

BACHELOR OF ARTS WITH A MAJOR IN INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

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ADMISSIONS

For information about the admission process, including deadlines, visit the Office of Undergraduate Admissions website (<https://undergraduate.admissions.gwu.edu/>). Applications can be submitted via the Common Application (<https://go.gwu.edu/commonapp/>).

Supporting documents not submitted online should be mailed to:

Office of Undergraduate Admissions
The George Washington University
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Washington, DC 20052

For questions visit undergraduate.admissions.gwu.edu/contact-us (<http://undergraduate.admissions.gwu.edu/contact-us/>).

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

General requirements

Elliott School bachelor's degrees engage students with global issues through multidisciplinary and interdisciplinary approaches. Students begin their studies in the first year with foundational courses in political science, economics, history, and anthropology or geography. They supplement these courses with others in the traditional liberal arts categories of writing, natural or physical science, mathematics or statistics, and the humanities/creative arts, plus two writing in the disciplines courses. Language study also is emphasized early to enable students to satisfy the third-year language proficiency requirement of the bachelor's degree in a timely manner.

Introduction to the major

Code	Title	Credits
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Prerequisite core (19 credits)

Required

The following courses must be taken in the first year. With the exception of IAFF 1001 (fall), ECON 1011 (fall) and ECON 1012 (spring), courses can be taken in fall or spring. IAFF 1001 is not required for internal or external transfer students.

IAFF 1001	First-Year Experience
IAFF 1005	Introduction to International Affairs
ECON 1011	Principles of Economics I
ECON 1012	Principles of Economics II
HIST 1011	World History from 1500 to Present
PSC 1001	Introduction to Comparative Politics

One of the following (not required in the first year):

ANTH 1002	Sociocultural Anthropology
ANTH 1004	Language in Culture and Society
GEOG 1001	Introduction to Human Geography
GEOG 1003	Society and Environment

GEOG 1003 does not meet the prerequisite requirement for all upper-level geography courses.

Supporting courses in the liberal arts

Code	Title	Credits
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Writing (minimum 10 credits)

Writing requirements are established by the University Writing Program. Students must complete UW 1020 before completing 6 credits in writing in the disciplines (WID) courses. These 6 credits must be taken in separate semesters. UW 1020 must be completed in the first year before enrolling in a WID course for credit toward this requirement. WID courses should be taken in the student's major, minor, or a related field. WID courses are designated in this Bulletin with a "W" appended to the course number (e.g., HIST 2340W).

Required

UW 1020	University Writing
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At least 6 credits in two WID courses.

Mathematics or statistics (3 credits)

MATH courses numbered 1051 and above require a placement test. Credit for only one of the following MATH courses may be applied toward a degree: MATH 1221, MATH 1231, or MATH 1252. Credit for only one of the following STAT courses may be applied toward a degree: STAT 1051, STAT 1053, STAT 1111, or STAT 1127. STAT courses may not be double-counted between the Mathematics requirement and the Research Methods requirement (see “Major Requirements.”)

One of the following:

MATH 1007 Mathematics and Politics

MATH 1008 History of Mathematics

MATH 1009 Mathematical Ideas I

MATH 1051 Finite Mathematics for the Social and Management Sciences

MATH 1221 Calculus with Precalculus II

MATH 1231 Single-Variable Calculus I

MATH 1232 Single-Variable Calculus II

MATH 1252 Calculus for the Social and Management Sciences

MATH 2233 Multivariable Calculus

STAT 1051 Introduction to Business and Economic Statistics

STAT 1053 Introduction to Statistics in Social Science

STAT 1111 Business and Economic Statistics I

STAT 1127 Statistics for the Biological Sciences

Science (3 to 4 credits), lab required

One of the following:

ANTH 1001 Biological Anthropology

ANTH 3412 Hominin Evolution

ASTR 1001 Stars, Planets, and Life in the Universe

ASTR 1002 Origins of the Cosmos

BISC 1005 The Biology of Nutrition and Health

BISC 1006 The Ecology and Evolution of Organisms

BISC 1007 Food, Nutrition, and Service

BISC 1008 Understanding Organisms through Service Learning

BISC 1111 Introductory Biology: Cells and Molecules

BISC 1112 Introductory Biology: The Biology of Organisms

CHEM 1003 Energy, Environment, and Society: Current Issues and Future Outlook

CHEM 1004 Medicinal Chemistry: from Atoms to Vaccines

CHEM 1111 General Chemistry I

CHEM 1112 General Chemistry II

FORS 2107 Fundamentals of Forensic Science

GEOG 1002 Introduction to Physical Geography

GEOL 1001 Physical Geology

GEOL 1002 Historical Geology

GEOL 1005 Environmental Geology

GTCH 3202 Research Methods in Mathematics and Science

HONR 1033 Honors Seminar: Scientific Reasoning and Discovery

HONR 1034 Honors Seminar: Scientific Reasoning and Discovery (continuation of HONR 1033)

PHYS 1003 Physics for Future Presidents

PHYS 1007 Music and Physics

PHYS 1011 General Physics I

PHYS 1012 General Physics II

PHYS 1021 University Physics I

PHYS 1022 University Physics II

PHYS 1025 University Physics I with Biological Applications

PHYS 1026 University Physics II with Biological Applications

Humanities/creative arts (9 credits)*

This requirement can be satisfied by completing 9 credits in humanities courses, or 6 credits in humanities courses and 3 credits in creative arts courses.

Humanities—two or three of the following:

AMST 1100 Politics and Film

AMST 1160 Race, Gender, and Law

AMST 1200 The Sixties in America

AMST 2010	Early American Cultural History	AMST 2450	History and Meaning of Higher Education in the United States
or HIST 2010	Early American Cultural History	AMST 2520	American Architecture I
AMST 2011	Modern American Cultural History	or CAH 2154	American Architecture I
or HIST 2011	Modern American Cultural History	AMST 2521	American Architecture II
AMST 2020	Washington, DC: History, Culture, and Politics	AMST 2600	U.S. Popular Music and Culture
or AMST 2020W	Washington, DC: History, Culture, and Politics	AMST 2610	Science, Technology, and Politics in Modern America
or HIST 2020	Washington, DC: History, Culture, and Politics	or AMST 2610W	Science, Technology, and Politics in Modern America
or HIST 2020W	Washington, DC: History, Culture, and Politics	or HIST 2610	Science, Technology, and Politics in Modern America
AMST 2120W	Freedom in American Thought and Popular Culture	or HIST 2610W	Science, Technology, and Politics in Modern America
or PSC 2120W	Freedom in American Thought and Popular Culture	AMST 2620	Human Mind and Artificial Intelligence
AMST 2210	The African American Experience	AMST 2630	Discovering the Mind
AMST 2320	U.S. Media and Cultural History	AMST 2710	The United States in the World
or HIST 2320	U.S. Media and Cultural History	or HIST 2710	The United States in the World
AMST 2350	U.S. Religion and Politics	AMST 2730	World War II in History and Memory
or HIST 2350	U.S. Religion and Politics	or AMST 2730W	World War II in History and Memory
AMST 2380	Sexuality in U.S. History	or HIST 2730	World War II in History and Memory
or HIST 2380	Sexuality in U.S. History	or HIST 2730W	World War II in History and Memory
or WGSS 2380	Sexuality in U.S. History	AMST 2750W	Latinos in the United States
AMST 2385	Sex and Citizenship	or AMST 2750	Latinos in the United States
or AMST 2385W	Sex and Citizenship	or ANTH 2750	Latinos in the United States
or WGSS 2385	Sex and Citizenship	or ANTH 2750W	Latinos in the United States
or WGSS 2385W	Sex and Citizenship	AMST 3352	U.S. Women's History to 1865
AMST 2410	Modern U.S. Immigration	or AMST 3352W	U.S. Women's History to 1865
or AMST 2410W	Modern U.S. Immigration	or HIST 3352	U.S. Women's History to 1865
or HIST 2410	Modern U.S. Immigration	or HIST 3352W	U.S. Women's History to 1865
or HIST 2410W	Modern U.S. Immigration	or WGSS 3352	U.S. Women's History to 1865
AMST 2430	Capitalism and Culture	or WGSS 3352W	U.S. Women's History to 1865
AMST 2440	The American City	AMST 3361	African American History Since 1865
or AMST 2440W	The American City	or HIST 3361	African American History Since 1865
or HIST 2440	The American City		
or HIST 2440W	The American City		

