INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Future leaders in business, government, and law need to understand how global developments affect their lives and work. This major provides the detailed information and conceptual tools you will need to thrive in the rapidly changing world of tomorrow. With numerous travel, research, and internship opportunities, it is an ideal major for those interested in entering the realms of business, advocacy, or public policy.

BACHELOR OF ARTS (BA) GENERAL OVERVIEW

Four lower-division courses:
- International Relations: Introductory Analysis
- Historical Approaches to International Relations
- International Relations: Approaches to Research
- The Global Economy

One course from each of the following four categories:
- Culture, Gender and a Global Society
- Foreign Policy Analysis
- International Political Economy
- International Politics and Security Studies

Foreign language requirement:
- Four semesters of a single foreign language

One regional course. Examples include:
- Russian and Soviet Foreign Policy
- International Relations of the Contemporary Middle East

Two upper-division electives from any field or region. Examples include:
- Espionage and Intelligence
- International Relations of the Pacific Rim
- Human Security and Humanitarian Intervention
- Politics of Global Environment

One 400-level course

ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES

Center for International Studies: Established to promote advanced research and sustained discussion, CIS runs a program of frequent speakers and seminars on political and economic issues.

Teaching International Relations Program: TIRP is a community outreach program under which students plan and execute lessons on global issues in local elementary schools.

Study Abroad: Travel to Iceland, Norway, and Finland during the summer to study the complex issues surrounding climate change and its impact on the Arctic Region or to Brussels, Belgium to focus on contemporary issues in European foreign and security policy through USC Dornsife’s Problems Without Passports program.

For additional information, please consult the USC Catalogue.