# Bachelor of Arts in International Relations Roadmap

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

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<td>Fundamentals of International Relations Theories, Issues, and Perspectives</td>
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| **Eighth Semester**                            |   |
| I R 550                                        | Proseminar in Foreign Policy Analysis | 6 |
| Emphasis Electives (18 units) – Take Two | 6 |
| Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective | 3 |
| **Units**                                     | 15|

**Total Units** 120-121

1. To avoid taking additional units, it is recommended that you meet **LLD and SF State Studies** requirements (AERM, GP, ES, SJ) within your GE or major.

2. 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.

3. **Complementary Studies**
   Twelve 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.

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

5. Students are encouraged to select an emphasis by choosing course work in **Area Studies, International Institutions, or Global Problems** in consultation with an advisor. Twelve units of course work must be in I R.