AMST 3600	Popular Music and Politics
AMST 3625	Ethnographic and Historical Perspectives on Data Ethics
or ANTH 3625	Ethnographic and Historical Perspectives on Data Ethics
ANTH 2505	Introduction to Ethnomusicology
ANTH 2506	Religion, Myth, and Magic
ANTH 2750	Latinos in the United States
or ANTH 2750W	Latinos in the United States
or AMST 2750W	Latinos in the United States
ANTH 3625	Ethnographic and Historical Perspectives on Data Ethics
or AMST 3625	Ethnographic and Historical Perspectives on Data Ethics
ARAB 3105	Special Topics (Arabic Literature: Arabia to America) -- or IAFF 3188 (Arabic Literature: Arabia to America)
ARAB 3105	Special Topics (Contemporary Arabic Literature)
ARAB 3105	Special Topics (Gender and The Arab World: Gender, Love, and Friendship in the Arab World: Past and Present -- or WGSS 3170 (Gender and The Arab World: Gender, Love, and Friendship in the Arab World: Past and Present))
ARAB 3105	Special Topics (Islamic Political Thought)
ARAB 3105W	Special Topics (topic: Gender and the Arab World. Same as HIST 3001W and WGSS 3170W: Gender and the Arab World)
ARAB 3301	Modern Arabic Literature
ARAB 3501	Arabic and Arab Identity
ARAB 3502	Arab Film and Culture in English
ARAB 4002	Arabic Narratives Through the Ages
Any Corcoran Art History (CAH) course except CAH 4197, CAH 4198, and CAH 4199.	
CAH 1090	Art History I: Art Now, Contemporary Perspectives in the Visual Arts
CHIN 3109	Introduction to Classical Chinese I
CHIN 3110	Introduction to Classical Chinese II

CHIN 3112	Chinese Literature in Translation II
CHIN 3116	Language Policy of China
CHIN 3136W	Chinese Women in Myth, Literature, and Film
CHIN 3162	Chinese Culture Through Film
CHIN 3163	Taiwanese Literature and Film
CHIN 3173	Chinese Drama and Theatre
Any non-language Classical Studies (CLAS) course.	
CLAS 2105	Special Topics (topic: The Hebrew Scriptures. Same as JSTD 2001 and REL 1009: The Hebrew Scriptures)
CLAS 2113	The Roman World to 337 A.D. (Same as HIST 2113: The Roman World to 337 A.D.)
CLAS 2804	History of Ancient Israel
or HIST 2804	History of Ancient Israel
or REL 3990	Selected Topics in Religion
CTAD 1015	Understanding Dance
CTAD 1025	Understanding the Theatre
CTAD 1020	Women and the Creative Process
CTAD 2185	Trends in Performance--Action into Art
CTAD 2191	Dance History
CTAD 2240	Play Analysis
CTAD 3245	History of the Theatre I
or CTAD 3245W	History of the Theatre I
CTAD 3246	History of the Theatre II
or CTAD 3246W	History of the Theatre II
EALL 3811	Confucian Literature in East Asia
or REL 2811	Confucian Literature in East Asia
EALL 3814	Religion and Philosophy in East Asia
or EALL 3814W	Religion and Philosophy in East Asia
or REL 2814	Religion and Philosophy in East Asia
ENGL 1050	Introduction to Literary Studies
ENGL 1315	Literature and the Financial Imagination
ENGL 1320	Literature of the Americas

or ENGL 1320W	Literature of the Americas	ENGL 2711	Postcolonialism and Migration in Global Anglophone Literature and Film
ENGL 1330	Myths of Britain	or ENGL 2711W	Postcolonialism and Migration in Global Anglophone Literature and Film
or ENGL 1330W	Myths of Britain	or WGSS 2711W	Postcolonialism and Migration in Global Anglophone Literature and Film
ENGL 1340	Essential Shakespeare	ENGL 2712	Bollywood Cinema
or ENGL 1340W	Essential Shakespeare	ENGL 2800	Introduction to Critical Theory
ENGL 1351	Shakespeare Seminar	or ENGL 2800W	Introduction to Critical Theory
ENGL 1360	Fantasy and Speculative Fiction (Same as WGSS 3170: Fantasy and Speculative Fiction)	ENGL 3210	Readings in Creative Writing
ENGL 1365	Literature and the Environment	ENGL 3240	Introduction to Dramaturgy
ENGL 1500	American Political Fictions	or CTAD 3240	Introduction to Dramaturgy
ENGL 2100	Introduction to Asian American Studies through Literature	ENGL 3400	Topics in Literature and Finance
ENGL 2410	Introduction to English Literature I	ENGL 3446	Shakespearean London
or ENGL 2410W	Introduction to English Literature I	ENGL 3621	American Poetry II
ENGL 2411	Introduction to English Literature II	ENGL 3730	Topics in Global Postcolonial Literature and Film
or ENGL 2411W	Introduction to English Literature II	or ENGL 3730W	Topics in Global Postcolonial Literature and Film
ENGL 2510	Introduction to American Literature I	ENGL 3826	Toni Morrison and William Faulkner
or ENGL 2510W	Introduction to American Literature I	ENGL 3910	Disability Studies
ENGL 2511	Introduction to American Literature II	ENGL 3918	Literature and Medicine
or ENGL 2511W	Introduction to American Literature II	FREN 2500	Cultural Politics of Food in France
ENGL 2610	Introduction to Black Literature of America I	FREN 3020	Contemporary France
or ENGL 2610W	Introduction to Black Literature of America I	FREN 3100	Introduction to French Literature
ENGL 2611	Introduction to Black Literature of America II	or FREN 3100W	Introduction to French Literature
or ENGL 2611W	Introduction to Black Literature of America II	FREN 3220	Modern French Literature
or WGSS 2710	Postcolonialism, Race, and Gender in Global Anglophone Literature and Film	FREN 3500	Race, Religion, and Identity in France
ENGL 2710	Postcolonialism, Race, and Gender in Global Anglophone Literature and Film	FREN 3560	Topics in Contemporary Francophone Literature and Cinema (Contemporary Francophone Literature/Cinema French Literature of the Renaissance)
or ENGL 2710W	Postcolonialism, Race, and Gender in Global Anglophone Literature and Film	FREN 3700	History of French Cinema
or WGSS 3170	Special Topics in Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies	FREN 4510	French Literature of the Renaissance
or WGSS 3170W	Selected Topics	FREN 4540	Nineteenth-Century French Literature and Culture

Any Film Studies (FILM) course.

