

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

at UNSW

A contemporary and dynamic discipline, International Relations is the study of politics at the international, cross-national, transnational, regional and global level...

"The course material has helped me to develop a much broader and deeper understanding of world politics, how international organisations work and key global problems such as the environment. The program has allowed me to understand the theoretical base of international relations as well as learn practical skills and develop my own opinions."

Nabonita Anwar
B International Studies
Current Student

Although a relatively modern discipline, International Relations is one of increasing relevance in the contemporary world because of what can be broadly termed globalisation. We are constantly reminded of the impact of International Relations on everyday lives, from climate change to financial markets, from terrorism to refugees.

International Relations is at the cutting edge of current concerns. The solutions to many national problems are now intricately linked with regional and international treaties and conventions. International Relations is closely related to the study of Politics and has links with other disciplines, including International History, Economics, and Law.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AT UNSW

UNSW has research strengths in several areas of International Relations, including International Political Economy and the Politics of International Law. Our staff are leading researchers in their fields, experienced teachers and the authors of highly regarded texts in International Relations. UNSW International Relations graduates have an advanced understanding of contemporary world politics and are encouraged to be:

- Critical and creative thinkers with the desire and ability to open-mindedly question world events and to academically analyse them
- Rigorous analysts able to evaluate theoretical, conceptual and empirical information presented in scholarly literature and other media
- Effective communicators with accomplished oral and written skills honed through group discussion, individual presentations, essays, briefing papers and examinations
- Engaged citizens of the academic and wider community, able to work independently and with others, as both leaders and participants in a quest for understanding



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INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS – PROGRAM OPTIONS

International Relations is offered as a major or minor within the Bachelor of Arts (BA) and combined degree programs. The UNSW BA provides the opportunity to combine two disciplines from a choice of over thirty five majors and minors. International Relations is also offered as:

- A stream in the Bachelor of International Studies
- A major in the Bachelor of Social Science
- A fourth (Honours) year for high achieving students
- Postgraduate coursework and research programs
- An elective or general education option

COURSES

Introductory courses provide students with an initial overview of International Relations while upper level courses are offered in global politics, global security, global economy as well as specialist areas. Sample courses include:

- International Relations in the Twentieth Century
- International Relations: Continuity and Change
- Theories and Concepts of International Relations
- International Security
- Politics of Globalisation
- International Law: Politics, Power and Ideology
- The Middle East and International Law
- Theorising International Political Economy
- Peoples, States and Sovereignty
- Contemporary Issues in International Relations

OPPORTUNITIES

International Exchange

As one of Australia's most international universities UNSW offers you the opportunity to spend a session or two overseas studying at one of our partner institutions as part of your degree. UNSW manages a large and active exchange program with over 180 different student exchange opportunities in 32 countries.

Practical Experience

- The Arts and Social Sciences internship course provides the opportunity to gain experience in the work place

CAREERS

The study of International Relations has clear career advantages. It is essential for a number of career paths, especially areas of public service that involve policy, planning, diplomacy, foreign affairs, and international trade. Graduates are employed in education, journalism, and not-for-profit and non-government organisations. The private sector is also interested in our graduates because of the training we provide in critical thinking and analysis. Special emphasis is placed on teaching the skills that employers most value in Arts and Social Sciences graduates such as:

- Communication
- Negotiation
- Mediation
- Leadership
- Critical Analysis
- Evaluation
- Teamwork
- Research
- Interpretation
- Presentation

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Fees: <https://my.unsw.edu.au/student/fees/FeesMainPage.html>

UNSW Handbook: www.handbook.unsw.edu.au

Information for International Students: www.international.unsw.edu.au

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