College of Liberal Arts & Human Sciences  
Department of Political Science  
Bachelor of Arts in International Studies (BAIS)  
Major – National Security & Foreign Affairs (NSFA)  
Checksheets for Students Graduating in Calendar Year 2018

I. Core Degree Requirements  
   □ 27 Credit Hours
II. Requirements for National Security & Foreign Affairs Major  
   □ 33 Credit Hours
III. Curriculum for Liberal Education  
   □ 27 Credit Hours
IV. Free Electives  
   □ 33 Credit Hours

Total Required for National Security & Foreign Affairs Major  
   □ 120 Credit Hours

Departmental Policies

Hours Requirement: A total of 120 hours is required to graduate with an International Studies degree of which there are sixty (60) required hours for the National Security & Foreign Affairs major.

In-major GPA: All of the courses in section I and II are included in the in-major GPA calculation. The overall and in-major GPA’s required for graduation are 2.0.

Satisfactory Progress: To proceed satisfactorily toward a degree, a student must complete IS 1004, IS 1034, IS 2004, IS 2054, IS 2064, IS 2084 and Foreign language 2105 & 2106 by the end of the semester in which 60 hours have been attempted; must maintain an overall GPA of at least 2.0 and must maintain an in major GPA of 2.0.

Dual Use of Courses: No course can double count within or between International Studies-related majors with the exception of the Core Degree Requirements (Section I below), IS 1004, IS 2054, and IS 2064.

Prerequisites: Some courses listed on this checksheet have prerequisites. Be sure to consult the University Catalog and/or check with your advisor.

I. Core Degree Requirements

First Year Experience (3 credit hours)
   □ IS 1034  
   Introduction to International Studies and Political Science (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 1034)

Required International Studies Courses (12 credit hours)
   □ IS 2004  
   Research and Writing in International Studies (3)
   □ IS 2084  
   Theoretical Approaches to Global Order (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 2084)
   □ IS 3115 or IS 3116  
   Selected World Problems (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 3115 and PSCI 3116)
   □ IS 4004  
   Seminar in International Studies (3) (Senior Standing in IS and instructor consent required)

Required Foreign Language (12 credit hours)

12 credits must be of a single foreign language at the 3000-4000 level
   □ __________ (3)  
   □ __________ (3)  
   □ __________ (3)  
   □ __________ (3)

The following courses are only offered as Pass/Fail and can be used toward fulfillment of this requirement:
   SPAN 3125  
   SPAN 3126  
   FR 3125  
   FR 3126  
   GER 3125  
   GER 3126  
   RUS 3124

The following courses are excluded and cannot be used to fulfill this requirement:
   ARBC 3304  
   FR 3954  
   GER 3414  
   GER 3474  
   RUS 3304  
   RUS 3314  
   RUS 3424
II. Requirements for the National Security & Foreign Affairs (NSFA) Major

**NSFA Major Courses (18 credit hours)**

- **IS 1004** Nations and Nationalities (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 1004)
- **IS 2054** Introduction to World Politics (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 2054 and GEOG 2054)
- **IS 2064** The Global Economy and World Politics (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 2064 and GEOG 2064)
- **_______** Select One of the following:
  - **IS 3104** Security Studies: Theories and Concepts (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 3104; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)
  - **OR**
  - **IS 3624** Foreign Policy & Diplomacy (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 3624; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)
- **_______** Select One of the following:
  - **IS 3734** National Security (cross-listed with PSCI 3734; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 205
  - **OR**
  - **IS 3625** US-Russia Foreign Policies (cross-listed with PSCI 3625; Pre: PSCI 1024 or PSCI 1024H)
- **_______** Select One of the following:
  - **IS 4024** Seminar in Diplomacy and Security (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 4024; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)
  - **OR**
  - **IS 4735** Multilateral Diplomacy Workshop (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 4735; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)
  - **OR**
  - **IS 4736** Multilateral Diplomacy Workshop (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 4736; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)
- **IS 4744** Intelligence Analysis Workshop (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 4744; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)