GER 2091	Introduction to German Literature—in English I	HIST 2001	Special Topics (African History Through the Novel)
GER 2092	Introduction to German Literature—in English II	HIST 2001	Special Topics (Capitalism and Inequality, From the Industrial Revolution to the Present)
GER 2110	Germany in the Age of Globalization	HIST 2001	Special Topics (topic: Modern European Women's History. Same as WGSS 3170: Modern European Women's History)
GER 2161	German Culture—in English I	HIST 2001	Special Topics (The Crusades)
GER 2162	German Culture—in English II	HIST 2001	Special Topics (War & Peace In Israeli Society)
GER 3182	The Fairy Tale from the Grimms to Disney	HIST 2010	Early American Cultural History
GER 3185	Literary Voices and the Fascist Experience—in English	or AMST 2010	Early American Cultural History
GER 3187	German Cinema after 1945	HIST 2011	Modern American Cultural History
GER 4171	The Age of Goethe—in German	or AMST 2011	Modern American Cultural History
HEBR 3101	Modern Hebrew Literary Classics in Translation	HIST 2020	Washington, DC: History, Culture, and Politics
HEBR 3102	Israeli Society and Culture: Literary Perspectives	or HIST 2020W	Washington, DC: History, Culture, and Politics
HEBR 3103	Israeli Cinema (in English) (same as HIST 3001 and JSTD 2002 (Israeli Cinema [in English]))	or AMST 2020	Washington, DC: History, Culture, and Politics
HEBR 3104W	Gender and Sexuality in Israel (Same as JSTD 2002W and WGSS 3170W: Gender and Sexuality in Israel)	or AMST 2020W	Washington, DC: History, Culture, and Politics
HEBR 3301	Modern Hebrew Fiction	HIST 2050	History of Jewish Civilization: From the Bible to Modernity
or HEBR 3301W	Modern Hebrew Fiction	HIST 2051	Antisemitism from Origins to the Present
HEBR 4001	Advanced Hebrew Literature I	HIST 2060	Modern Jewish History
or HEBR 4001W	Advanced Hebrew Literature I	HIST 2113	The Roman World to 337 A.D. (Same as CLAS 2113: The Roman World to 337 A.D.)
HEBR 4002	Advanced Hebrew Literature II	HIST 2124	Nineteenth-Century Europe
HIST 1020	Approaches to Women's History (Same as WGSS 1020: Approaches to Women's History)	HIST 2125	Twentieth-Century Europe
HIST 1110	Foundations of Europe to 1715	HIST 2131	History of England Since 1689
HIST 1120	Europe in the World Since 1715	HIST 2141	History of France Since 1789
or HIST 1120W	European Civilization in its World Context	HIST 2160	History of Germany
HIST 1121	The War of Ideas in European and International History, 1750-Present	HIST 2312	The American Civil War and Reconstruction, 1850-1877
HIST 1310	Introduction to American History from the Pre-Columbian Era to 1877	HIST 2313	History of the American West
HIST 1311	Introduction to American History since 1877	HIST 2320	U.S. Media and Cultural History
		or AMST 2320	U.S. Media and Cultural History
		HIST 2321	U.S. History, 1890-1945

HIST 2322	U.S. History since 1945	HIST 3001W	Special Topics (topic: Gender and Sexuality in Israel. Same as HEBR 3104W, JSTD 2002W, WGSS 3170W)
HIST 2350	U.S. Religion and Politics	HIST 3035	The United States and the Wars in Indochina, 1945–1975
or AMST 2350	U.S. Religion and Politics	HIST 3044W	The Price of Freedom: Normandy 1944
HIST 2380	Sexuality in U.S. History	HIST 3111	Topics in Ancient History
or AMST 2380	Sexuality in U.S. History	HIST 3324	U.S. Urban History
or WGSS 2380	Sexuality in U.S. History	HIST 3352	U.S. Women's History to 1865
HIST 2410	Modern U.S. Immigration	or HIST 3352W	U.S. Women's History to 1865
or AMST 2410	Modern U.S. Immigration	or AMST 3352	U.S. Women's History to 1865
or HIST 2410W	Modern U.S. Immigration	or AMST 3352W	U.S. Women's History to 1865
HIST 2440	The American City	or WGSS 3352	U.S. Women's History to 1865
or HIST 2440W	The American City	or WGSS 3352W	U.S. Women's History to 1865
or AMST 2440	The American City	HIST 3353	U.S. Women's History II
or AMST 2440W	The American City	HIST 3360	African American History to 1865
HIST 2520	Africans in the Making of the Atlantic World	or AMST 3360	African American History to 1865
HIST 2610	Science, Technology, and Politics in Modern America	HIST 3361	African American History Since 1865
or HIST 2610W	Science, Technology, and Politics in Modern America	or AMST 3361	African American History Since 1865
or AMST 2610	Science, Technology, and Politics in Modern America	HIST 3601	Topics: Asian History (China: Civil War and Holy War)
or AMST 2610W	Science, Technology, and Politics in Modern America	HIST 3611	History of Modern China
HIST 2630	History of Korea	HIST 3801	Topics in Middle Eastern History (topic: Gender and The Arab World: Gender, Love, and Friendship in the Arab World: Past and Present -- or ARAB 3105 or WGSS 3170 (Gender and The Arab World: Gender, Love, and Friendship in the Arab World: Past and Present))
HIST 2710	The United States in the World	HIST 3811	The Emergence of the Modern Middle East
or AMST 2710	The United States in the World	HONR 1016	Honors Seminar: Origins and Evolution of Modern Thought
HIST 2730	World War II in History and Memory	HONR 2053	Arts and Humanities Seminar (All topics offered under HONR 2053 and HONR 2053W are approved for this requirement)
or HIST 2730W	World War II in History and Memory	or HONR 2053W	Arts and Humanities Seminar
or AMST 2730	World War II in History and Memory	IAFF 3187	Special Topics in Latin American and Hemispheric Studies (Historical Memory and Human Rights in Chile)
or AMST 2730W	World War II in History and Memory		
HIST 2804	History of Ancient Israel (Same as CLAS 2804 and REL 3990: History of Ancient Israel)		
HIST 2811	The Formation of Islam to 1500		
HIST 2850	Modernization in Russia, Turkey, and Iran		

IAFF 3187	Special Topics in Latin American and Hemispheric Studies (Latin America in Motion: Indigenous Media, Cinema, and Social Movements)	MUS 1103	Music in the Western World
IAFF 3188	Special Topics in Middle East Studies (Arabic Literature: Arabia to America) -- or ARAB 3105 (Arabic Literature: Arabia to America)	MUS 1104	Topics in Music
IAFF 3189	Special Topics in African Studies (African Literature and Politics)	MUS 1105	Introduction to Musical Thought and Practice
IAFF 3189	Special Topics in African Studies (Hip Hop and Social Change in Africa)	MUS 1107	Music of the World
IAFF 3189	Special Topics in African Studies (West African Film and Literature)	MUS 1108	History of Jazz
IAFF 3190	Special Topics in International Affairs (Film and U.S. Foreign Policy)	MUS 2101	Harmony
ITAL 3300	Italian Literature and Culture in Translation (Pandemics in Italian Literature & Film)	MUS 2105	Introduction to Ethnomusicology (Same as ANTH 2505: Introduction to Ethnomusicology)
ITAL 3600	Special Topics in Italian Literature and Culture (La Divina Commedia di Dante)	MUS 2106	Music History III: Twentieth-Century Art Traditions
ITAL 4100	The Italian American Experience	MUS 2122	Music in the U.S.
ITAL 4184	Contemporary Italian Cinema	or MUS 2122W	Music in the U.S.
ITAL 4380	Italian Journeys Medieval to Postmodern	MUS 2123	Musical Cultures of Black Americans
JAPN 3111	Japanese Literature in Translation I	MUS 2174	Introduction to Jazz Harmony
JAPN 3112	Japanese Literature in Translation II	MUS 3126	Music History I: Antiquity through Early Baroque
JSTD 2001	Topics in Judaic Studies: Pre-modern (topic: Excavating Armageddon -- or CLAS 3115 or HIST 3111 (Excavating Armageddon))	MUS 3127	Music History II: The Tonal Era
JSTD 2001	Topics in Judaic Studies: Pre-modern (topic: The Hebrew Scriptures -- or CLAS 2105 or REL 1009 (The Hebrew Scriptures))	MUS 3139	Form and Analysis
KOR 3111	Korean Literature in Translation I	MUS 3174	Topics in Music Theory and Composition
KOR 3112	Korean Literature in Translation II	MUS 3175	Topics in Music History and Literature
LATN 2002	Poetry of Empire	PERS 3002	Media Persian
or LATN 2002W	Poetry of Empire	Any Philosophy (PHIL) course except PHIL 2045 and PHIL 3121.	
LATN 3001	Major Latin Authors I	PSC 2105	Major Issues of Western Political Thought I
or LATN 3001W	Major Latin Authors I	PSC 2106	Major Issues of Western Political Thought II
LATN 3002	Major Latin Authors II	PSC 2120W	Freedom in American Thought and Popular Culture
or LATN 3002W	Major Latin Authors II	or AMST 2120W	Freedom in American Thought and Popular Culture
		PSC 2991	Special Topics in Political Thought (topic: Global Justice. Same as PHIL 3100: Global Justice)
		PSTD 1010	Introduction to Peace Studies and Conflict Resolution
		Any Religion (REL) course.	
		SLAV 1392	Introduction to Russian Literature II

