INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND THE GLOBAL ECONOMY

This major offers students rigorous interdisciplinary training at the intersection of international relations and economics. It prepares students for careers ranging from foreign policy and international development to international finance and political risk analysis. It is also ideally suited for students who plan to seek advanced degrees in the social sciences.

BACHELOR OF ARTS (BA) GENERAL OVERVIEW

Four lower-division courses:
- Principles of Microeconomics
- Principles of Macroeconomics
- International Relations: Introductory Analysis
- Fundamental Principles of Calculus or Calculus I

International Political Economy Electives:
- Politics of the World Economy
- Intermediate Microeconomic Theory
- Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory
- Introduction to Statistics for Economists
- Two additional 300-level electives from the Core Skills and Issues category

One regional course. Examples include:
- Economic Development of the Middle East
- The Political Economy of Latin American Development
- China’s Political Economy
- Political Economy of Russia and Eurasia

One senior emphasis course in international trade, finance, or economic development

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.

Economics Leadership Council: The ELC is a network of alumni and professionals who strive to connect people in the Department of Economics and encourage academic excellence. They also coordinates social events, lectures, and guest speakers throughout the year to expose students to career opportunities.

Problems Without Passports: Travel to Mexico City during the summer to study Financing Development through USC Dornsife’s Problems Without Passports program.

For additional information, please consult the USC Catalogue.