**Elective Courses for the NSFA Major (15 credit hours)**

- **_______ (3)**
- **_______ (3)**
- **_______ (3)**
- **_______ (3)**
- **_______ (3)**

Select from the following to fulfill the Elective courses for the NSFA Major:\n
**International Studies (IS)**

- **IS 2034** Geography of Global Conflict (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 2034 and GEOG 2034)
- **IS 3034** The CIA (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 3034 and GEOG 3034)
- **IS 3104** Security Studies: Theories and Concepts (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 3104; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)
- **IS 3114** Global Security (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 3114; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)
- **IS 3125** Intelligence and National Security (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 3125; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)
- **IS 3126** Intelligence and National Security (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 3126; Pre: IS 3125 or PSCI 3125)
- **IS 3134** Global Conflict and War (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 3134; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)
- **IS 3135** Strategies of Modern Warfare (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 3135; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)
- **IS 3136** Strategies of Modern Warfare (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 3136; Pre: IS 3135 or PSCI 3135)
- **IS 3194** Nuclear Strategy and Politics (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 3194; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)
- **IS 3624** Foreign Policy and Diplomacy (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 3624; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)
- **IS 3625** US-Russia Foreign Policies (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 3625; Pre: PSCI 1024 or PSCI 1024H)
- **IS 3626** US-Russia Foreign Policies (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 3626; Pre: PSCI 1024 or PSCI 1024H)
- **IS 3704** National Security Strategy (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 3704; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)
- **IS 3734** National Security (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 3734; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)
- **IS 3735** National Security Policies (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 3735; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)
- **IS 3736** National Security Policies (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 3736; Pre: IS 3735 or PSCI 3735)
- **IS 3794** Terrorism and Counterterrorism (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 3794; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)
- **IS 4024** Seminar in Diplomacy and Security (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 4024; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)
- **IS 4735** Multilateral Diplomacy Workshop (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 4735; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)
- **IS 4736** Multilateral Diplomacy Workshop (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 4736; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)
- **IS 4744** Intelligence Analysis Workshop (cross-listed with PSCI 4744; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)
A maximum of 6 credits from the following can be used toward the 15 credits of required NSFA electives:

**International Studies (IS)**

IS 2044  Food, War, and Conflict (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 2044 and FST 2044)
IS 2134  Geography of Global Economy (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 2134 and GEOG 2134)
IS 3004  Professionalism and Careers in Political Science and International Studies (cross-listed with PSCI 3004; Pre: Junior Standing)
IS 3144  Global Governance & Public Policy (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 3144; Pre: (IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054) and (IS 2064 or PSCI 2064 or GEOG 2064))
IS 3154  Topics in Global Public Policies (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 3154; Pre: (IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054) and (IS 2064 or PSCI 2064 or GEOG 2064))
IS 3165  Global Economic Governance and Policy (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 3165; Pre: IS 2064 or PSCI 2064 or GEOG 2064)
IS 3166  Global Economic Governance and Policy (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 3166; Pre: IS 2064 or PSCI 2064 or GEOG 2064)
IS 3175  Global Development (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 3175; Pre: (IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054) and (IS 2064 or PSCI 2064 or GEOG 2064))
IS 3176  Global Development (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 3176; Pre: (IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054) and (IS 2064 or PSCI 2064 or GEOG 2064))
IS 3184  Human Security (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 3184; Pre: IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)
IS 3634  Human Rights: Global Issues (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 3634; Pre: PSCI 1024 or IS 2054 or PSCI 2054 or GEOG 2054)
IS 3944  International Enrollment
IS 3954  Study Abroad
IS 4014  Seminar in Grassroots Development (3)
IS 4044  International Communication (3) (cross-listed with COMM 4044)
IS 4054  Seminar in Global Political Economy (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 4054; Pre: IS 2064 or PSCI 2064 or GEOG 2064)
IS 4064  Seminar in Global Development (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 4064; Pre: IS 2064 or PSCI 2064 or GEOG 2064)
IS 4614  Senior Seminar in International Relations (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 4614; Pre: IS 3615 or PSCI 3615 or IS 3616 or PSCI 3616 or IS 3625 or PSCI 3616 or IS 3626 or PSCI 3626 or IS 3734 or PSCI 3734)
IS 4734  Theories and Practices of International Conflict Management (3) (cross-listed with PSCI 4734; Pre: IS 3616 or PSCI 3616)
IS 4974  Independent Study
IS 4984  Special Study
IS 4994  Undergraduate Research