SLAV 2310	The Russian Media Since Communism
SLAV 2361	Russian Culture
SLAV 2362	Russian Culture
SPAN 2500	The Spanish-Speaking World: Spain, Latin America, and the United States
SPAN 3100	Texts and Contexts of the Spanish-Speaking World
or SPAN 3100W	Texts and Contexts of the Spanish-Speaking World
UNIV 1006	Questions of Culture
WGSS 1020	Approaches to Women's History (Same as HIST 1020: Approaches to Women's History)
WGSS 2225	Philosophy of Race And Gender
or PHIL 2125	Philosophy of Race and Gender
WGSS 2380	Sexuality in U.S. History
or AMST 2380	Sexuality in U.S. History
or HIST 2380	Sexuality in U.S. History
WGSS 2385	Sex and Citizenship
or WGSS 2385W	Sex and Citizenship
or AMST 2385	Sex and Citizenship
or AMST 2385W	Sex and Citizenship
WGSS 3170	Special Topics in Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies (Fantasy and Speculative Fiction. Same as ENGL 1360: Fantasy and Speculative Fiction)
WGSS 3170	Special Topics in Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies (Feminism, Migration, and Media)
WGSS 3170	Special Topics in Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies (topic: Modern European Women's History. Same as HIST 2001: Modern European Women's History)
WGSS 3170	Special Topics in Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies (topic: Writing, Literature, and Society. Same as WLP 3170: Writing, Literature, and Society)
WGSS 3352	U.S. Women's History to 1865
or WGSS 3352W	U.S. Women's History to 1865
or AMST 3352	U.S. Women's History to 1865

or AMST 3352W	U.S. Women's History to 1865
or HIST 3352	U.S. Women's History to 1865
or HIST 3352W	U.S. Women's History to 1865
WGSS 3353	U.S. Women's History II
WGSS 3481	Women in Islam
or REL 3481	Women in Islam
WGSS 3981	Women in Western Religion
or REL 2981	Women in Western Religion
WLP 1020	Writing, Literature, and Society
Literature and film classes in the Departments of Classical and Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations; East Asian Languages and Literatures; English; and Romance, German, Slavic Languages and Literatures also fulfill this requirement.	
Creative Arts—a maximum of 3 credits from the following:	
Any Corcoran Studio Arts (CSA) course.	
CHIN 3173	Chinese Drama and Theatre
Non-ensemble performance study (CMUS) courses, including:	
CMUS 1101	Elements of Music Theory
CMUS 1102	Comprehensive Musicianship I
CMUS 1106	Introduction to Performance
CMUS 2134	Composition
CMUS 2161	Sound Technology I Introduction to Digital Musicianship
CTAD 1170	Intermediate Modern/Postmodern Dance I
CTAD 1214	Beginning Acting
CTAD 2180	Movement Improvisation/Performance
CTAD 2240	Play Analysis (Same as ENGL 2240: Play Analysis)
CTAD 2250	Dramatic Writing
or ENGL 2250	Dramatic Writing
CTAD 2339	Theatre Practicum
CTAD 3174	Advanced Modern/Postmodern Dance I
CTAD 3182	Dance Composition I
CTAD 3183	Dance Composition II

CTAD 3186	Embodied Kinesis for Dance
CTAD 3240	Introduction to Dramaturgy
or ENGL 3240	Introduction to Dramaturgy
CTAD 3331	Introduction to Lighting
CTAD 3332	Theatrical Makeup Design
CTAD 3335	Introduction to Scene Design
CTAD 3336	Introduction to Costuming
CTAD 4275	Directing for the Theatre
CTAD 4338	Scene Painting
CTAD 4593	Special Topics in Theatre Performance (Acting the Musical)
ENGL 1210	Introduction to Creative Writing
ENGL 2210	Techniques in Creative Writing
ENGL 2250	Dramatic Writing (Same as CTAD 2250: Dramatic Writing)
ENGL 2460	Fiction Writing
ENGL 2470	Poetry Writing
ENGL 2560	Intermediate Fiction Writing
ENGL 3390	Topics in Creative Writing
Performance Study Courses (TRDA), including:	
TRDA 1035	Theatre Production
TRDA 1151	Beginning/Intermediate Ballet
TRDA 1152	Beginning Modern/Postmodern Dance
TRDA 1153	Beginning/Intermediate Modern/ Postmodern Dance
TRDA 1171	Intermediate Modern/Postmodern Dance II
TRDA 1330	Basics of Production Design
TRDA 2172	Intermediate/Advanced Modern/ Postmodern Dance I
TRDA 2173	Intermediate/Advanced Modern/ Postmodern Dance II
TRDA 2192	Repertory/Performance
TRDA 2193 & TRDA 2194	Dance Styles I and Dance Styles II

TRDA 2194	Dance Styles II
TRDA 2215	Intermediate Acting
TRDA 3175	Advanced Modern/Postmodern Dance II
TRDA 3222	Topics in Advanced Acting
TRDA 3250	Intermediate Dramatic Writing
TRDA 3333	Stage Management
TRDA 4184	Choreography and Performance

*Some CMUS and TRDA courses may be repeated for credit. Consult course descriptions in this Bulletin for additional information. All courses must be taken for a letter grade to fulfill this requirement. Courses taken Pass/No Pass are not accepted.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

The following requirements must be fulfilled:

The general requirements stated under Elliott School of International Affairs, Undergraduate Programs (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/international-affairs/#regulationstext>).

A minimum of 120 credits, including completion of a functional or regional concentration.

Advanced Fundamentals

Advanced fundamentals build on the introduction to the major (p. 1) and continue the student's education in the basic skills of international affairs. Fundamentals focus on central disciplines, such as economics, history, and political science, and relevant disciplines, such as anthropology and geography. In addition, students gain a broader understanding of at least two regions of the world outside of the United States.

A minimum grade of C- must be earned in all international affairs major courses. This includes advanced fundamentals, regional foundations, concentrations, and the language requirement (the last course used to prove third-year proficiency.)

With the exception of WID courses, courses may not be double-counted between any international affairs requirements.

The BA in international affairs and BS in international affairs programs cannot be combined as double majors or double degrees.

Advanced fundamental courses are divided into the following areas. Course options for each are listed below.

- Research methods (3 credits)
- International economics (3 or 6 credits)
- Historical analysis: U.S. foreign policy (3 credits)
- International and comparative politics (3 credits)
- Anthropology or geography (3 credits)

Note: STAT courses may not be counted toward both the research methods requirement and the math requirement.

Code	Title	Credits
Research methods (3 credits)		
One course pertaining to qualitative or quantitative social science research methods from the following:		
ANTH 3531	Methods in Sociocultural Anthropology	
APSC 3115	Engineering Analysis III	
DATS 1001	Data Science for All	
ECON 2123 or STAT 2123	Introduction to Econometrics	
GEOG 2104	Introduction to Cartography and GIS	
IAFF 2101	International Affairs Research Methods	
IAFF 2190	Special Topics (Political Risk Analysis)	
IAFF 2190	Special Topics (Program Design in International Affairs)	
IAFF 2190	Special Topics (Qualitative Research Methods)	
IAFF 3180W	Special Topics in Security Policy (Security Policy and Qualitative Analysis)	
IAFF 3190	Special Topics in International Affairs (International Conflict and Politics Research Seminar)	
IAFF 3190	Special Topics in International Affairs (Strategic Management and Qualitative Methods in International Affairs)	
IAFF 4191W	Research Seminar (International Conflict and Politics Research Seminar)	
IAFF 4191W	Research Seminar (Security Policy and Qualitative Analysis)	
PSC 2101	Scope and Methods of Political Science	
PSYC 2101	Research Methods in Psychology	
PUBH 3131	Epidemiology	
PUBH 3199	Topics in Public Health (Qualitative Research Methods)	
SMPA 2151	Research Methods	
SOC 2101	Social Research Methods	
SOC 2111	Field Research	

STAT 1051	Introduction to Business and Economic Statistics *
STAT 1053	Introduction to Statistics in Social Science *
STAT 1111	Business and Economic Statistics I *
STAT 1127	Statistics for the Biological Sciences *
STAT 2112	Business and Economic Statistics II
STAT 2123 or ECON 2123	Introduction to Econometrics
STAT 2183 or STAT 2183W	Intermediate Statistics Lab/Packages Intermediate Statistical Laboratory: Statistical Computing Packages

*Credit for only one of the following courses may be applied toward an Elliott School undergraduate degree: STAT 1051, STAT 1053, STAT 1111, or STAT 1127.

International economics (3 or 6 credits)

Code	Title	Credits
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3 or 6 credits (one or two courses) pertaining to the theory of international economics, selected from the two options below. Students pursuing the international economics concentration must select option two.

Option one (3 credits):

ECON 2180	Survey of International Economics
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Option two (6 credits):

ECON 2181 & ECON 2182	International Trade Theory and Policy and International Macroeconomic Theory and Policy
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Historical analysis: U.S. foreign policy (3 credits)

One of the following courses pertaining to the history of the U.S. approach to contemporary international affairs:

Code	Title	Credits
AMST 2710	The United States in the World (AMST 2710 was only approved for the Historical Analysis requirement in Fall 23 and Spring 24. Beginning in Fall 24, AMST 2710 will not be approved for the Historical Analysis requirement.)	
HIST 2340 or HIST 2340W	U.S. Diplomatic History	

HIST 3035	The United States and the Wars in Indochina, 1945–1975
HIST 3045	International History of the Cold War
HIST 3332	History of American Foreign Policy Since World War II (I)
HIST 3333	History of American Foreign Policy Since World War II (II)
HIST 3334	The Nuclear Arms Race
IAFF 3180W	Special Topics in Security Policy (U.S. Grand Strategy*)

*U.S. Grand Strategy is the only IAFF 3180W topic approved for this requirement.

International and comparative politics (3 credits)

One of the following courses pertaining to international political issues and theories from either an international relations or comparative politics perspective:

Code	Title	Credits
HONR 2047	Self and Society Seminar (Empires & Imperialism from Rome to Washington)	
HONR 2047	Self and Society Seminar (topic: Humanitarianism. Same as IAFF 3190 and PSC 2454: Humanitarianism)	
HONR 2047	Self and Society Seminar (topic: Political Development. Same as PSC 2993: Political Development)	
HONR 2047	Self and Society Seminar (topic: Reunification, Reconciliation, Resentment. Same as PSC 2993: Reunification, Reconciliation, Resentment)	
HONR 2047	Self and Society Seminar (topic: Transitional Justice. Same as IAFF 3180: Transitional Justice)	
IAFF 2190W	Special Topics (Women in Global Politics)	
IAFF 2444	International Law	
or PSC 2444	Public International Law	
IAFF 3172	Conflict and Conflict Resolution	
IAFF 3180	Special Topics in Security Policy (topic: Transitional Justice. Same as HONR 2047: Transitional Justice)	
IAFF 3180W	Special Topics in Security Policy (International Politics and Security Policy)	

IAFF 3180W	Special Topics in Security Policy (Security Policy and Qualitative Analysis)
IAFF 3184	Special Topics in Trade and International Economic Policy (topic: Theories of Comparative Political Economy; or IAFF 3187 Theories of Comparative Political Economics)
IAFF 3190	Special Topics in International Affairs (Congress & National Security Enterprise)
IAFF 3190	Special Topics in International Affairs (Global Governance)
IAFF 3190	Special Topics in International Affairs (Populist Authoritarianism)
IAFF 3190	Special Topics in International Affairs (topic: Humanitarianism. Same as HONR 2047 and PSC 2454: Humanitarianism)
IAFF 3190	Special Topics in International Affairs (Women, Rights, and Gender Equality)
IAFF 4191W	Research Seminar (International Politics and Security Policy)
IAFF 4191W	Research Seminar (topic: Security Policy and Qualitative Analysis. Same as IAFF 3180W: Security Policy and Qualitative Analysis)
PSC 2334	Global Perspectives on Democracy
PSC 2336	State–Society Relations in the Developing World
PSC 2337	Development Politics
PSC 2338	Nationalism
PSC 2339	Comparative Political Economy
PSC 2439	International Political Economy
PSC 2440	Theories of International Politics
PSC 2442	International Organizations
PSC 2444	Public International Law
or IAFF 2444	International Law
PSC 2446	U.S. Foreign Policy
PSC 2449	International Security Politics
PSC 2454	Humanitarianism (Same as HONR 2047 and IAFF 3190: Humanitarianism)

PSC 2991	Special Topics in Political Thought (Global Justice)
PSC 2993	Special Topics in Comparative Politics (Civil Wars)
PSC 2993	Special Topics in Comparative Politics (topic: Political Development. Same as HONR 2047: Political Development)
PSC 2993	Special Topics in Comparative Politics (Politics of Crime and Violence)
PSC 2993	Special Topics in Comparative Politics (Political Violence and the Jihadist Movement)
PSC 2993	Special Topics in Comparative Politics (topic: Reunification, Reconciliation, Resentment. Same as HONR 2047: Reunification, Reconciliation, Resentment)
PSC 2994	Special Topics in International Relations (Fear and Politics)
PSC 2994	Special Topics in International Relations (topic: Global Governance -- or HONR 2048 or IAFF 3190 (Global Governance))
PSC 2994	Special Topics in International Relations (U.S. Foreign Policy)

ANTH 3506	Politics, Ethnicity, and Nationalism
ANTH 3507	Kinship, Family, and Community
ANTH 3508	Art and Culture
ANTH 3513	Anthropology of Human Rights
or IAFF 3513	Human Rights and Ethics
ANTH 3601	Language, Culture, and Cognition
ANTH 3691	Special Topics in Linguistic Anthropology (topic: Anthropology of Religion. Same as REL 3990: Anthropology of Religion)
IAFF 3501	International Development Theory, Policy, and Practice
or ANTH 3501	Anthropology of Development
IAFF 3513	Human Rights and Ethics
or ANTH 3513	Anthropology of Human Rights
GEOG 2120	World Regional Geography
GEOG 2125	Transportation Systems and Networks
GEOG 2127	Population Geography
GEOG 2129	Biogeography
or GEOG 2129W	Biogeography
GEOG 2133	People, Land, and Food
GEOG 2134	Energy Resources
GEOG 2136	Water Resources
GEOG 2137	Environmental Hazards
GEOG 2141	Cities in the Developing World
GEOG 2147	Military Geography
GEOG 2148	Economic Geography
GEOG 3132	Environmental Quality and Management
GEOG 3143	Urban Sustainability
GEOG 3145	Cultural Geography
GEOG 3146	Political Geography
GEOG 3195	Special Topics in Human Geography (Agriculture and Sustainable Food Systems)
GEOG 3195	Special Topics in Human Geography (Geography of Development)

Anthropology or geography (3 credits)

One of the following courses in anthropology or geography relevant to international affairs. Many of these courses have lower-level prerequisites as detailed in course descriptions in this Bulletin.

Code	Title	Credits
One course from the following:		
ANTH 2501	The Anthropology of Gender: Cross-Cultural Perspectives	
ANTH 2506	Religion, Myth, and Magic	
or REL 2506	Religion, Myth, and Magic	
ANTH 3991	Special Topics (Politics of Infrastructure)	
ANTH 3501	Anthropology of Development	
or IAFF 3501	International Development Theory, Policy, and Practice	
ANTH 3502	Cultural Ecology	
ANTH 3503	Psychological Anthropology	
ANTH 3504	Illness, Healing, and Culture	

GEOG 3195	Special Topics in Human Geography (topic: Global Environmental Justice. Same as IAFF 3190: Global Environmental Justice)
GEOG 3195	Special Topics in Human Geography (Political Ecology)
GEOG 3275	Sustainable Food Systems
GEOG 3810	Planning Cities
IAFF 3190	Special Topics in International Affairs (topic: Global Environmental Justice. Same as GEOG 3195: Global Environmental Justice)
REL 2506	Religion, Myth, and Magic
or ANTH 2506	Religion, Myth, and Magic
REL 3990	Selected Topics in Religion (topic: Anthropology of Religion. Same as ANTH 3691: Anthropology of Religion)
SLHS 1084	Perspectives in Deaf Culture

IAFF 3189	Special Topics in African Studies (Africa in the Global Economy)
IAFF 3189	Special Topics in African Studies (Ethnic and Religious Conflict in Africa)
IAFF 3189	Special Topics in African Studies (International Affairs in Africa)
IAFF 3189	Special Topics in African Studies (New African Security Frontier)
IAFF 3189	Special Topics in African Studies (Religion in Africa)
IAFF 3189	Special Topics in African Studies (Women and Leadership in Africa)
IAFF 3190	Special Topics in International Affairs (China and Africa)
PSC 2381	Comparative Politics of Sub-Saharan Africa
PSC 2482	African International Politics
PSC 3192W	Proseminar: Political Science (Comparative Politics of Africa)
PSC 3192W	Proseminar: Political Science (Development Challenges in Africa)
PSC 3192W	Proseminar: Political Science (Government and Politics of Africa)

Regional foundations

Students take two courses from the following to gain an understanding of two regions of the world outside of the United States. These courses must be taken in two different regions.

Code	Title	Credits
Africa		
ANTH 3708	Anthropology of Africa	
GEOG 3164	The Geography of Africa	
HIST 3501	Topics: Africa (African History Since 1880)	
HIST 3510	African History to 1880	
HIST 3530	Women in Africa	
HIST 3540	West Africa to Independence	
IAFF 2093	Africa: Problems and Prospects	
IAFF 2190W	Special Topics (North Africa and the World) *	
IAFF 3189	Special Topics in African Studies (Africa: Declassified)	
IAFF 3189	Special Topics in African Studies (Africa & Globalization: Culture & Context)	
IAFF 3189	Special Topics in African Studies (African Literature and Politics)	

*IAFF 2190W (North Africa and the World) is not approved as a Regional Foundations course for students in the Middle East Studies program due to the degree of overlap between issues in North Africa and the Middle East.

Asia (Students in the BA in Asian studies program must fulfill the Regional Foundations requirement using a course focused in a world region other than Asia.)

ANTH 3703	Cultures of the Pacific
ANTH 3704	Cultures of Southeast Asia
ANTH 3705	Anthropology of East Asia
ANTH 3791	Topics in Regional Anthropology (Anthropology of South Asia)
ECON 2198	Special Topics in Economics - Regional (East Asian Economies)
GEOG 3165	Geography of South Asia
HIST 2605W	Majors' Introductory Seminar: Asia (Graverobbers on the Silk Road)
HIST 3601	Topics: Asian History (Empire and Legacies Northeast Asia: Russia, China, Japan)

HIST 3640	History of Southeast Asia
HIST 3650	Modern South Asia, 1750-Present
HONR 2047	Self and Society Seminar (Political Economies of China, India, and Beyond)
IAFF 2091	East Asia-Past and Present
IAFF 3186	Special Topics in Asian Studies (Asian Order and Community Building)
IAFF 3186	Special Topics in Asian Studies (Asian Security)
IAFF 3186	Special Topics in Asian Studies (Central Asia Security)
IAFF 3186	Special Topics in Asian Studies (Economic Development of East Asia)
IAFF 3186	Special Topics in Asian Studies (History and Politics of South Asia)
IAFF 3186	Special Topics in Asian Studies (Indo-Pacific Security Challenges)
IAFF 3186	Special Topics in Asian Studies (Memory and Reconciliation: Asia)
IAFF 3186	Special Topics in Asian Studies (Politics and Conflict of South Asia)
IAFF 3186	Special Topics in Asian Studies (South Asian Politics Via Literature and Film)
IAFF 3186	Special Topics in Asian Studies (Women in Asia)
IAFF 3186W	Special Topics in Asian Studies (Equitable Development in Southeast Asia)
IAFF 3753	International Relations of South Asia
IAFF 3756	Christianity and Islam in East Asia
PSC 2369	Comparative Politics of South Asia
PSC 2373	Comparative Politics of Southeast Asia
PSC 2475	International Relations of East Asia
PSC 3192W	Proseminar: Political Science (Politics and Protest in East Asia)
PSC 3192W	Proseminar: Political Science (Protest and Participation in East Asia)
PSC 3192W	Proseminar: Political Science (South Asia Politics Via Literature & Film)
Europe and Eurasia	

ECON 2199	Special Topics in Economics (Economics of the EU)
GEOG 3197	Special Topics in Regional Geography (Geography of Russia and Its Neighbors)
HIST 1120	Europe in the World Since 1715
or HIST 1120W	European Civilization in its World Context
HIST 1121	The War of Ideas in European and International History, 1750-Present
HIST 2001	Special Topics (Muslims, Christians and Jews in Medieval Spain)
HIST 2125	Twentieth-Century Europe
HIST 3126	European Integration: A History
HIST 3178	The Making of the Modern Balkans
IAFF 2092	Russia and Eastern Europe: An Introduction
IAFF 2094	Europe in Transition
IAFF 3185	Special Topics in European and Eurasian Studies (The West and Russia)
IAFF 3185	Special Topics in European and Eurasian Studies (Ukraine and Georgia between Russia and the West)
IAFF 3185	Special Topics in European and Eurasian Studies (Ukrainian Security)
IAFF 3190	Special Topics in International Affairs (European Economies and Crisis of Integration)
IAFF 4191W	Research Seminar (Europe)
PSC 2330	Comparative Politics of Western Europe
PSC 2331	Comparative Politics of Central and Eastern Europe
PSC 2332	European Integration
PSC 2994	Special Topics in International Relations (International Politics of Central and Eastern Europe)
Latin America (Students in the BA in Latin American and hemispheric studies program must fulfill the Regional Foundations requirement using a course focused in a world region other than Latin America.)	
ANTH 3702	Anthropology of Latin America
GEOG 3161	Geography of Latin America

HIST 3701	Topics in Latin American History (Latin America and the World Since 1820)	HIST 3811	The Emergence of the Modern Middle East
HIST 3710	History of Latin America I	IAFF 2095	The Middle East in International Affairs
HIST 3711	History of Latin America II	IAFF 2190W	Special Topics (Arab Politics)
or IAFF 3855	Argentina in Global Context	IAFF 2190W	Special Topics (Challenges and Change in the Middle East)
IAFF 2090	Latin America: Problems and Promise	IAFF 2190W	Special Topics (North Africa and the World)
IAFF 3177	Political Economy of Latin America	IAFF 2190W	Special Topics (Politics and Culture in the Middle East)
IAFF 3187	Special Topics in Latin American and Hemispheric Studies (Democracy Under Siege in Latin America)	IAFF 3188	Special Topics in Middle East Studies (National Security Lab Middle East)
IAFF 3187	Special Topics in Latin American and Hemispheric Studies (Economic and Social Development of Latin America)	IAFF 3188	Special Topics in Middle East Studies (The Middle East Since WWII)
IAFF 3187	Special Topics in Latin American and Hemispheric Studies (Feminist Movements in Latin America)	IAFF 3188	Special Topics in Middle East Studies (U.S. Policy in the Persian Gulf)
IAFF 3187	Special Topics in Latin American and Hemispheric Studies (Latin America Geopolitics and Geoeconomy)	PSC 2377	Comparative Politics of the Middle East
IAFF 3187	Special Topics in Latin American and Hemispheric Studies (Latin American Migration)	PSC 2476	The Arab-Israeli Conflict
IAFF 3187	Special Topics in Latin American and Hemispheric Studies (Security in the Americas)	or PSC 2476W	The Arab-Israeli Conflict
IAFF 3191W	Populism and Regime Change in Latin America	PSC 2478	International Relations of the Middle East
IAFF 3194W	Latin America's Violent Peace	PSC 2993	Special Topics in Comparative Politics (Political Violence in the Middle East)
PSC 2383	Comparative Politics of Latin America		
PSC 2484	International Relations of Latin America		
SPAN 3200	Bilingualism in the Spanish-Speaking World		
Middle East (Students in the BA in Middle East studies program must fulfill the Regional Foundations requirement using a course focused in a world region other than the Middle East.)			
ANTH 3707	Anthropology of the Middle East		
GEOG 3154	Geography of the Middle East and North Africa		
HIST 3801	Topics in Middle Eastern History (The Middle East Since WWII)		
HIST 3810	History of the Middle East to 1800		

Concentration

All students in the BA in international affairs program must complete either a functional or regional concentration, which are listed below.

To fulfill the concentration requirement, students complete five courses (15 credits) related to their chosen functional or regional theme. The courses chosen to fulfill the concentration must be taken in at least two different academic departments. Students must declare a concentration no later than the end of the second semester of their sophomore year by completing the Concentration Declaration Form (<https://form.jotform.us/ESIA/concentration-declaration/>). With the exception of WID courses, courses may not be double-counted between any international affairs requirements. A minimum grade of C- must be earned in all concentration courses.

To explore concentration options, see course lists below and additional information on the Elliott School website. (<https://elliott.gwu.edu/bachelor-arts-international-affairs-curriculum/>)

Functional concentrations

- Comparative Political, Economic, and Social Systems (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/international-affairs/undergraduate-programs/ba-international-affairs/comparative-political-economic-social-systems/>)

- Conflict Resolution (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/international-affairs/undergraduate-programs/ba-international-affairs/conflict-resolution/>)
- Contemporary Cultures and Societies (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/international-affairs/undergraduate-programs/ba-international-affairs/contemporary-cultures-and-societies/>)
- Gender in International Affairs (<http://bulletin.gwu.edu/international-affairs/undergraduate-programs/ba-international-affairs/gender-international-affairs/>)
- Global Public Health (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/international-affairs/undergraduate-programs/ba-international-affairs/global-public-health/>)
- Individualized (<http://bulletin.gwu.edu/international-affairs/undergraduate-programs/ba-international-affairs/individualized/>)
- International Development (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/international-affairs/undergraduate-programs/ba-international-affairs/international-development/>)
- International Economics (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/international-affairs/undergraduate-programs/ba-international-affairs/international-economics/>)
- International Environmental Studies (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/international-affairs/undergraduate-programs/ba-international-affairs/international-environmental-studies/>)
- International Politics (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/international-affairs/undergraduate-programs/ba-international-affairs/international-politics/>)
- Security Policy (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/international-affairs/undergraduate-programs/ba-international-affairs/security-policy/>)

Regional concentrations

- Africa (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/international-affairs/undergraduate-programs/ba-international-affairs/africa/>)
- Asia (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/international-affairs/undergraduate-programs/ba-international-affairs/asia/>)
- Europe and Eurasia (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/international-affairs/undergraduate-programs/ba-international-affairs/europe-and-eurasia/>)
- Latin America (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/international-affairs/undergraduate-programs/ba-international-affairs/latin-america/>)
- Middle East (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/international-affairs/undergraduate-programs/ba-international-affairs/middle-east/>)

Language requirement

Students must demonstrate third-year proficiency in a modern language by examination or coursework. If taking coursework, students can satisfy the language requirement by taking a course that is equivalent to third-year proficiency, or by taking a course beyond the third year which has a listed prerequisite of the second semester of the third year. Please note that the language placement exam determines the level at which students begin

their language study. Additional information regarding the Elliott School language examinations is available from the academic advisor. This requirement is satisfied automatically for students who were required to take the TOEFL or IELTS examination as part of GW's admissions process.

Code	Title	Credits
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Arabic

Option one:

ARAB 1001	Beginning Arabic I
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ARAB 1002	Beginning Arabic II
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ARAB 2001	Intermediate Arabic I
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ARAB 2002	Intermediate Arabic II
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ARAB 3001	Advanced Arabic
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and one course from the following:

ARAB 3105	Special Topics (Arabic and Social Media)
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ARAB 3105	Special Topics (Islamic Political Thought)
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ARAB 3301	Modern Arabic Literature
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ARAB 3302	Media Arabic
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ARAB 3311	Business Arabic
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Option two:

ARAB 1201	Intensive Elementary Arabic I
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ARAB 1202	Intensive Elementary Arabic II
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ARAB 2201	Intensive Intermediate Arabic
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ARAB 3201	Intensive Advanced Arabic: Mass Media
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Code	Title	Credits
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Chinese

One of the following options for beginning Chinese:

Option one:

CHIN 1001 & CHIN 1002	Beginning Chinese I and Beginning Chinese II
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Option two:

CHIN 1011	Intensive Beginning Chinese
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And the following courses:

CHIN 2003	Intermediate Chinese I
CHIN 2004	Intermediate Chinese II
CHIN 3105	Intermediate Chinese III
CHIN 3106	Intermediate Chinese IV

Code	Title	Credits
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French

FREN 1001	Basic French I
FREN 1002	Basic French II
FREN 1003	Intermediate French I
FREN 1004	Intermediate French II
FREN 2005	Language, Culture, and Society I
FREN 2006	Language, Culture, and Society II

Code	Title	Credits
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German

Option one:

GER 1001	First-Year German I
GER 1002	First-Year German II
GER 1003	Second-Year German I
GER 1004	Second-Year German II

and one of the following sequences:

GER 2009 & GER 2010	Intermediate German I and Intermediate German II
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GER 2101 & GER 2102	Readings in Contemporary German I and Readings in Contemporary German II
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Option two:

GER 1005	Intensive Beginning German I
GER 1006	Intensive Beginning German II

and one of the following sequences:

GER 2009 & GER 2010	Intermediate German I and Intermediate German II
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GER 2101 & GER 2102	Readings in Contemporary German I and Readings in Contemporary German II
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Code	Title	Credits
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Hebrew

