Overview

This program offers students an opportunity to explore the interrelations between nations and peoples, and to examine global politics, problems and actors from a variety of perspectives.

The program has specialisations in three areas:

Asia's rising powers: explores the changing politics in the Indo-Pacific region. It concentrates on rising powers such as China and India; however, students will also have the opportunity to study the politics and foreign policy of a range of countries in the region, as well as Australia's relationship with this part of the world.

International security: explores the nature of security, conflict, and intervention in global politics. It explores contending theoretical perspectives on international conflict, violence, and war on human populations. Courses focus on the role of strategic culture in defining interests, intelligence, the impact of globalisation on changing forms of security and violence, and the increasing level of human insecurity. Particular interest is taken in non-military cross border issues that impact on human security, including environmental degradation and change, migration and trade.

Global governance and justice: explores the role of international institutions and regimes in the governance of complex issues, and it pays particular attention to how governance is now increasingly complex involving non-state actors such as credit rating agencies and / or private security firms, and new forms of governance at the national, regional, and global levels dealing with cross border issues such as environment, migration and finance.

Students complete Core courses in each of these specialisations and can complete further courses in one or more of these specialisations, as well as courses in History, Development Studies, European or Asian Studies.

Studies in a foreign language are highly recommended and students are encouraged to spend one or two semesters at an overseas university to gain valuable international experience and cultural perspective.

The Bachelor of International Studies is an AQF Level 7 qualification with a standard full-time duration of 3 years.

1. Academic Program Rules for Bachelor of International Studies

There shall be a Bachelor of International Studies.

2. Qualification Requirements

2.1 Academic Program

To qualify for the degree of Bachelor of International Studies, the student must complete
satisfactorily a program of study consisting of the following requirements with a combined total of not less than 72 units, including:

a. not more than 24 units at Level I

and

b. Core courses to the value of 24 units from Academic Program Rule 2.1.1, including ARTS 1007 The Enquiring Mind: Arts of Engagement

and

c. International Studies Closed elective courses to the value of 15 units from Academic Program Rule 2.1.2

and

d. Open elective courses to the value of 15 units

and

e. a minor of 18 units with not more than 6 units at Level I from the following disciplines: Anthropology, Art History and Visual Culture (interdisciplinary), Asian Studies (interdisciplinary), Chinese Studies, Classics, Creative Writing, Criminology, Development Studies (interdisciplinary), English, European Studies (interdisciplinary), French Studies, Gender Studies and Social Analysis, Geography Environment and Population, German Studies, History, Indonesian Studies, Italian Studies, Japanese Studies, Linguistics, Modern Greek Studies, Music Studies, Philosophy, Psychology, Spanish Studies.

Students may not minor in Politics and International Studies.

### 2.1.1 Core Courses

Level I

**ARTS 1007 The Enquiring Mind: Arts of Engagement (3 units)**

**POLIS 1102 Global Politics (3 units)**

**POLIS 1104 Comparative Politics of Rising Powers (3 units)**

plus

Courses to the value of 6 units from the following:

**ASIA 1103 Asia and the World (3 units)**

**DEVT 1001 Introduction to Development Studies (3 units)**

**HIST 1108 Empires in World History (3 units)**

**HIST 1109 Revolutions that Changed the World (3 units)**

plus

**POLIS 2124 Global Justice and International Order (3 units)**

**POLIS 2129 Indo-Pacific Foreign Policy (3 units)**
POLIS 3101 Strategic Culture and International Security (3 units)

2.1.2 International Studies Closed Electives

The International Studies Closed electives have been grouped into three streams as a guide only, should students wish to focus their electives in a particular area:

2.1.2.1 Asian Rising Powers
ARTS 2001 Arts Internship* (6 units)
ARTS 2100 Community Engagement Learning Project* (3 units)
ASIA 2018 Australia and the Asia-Pacific (3 units)
ASIA 2020 Cultures and Identities in Contemporary Japan (3 units)
ASIA 2021 Cultures and Identities in Contemporary China (3 units)
ASIA 2022 China Today: Politics & Governance (3 units)
ASIA 2023 Japan Today: Politics & Governance (3 units)
INDO 2004 Indonesian In-Country (12 units)
POLIS 2099 China Rising (3 units)
POLIS 2104 Incredible India: Dynamics of a Rising World Power (3 units)
POLIS 2105 Issues in Australian Politics (3 units)
POLIS 2113 Decoding China: Unity, Stability and Development (3 units)
POLIS 2118 Comparative Politics of Leadership (3 units)
POLIS 2119 The Rise of China's Economic Power (3 units)
POLIS 2129 Indo-Pacific Foreign Policy (3 units)
POLIS 2131 South Asia: Conflict, Politics and Economic Change (3 units)
POLIS 2135 Authoritarian Politics, Change and Asia (3 units)

*This course can be studied if, upon negotiation with the Course Coordinator, a relevant placement can be arranged.

2.1.2.2 International Security:
ARTS 2001 Arts Internship* (6 units)
ARTS 2100 Community Engagement Learning Project* (3 units)
DEVT 2003 Managing Conflict in the Developing World (3 units)
POLIS 2095 Critical Security Studies (3 units)
POLIS 2100 Intelligence and Security after the Cold War (3 units)
POLIS 2101 International Security (3 units)

POLIS 2104 Incredible India: Dynamics of a Rising World Power (3 units)

POLIS 2109 The Ethics of War and Peace (3 units)

POLIS 2117 Theories of International Politics (3 units)

POLIS 2120 Conflict and Crisis in the Middle East (3 units)

POLIS 2133 Security, Justice and Rights (3 units)

POLIS 2134 Applied Thinking for Complex Problems (3 units)

POLIS 3101 Strategic Culture and International Security (3 units)

*This course can be studied if, upon negotiation with the Course Coordinator, a relevant placement can be arranged.

2.1.2.3 Global Governance and Justice

ARTS 2001 Arts Internship* (6 units)

ARTS 2100 Community Engagement Learning Project* (3 units)

DEVT 2003 Managing Conflict in the Developing World (3 units)

GEOG 2132 Social Science Techniques (3 units)

HIST 2052 Migrants and the Making of Modern Australia (3 units)

POLIS 2096 The Politics of Human Rights (3 units)

POLIS 2097 Bioethics Policy: Governance of Contentious Issues (3 units)

POLIS 2104 Incredible India: Dynamics of a Rising World Power (3 units)

POLIS 2106 Justice, Virtue and the Good (3 units)

POLIS 2107 Passions and Interests: The History of Greed (3 units)

POLIS 2109 The Ethics of War and Peace (3 units)

POLIS 2112 South Australian Parliamentary Internship (6 units)

POLIS 2115 Politics, Ideology & Discourse (3 units)

POLIS 2121 The Practice of Australian Politics (3 units)

POLIS 2122 Global Environmental Politics (3 units)

POLIS 2123 Global Governance and Development (3 units)

POLIS 2124 Global Justice and International Order (3 units)

POLIS 2125 Citizenship and Globalisation (3 units)

POLIS 2128 Australia Faces the World (3 units)
POLIS 2129 Indo-Pacific Foreign Policy (3 units)

POLIS 2130 International Political Economy (3 units)

POLIS 2131 South Asia: Conflict, Politics and Economic Change (3 units)

POLIS 2132EX Washington Congressional Internship (6 units)

POLIS 2134 Applied Thinking for Complex Problems (3 units)

POLIS 2135 Authoritarian Politics, Change and Asia (3 units)

*This course can be studied if, upon negotiation with the Course Coordinator, a relevant placement can be arranged.

### 2.1.3 Open Electives

Courses to the value of 15 units from the Faculty of Arts, including courses from Academic Program Rule 2.1.2 not otherwise included, or other undergraduate courses offered by the University, that are available to the student.

### 2.1.4 Arts Minor

Courses to the value of 18 units to form a minor. One 3 unit cross-listed course may be counted toward the minor. A maximum of 6 units at Level I and at least 12 units at Advanced Level must be presented.

The requirements for the minors are specified in Academic Program Rule 2.1e for the degree of Bachelor of Arts.

### 2.1.5 Repeating Courses

A student who has failed a course twice may not enrol in that course again except by special permission of the Faculty and then only under such conditions as the Faculty may prescribe.

### 2.2 Credit in Formal Double Degree Arrangements

Bachelor of Laws

Students who have passed courses in the degree of Bachelor of Laws at the University will be granted credit toward the Bachelor of International Studies up to a maximum of 24 units.

The requirement to complete a minor in the Bachelor of International Studies is waived.

Double Degrees

Bachelor of Arts with Bachelor of Economics

Bachelor of Arts with Bachelor of Science

Bachelor of International Studies with Bachelor of Arts

Bachelor of Media with Bachelor of Arts.

A student who undertakes any combination listed above may count a maximum of 24 units towards...
both degrees, satisfying the requirements for the two degrees with a minimum total of 96 units (or 4 years) of study.

The requirement to complete a minor in the Faculty of Arts' program, where applicable, is waived.

Concurrent Study

Bachelor of Arts

Bachelor of Commerce

Bachelor of Computer Science

Bachelor of Development Studies

Bachelor of Economics

Bachelor of Environmental Policy and Management

Bachelor of Finance

Bachelor of International Studies

Bachelor of Mathematical and Computer Sciences

Bachelor of Media

Bachelor of Psychological Science

Bachelor of Social Sciences.

A student who undertakes concurrently any two of the degrees listed above, may count a maximum of 24 units to both degrees, satisfying the requirements for the two degrees with a minimum total of 96 units (or 4 years) of study.

The requirement to complete a minor in the Faculty of Arts' program, where applicable, is waived.

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