**Political Science (PSCI)**

PSCI 1014  Introduction to US Government and Politics (3)
PSCI 1024  Introduction to Comparative Government and Politics (3)
PSCI 3344  Global Environmental Issues (3) (cross-listed with UPA 3344; Pre: completion of Area 4 of University Core)
PSCI 3514  Latin American Government and Politics (3) (Pre: 1014H or 1024)
PSCI 3515  European Political Systems (3) (Pre: 1024 or 1024H)
PSCI 3516  European Political Systems (3) (Pre: 1024 or 1024H)
PSCI 3524  Politics of Post-Communist Systems (3) (Pre: 1024 or 1024H)
PSCI 3534  African Government and Politics (3) (Pre: 1024 or 1024H)
PSCI 3544  The State of Israel (3) (Cross-listed with JUD 3544 and RLCL 3544; Pre: 1024 or 1024H or JUD 2134)
PSCI 3564  Violent Political Change (3) (Pre: 1024 or 1024H)
PSCI 3574  Government and Politics of Japan (3) (Pre: 1024 or 1024H)
PSCI 3584  Governments and Politics of Asia (3) (Pre: 1024 or 1024H)
PSCI 3684  Indigenous Peoples and World Politics (3) (Cross-listed with AINS 3684)
PSCI 3714  The U.S. Policy Process (3) (Cross-listed with UAP 3714; Pre: 1014 or 1014H)
PSCI 4514  Senior Seminar in Comparative Politics (3) (Pre: 3515 or 3516 or 3524 or 3554 or 3564 or 3514 or 3534 or 3544 or 3574 or 3584)

1Please note that not all courses are offered each semester. Check in the Undergraduate Course Catalog or with the department offering the course to find out when courses are offered.
2Check the Undergraduate Course Catalog or the Timetable of classes for the most up to date course restrictions and pre-requisites.
3The content of the Independent Study or Special Study, as well as the topic of Undergraduate Research should be relevant to the International Relations major. Please ask the International Studies advisor in advance whether the proposed Independent Study or Special Study or Undergraduate Research topic qualifies.
University and Admissions Foreign Language Requirement (No Credits Count Toward the Degree)

This is a requirement that is SEPARATE from the International Studies requirement. Completion of this requirement WILL NOT fulfill your International Studies Language Requirement.

Complete one of the following options

- □ 3 years of a single foreign, classical, or sign language in high school.
- □ 2 years of a single foreign, classical, or sign language in high school plus 1106 or the equivalent in college (these 3 hours count toward the 120 required for graduation)
- □ Complete FL 1105-1106 or the equivalent in college (these 6 hours do not count toward the 120 required for graduation)

III. CURRICULUM FOR LIBERAL EDUCATION (CLE)\(^1\) (27 Credit Hours)*

*27 Credit Hours does not include the below courses that are already required by the major.

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<th>Writing and Discourse (6 credits)</th>
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<th>Critical Issues in a Global Context</th>
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The full list of approved courses for each area above can be in the “Curriculum for Liberal Education Guide” on the Provost’s Office web page (www.provost.vt.edu).

IV. Free Electives

Free electives make up the remainder of the credits for the NSFA major. Take as many as needed to reach 120 credits.

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