HEBR 1001	Beginning Hebrew I
HEBR 1002	Beginning Hebrew II
HEBR 2001	Intermediate Hebrew I
HEBR 2002	Intermediate Hebrew II
HEBR 3001	Hebrew Conversation and Writing

and one course from the following:

HEBR 3301	Modern Hebrew Fiction
HEBR 3302	The Israeli Media

Code	Title	Credits
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Italian

ITAL 1001	Basic Italian I
ITAL 1002	Basic Italian II
ITAL 1003	Intermediate Italian I
ITAL 1004	Intermediate Italian II
ITAL 2005	Language, Culture, and Society I
ITAL 2006	Language, Culture, and Society II

Code	Title	Credits
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Japanese

One of the following options for beginning Japanese:

Option one:

JAPN 1001 & JAPN 1002	Beginning Japanese I and Beginning Japanese II
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Option two:

JAPN 1005	Intensive Beginning Japanese
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And the following courses:

JAPN 2003	Intermediate Japanese I
JAPN 2004	Intermediate Japanese II
JAPN 3105	Intermediate Japanese III
JAPN 3106	Intermediate Japanese IV

Code	Title	Credits
Korean		
KOR 1001	Beginning Korean I	
KOR 1002	Beginning Korean II	
KOR 2003	Intermediate Korean I	
KOR 2004	Intermediate Korean II	
KOR 3105	Intermediate Korean III	
KOR 3106	Intermediate Korean IV	

Code	Title	Credits
Persian		
PERS 1001	Beginning Persian I	
PERS 1002	Beginning Persian II	
PERS 2001	Intermediate Persian I	
PERS 2002	Intermediate Persian II	
PERS 3001	Advanced Persian	
PERS 3002	Media Persian	
or PERS 3002W	Media Persian	

Code	Title	Credits
Portuguese		
Portuguese courses offerings are dependent on faculty availability.		
Option one:		
PORT 1001	Basic Portuguese I	
PORT 1002	Basic Portuguese II	
PORT 1003	Intermediate Portuguese I	
PORT 1004	Intermediate Portuguese II	
PORT 2005	Composition and Conversation	
PORT 2006	Applied Portuguese Grammar	
or		
Option two:		
PORT 1012	Intensive Basic Portuguese	
PORT 1003	Intermediate Portuguese I	

PORT 1004	Intermediate Portuguese II
PORT 2005	Composition and Conversation
PORT 2006	Applied Portuguese Grammar

Code	Title	Credits
Russian		
Option one:		
SLAV 1001	First-Year Russian I	
SLAV 1002	First-Year Russian II	
SLAV 1003	Second-Year Russian I	
SLAV 1004	Second-Year Russian II	

and one of the following sequences:

SLAV 2005 & SLAV 2006	Intermediate Russian I and Intermediate Russian II
SLAV 1013 & SLAV 1014	Russian for Heritage Speakers I and Russian for Heritage Speakers II
SLAV 2015 & SLAV 2016	Readings in the Russian Press I and Readings in the Russian Press II

or

Option two:	
SLAV 1012	Intensive Basic Russian I
SLAV 1034	Intensive Basic Russian II

and one of the following sequences:

SLAV 2005 & SLAV 2006	Intermediate Russian I and Intermediate Russian II
SLAV 1013 & SLAV 1014	Russian for Heritage Speakers I and Russian for Heritage Speakers II
SLAV 2015 & SLAV 2016	Readings in the Russian Press I and Readings in the Russian Press II

Code	Title	Credits
Spanish		
Option one:		
SPAN 1011	Intensive Beginning Spanish: the Spanish-speaking world	
or SPAN 1012	Intensive Elementary Spanish: the Spanish-speaking world	

SPAN 1013	Intermediate Spanish I: the Spanish-Speaking World
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SPAN 1014	Intermediate Spanish II: the Spanish-speaking world
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SPAN 2005	Advanced Spanish I
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SPAN 2006	Advanced Spanish II
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Option two:

SPAN 1012	Intensive Elementary Spanish: the Spanish-speaking world
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SPAN 1034	Intensive Intermediate Spanish
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SPAN 2056	Intensive Advanced Spanish through Sustainability Literacy
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Option three:

SPAN 1013	Intermediate Spanish I: the Spanish-Speaking World
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SPAN 1014	Intermediate Spanish II: the Spanish-speaking world
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SPAN 2026	Advanced Spanish for Heritage Learners *
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Option four:

SPAN 1034	Intensive Intermediate Spanish
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or SPAN 1134	Intensive Intermediate Spanish for Heritage Learners
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SPAN 2026	Advanced Spanish for Heritage Learners *
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Option five:

SPAN 1013	Intermediate Spanish I: the Spanish-Speaking World
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SPAN 1014	Intermediate Spanish II: the Spanish-speaking world
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SPAN 2005	Advanced Spanish I
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SPAN 2006	Advanced Spanish II
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or SPAN 2026	Advanced Spanish for Heritage Learners
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*Spanish language options three and four require an interview prior to enrolling in SPAN 2026. Students should contact the Department of Romance, German, and Slavic Languages and Literatures for additional information about these options.

CONCENTRATIONS

Concentrations

All students in the BA in international affairs program must complete either a functional or regional concentration, which are listed below. Students in the BS in international affairs program may complete one of these concentrations or they may take 15 credits in courses that count toward a second major in a STEM-related discipline.

To fulfill the concentration requirement, students complete five courses (15 credits) relating to their chosen functional or regional theme. These courses must be taken in at least two different academic departments. Students must declare a concentration no later than the end of the second semester of their sophomore year by completing the Concentration Declaration Form (<https://form.jotform.us/ESIA/concentration-declaration/>). With the exception of WID courses, courses may not be double-counted between any international affairs requirements. A minimum grade of C- must be earned in all concentration courses.

Functional concentrations

- Comparative Political, Economic, and Social Systems (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/international-affairs/undergraduate-programs/ba-international-affairs/comparative-political-economic-social-systems/>)
- Conflict Resolution (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/international-affairs/undergraduate-programs/ba-international-affairs/conflict-resolution/>)
- Contemporary Cultures and Societies (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/international-affairs/undergraduate-programs/ba-international-affairs/contemporary-cultures-and-societies/>)
- Gender in International Affairs (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/international-affairs/undergraduate-programs/ba-international-affairs/gender-international-affairs/>)
- Global Public Health (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/international-affairs/undergraduate-programs/ba-international-affairs/global-public-health/>)
- Individualized (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/international-affairs/undergraduate-programs/ba-international-affairs/individualized/>)
- International Development (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/international-affairs/undergraduate-programs/ba-international-affairs/international-development/>)
- International Economics (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/international-affairs/undergraduate-programs/ba-international-affairs/international-economics/>)
- International Environmental Studies (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/international-affairs/undergraduate-programs/ba-international-affairs/international-environmental-studies/>)

- International Politics (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/international-affairs/undergraduate-programs/ba-international-affairs/international-politics/>)
- Security Policy (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/international-affairs/undergraduate-programs/ba-international-affairs/security-policy/>)

Regional concentrations

- Africa (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/international-affairs/undergraduate-programs/ba-international-affairs/africa/>)
- Asia (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/international-affairs/undergraduate-programs/ba-international-affairs/asia/>)
- Europe and Eurasia (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/international-affairs/undergraduate-programs/ba-international-affairs/europe-and-urasia/>)
- Individualized (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/international-affairs/undergraduate-programs/ba-international-affairs/individualized/>)
- Latin America (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/international-affairs/undergraduate-programs/ba-international-affairs/latin-america/>)
- Middle East (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/international-affairs/undergraduate-programs/ba-international-affairs/middle-east/>)

COMBINED PROGRAMS

Combined programs

- Dual Bachelor of Science with a major in international affairs and Master in Management (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/international-affairs/undergraduate-programs/dual-bs-international-affairs-mim/>)