

INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL ECONOMY (MSc/PgDip/PgCert)

57L150B1/61L150VX/62L150VZ

Duration: 12 months full-time or 24 months part-time (MLitt); 9 months full-time or 18 months part-time (PGDip); 4 months full time of 8 months part time (PgCert).

Content:

FULL TIME ROUTE

Stage 1

Core:

IR5007 International Political Economy: Theory and Themes (30 credits)

Candidates will select one course from the following electives:

- BU5053 Introduction to Energy Economics (15 credits)
- IR5001 Theories and Concepts in International Relations (30 credit points)
- PI5025 Energy Politics (15 credit points)
- PI5027 Religion, Conflict and Security (30 credit points)
- SL5011 Advanced Qualitative Methods in Social Science (30 credit points)

Stage 2

Core:

SO5512 Dimensions of Globalisation (30 credits)

Candidates will select one course from the following electives:

- PI5502 Global Security Issues (30 credit points)
- PI5518 International Energy Security (30 credit points)
- PI5520 Terrorism & Counter Terrorism (30 credit points)
- SL5513 Advanced Quantitative Analysis in Social Science (30 credit points)

Only candidates who complete the above programme at the appropriate standard will be allowed to progress to Stage 3. Candidates who fail to achieve the standard for progression to, or who elect not to proceed to Stage 3, shall be awarded a Postgraduate Diploma if they have achieved the appropriate number of credits for that award. Candidates for the Postgraduate Certificate must achieve 60 credits from the first semester courses.

Stage 3

IR5905 Dissertation in International Political Economy (60 credit points)

Assessment: By written examination, essay work, class presentation, and project work as prescribed for each course, and by submission of a dissertation. The degree of MSc shall not be awarded to a candidate who fails to achieve a CGS mark of D3 or above in IR5905, irrespective of their performance in other courses.

PART TIME ROUTE

This route will run over two years. Students can take up to 120 credit points in a single year. IR5905 must be taken in Year 2. The following courses are compulsory and can be taken in either Year 1 or Year 2:

- IR5007 International Political Economy: Theory and Themes (30 credits)
- SO5512 Dimensions of Globalisation (30 credits)

Plus one course from the following:

- BU5053 Introduction to Energy Economics (15 credits)
- IR5001 Theories and Concepts in International Relations (30 credit points)
- PI5025 Energy Politics (15 credit points)
- PI5027 Religion, Conflict and Security (30 credit points)
- SL5011 Advanced Quantitative Methods in Social Science (30 credit points)

Plus one course from the following:

- PI5502 Global Security Issues (30 credit points)
- PI5518 International Energy Security (30 credit points)
- PI5520 Terrorism & Counter Terrorism (30 credit points)
- SL5513 Advanced Quantitative Analysis in Social Science (30 credit points)

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