you choose ENG 104/ENG 105 through DSP you will satisfy A2 upon successful completion of ENG 105 in the second semester; multilingual students may be advised into alternative English courses.

<sup>2</sup> To avoid taking additional units, it is recommended that you meet **SF State Studies** requirements (AERM, GP, ES, SJ) within your GE or major.

<sup>3</sup> Depending on courses completed through Early Start, students in Pathway/Category III or IV may be required to enroll in a support course to complement their Quantitative Reasoning/B4 requirement. There are multiple course options for this pathway. Before enrolling in a B4 course, students should verify their MATH Pathway/Category in their [Student Center](#). Information regarding the courses that correspond with your MATH Pathway/Category can be found on the [Developmental Studies Office Website](#).

<sup>4</sup> Consider taking a class combined with a laboratory or a separate lab to fulfill B3 if not already satisfied.

<sup>5</sup> **Complementary Studies**

12 units of Complementary Studies are required of all candidates for the Bachelor of Arts degree in International Relations. These units must come from courses bearing a prefix other than I R, and not cross-listed with I R.

International Relations majors are offered several pathways toward completing this requirement, each of which is designed to facilitate graduation in a timely manner. International Relations majors may, with the approval of an International Relations advisor, elect to apply 12 units in a single foreign language of their choosing, courses taken in an approved study abroad program (e.g., CSU Study Abroad), courses taken as part of a second major, a minor or a certificate, and courses in a related discipline. Related disciplines typically include: political science, sociology, anthropology, environmental studies, geography, global health, or journalism.

Up to six units of a single language or six upper-division units of Complementary Studies may, with the approval of a departmental advisor, also be counted as International Relations electives in fulfillment of major requirements.

Note: Courses fulfilling the IR major core requirement may not be taken on a CR/NC basis.

<sup>6</sup> **Major Electives (18 Units)**

Students are required to complete 18 elective units related to international relations. 12 units of coursework must have an I R prefix or be cross-listed with I R. Six additional units may be taken outside of the department upon approval of a major advisor. Elective units must be upper-division courses (300-level or above) with the exception of language courses taken in the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures.