

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS ONLINE (SEPTEMBER START) (MSc/PgDip/PgCert)

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Duration: 12 months full-time or 24 months part-time (MSc); 9 months full-time or 18 months part-time (PgDip); 4 months full-time or 8 months part time (PgCert).

Content:

FULL TIME ROUTE

Stage 1

PD5006 Getting Started at the University of Aberdeen (0 credit points)
IR5008 Approaches to Global Politics (30 credit points)

Candidates will select one course from the following electives:

IR5009 International Political Economy: Theories and Themes (30 credit points)
PI5036 Religion, Conflict and Security (30 credit points)
IH5002 Foundations of Social and Political Thought (30 credit points)

Stage 2

Candidates will select two courses from the following electives:

PI5536 Terrorism and Counter-Terrorism (30 credit points)
SO5535 Dimensions of Globalization (30 credit points)
SO5536 Peace and Conflict Studies (30 credit points)
IH5501 Decolonising Society and Politics (30 credit points)

Only candidates who complete the requirements of the above programme at a CGS \geq D3 will be allowed to progress to the dissertation stage. Candidates who fail to achieve the standard for progression to, or 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. Those who achieve the required standard in only half of the taught component (60 credit points) may be awarded a Postgraduate Certificate in International Relations.

Stage 3

IR5901 Dissertation: International Relations (60 credit points)

Assessment: By essays, online quiz, discussion boards, or a combination thereof, 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 grade of D3 or above in IR5901, irrespective of their performance in other courses.

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PART TIME ROUTE

This route will run over two years. Students can take up to 120 credit points in a single year. PD5006 must be taken in Year 1, IR5901 must be taken in Year 2.

Stage 1 – September to December

PD5006 Getting Started at the University of Aberdeen (0 credit points)
IR5008 Approaches to Global Politics (30 credit points)

Stages 2, 3 and 4 – January to August

Candidates will select one course from the following electives:

PI5536 Terrorism and Counter-Terrorism (30 credit points)
SO5535 Dimensions of Globalization (30 credit points)
SO5536 Peace and Conflict Studies (30 credit points)
IH5501 Decolonising Society and Politics (30 credit points)

Stage 5 - September to August

Candidates will select one course from the following electives:

IR5009 International Political Economy: Theories and Themes (30 credit points)
PI5036 Religion, Conflict and Security (30 credit points)
IH5002 Foundations of Social and Political Thought (30 credit points)

Candidates will select one course from the following electives:

PI5536 Terrorism and Counter-Terrorism (30 credit points)
SO5535 Dimensions of Globalization (30 credit points)
SO5536 Peace and Conflict Studies (30 credit points)
IH5501 Decolonising Society and Politics (30 credit points)

Assessment: By essays, online quiz, discussion boards, or a combination thereof, 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 grade of D3 mark of 9 or above in IR5901, irrespective of their performance in other courses.