

Joint International Relations and Economics Major

This major combines international economics, which is the study of markets and economic policy, with international political economy, which studies international institutions and the interactions of states with those institutions and each other, motivated by trade-offs among economic goals and considerations of power, national security, and citizen welfare. Study of economic theory, as well as institutional arrangements, allows students to understand consequences for the world economy, including political and distributional consequences.

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Collateral course in Mathematics:

Any one of the following courses:

MATH 021	Calculus I	4
MATH 031	Honors Calculus I	4
MATH 051	Survey of Calculus I	4
MATH 075 & MATH 076	Calculus I, Part A and Calculus I, Part B	4
MATH 081	Calculus with Business Applications I	4

Required Courses (60-61 credits), as follows:

Introductory courses (2 courses/8 credits)

ECO 001	Principles of Economics	4
IR 010	Introduction to World Politics	4

IR Core Courses (4 courses/16 credits)

IR 100	Methods and Research Design	4
IR 225	International Political Economy	4

Any two of the following courses:

IR 105		4
IR 234	Great Power Politics	4
IR 210	Foreign Policy	4
IR 220	Globalization and World Politics	4
IR 223	Work & Labor in a Global Economy	4
IR 235	International Security	4
IR 236	Causes of War	4
IR 237	National Security: The Military Instrument of Foreign Policy	4
IR 245	International Organization	4

Economics Core Courses (3 courses/9 credits)

ECO 045	Statistical Methods	3
ECO 146	Intermediate Microeconomic Analysis	3
ECO 119	Intermediate Macroeconomic Analysis	3

Advanced courses in IR (2 courses/8 credits)

Chosen from any IR courses 300-387 or 393

Advanced courses in Economics (2 courses/6 credits)

ECO 234	The Economics of Gender and Race	3
ECO 303	Economic Development	3
ECO 304	Economic Growth	3
ECO 311	Environmental Economics	3
ECO 338	International Economics	3
ECO 339	International Trade	3
ECO 340	International Finance	3
ECO 342	Economic Development in China	3
ECO 345	Political Economy of Iraq	3

Electives (4 courses/13-14 credits)

At least one course chosen from IR 200-387 or 393

At least two courses chosen from ECO 200+ except
ECO 201, 259, 273, 274, 301, 362, 371 and 389

The fourth may be from either of the two above categories.

Recommended Economics electives:

ECO 203	Microfinance: Financial Inclusion for the Poor
ECO 209	Comparative Economic Systems
ECO 303	Economic Development
ECO 339	International Trade
ECO 340	International Finance
ECO 342	Economic Development in China
ECO 345	Political Economy of Iraq

Recommended IR electives:

IR 222	Political Economy of North-South Relations
IR 321	Economic Relations of Advanced Industrial Societies
IR 322	Poverty and Development
IR 323	Political Economy of Industrialization and Development
IR 344	International Politics of Oil

Majors in this program may NOT minor or major in either Economics or IR