

Five College Certificate in International Relations

The Five College International Relations Certificate Program offers an opportunity for students to pursue an interest in international relations as a complement to their majors.

Course requirements for the certificate:

1. A course on introductory world politics
2. A course on global institutions or problems
3. A course on the international financial and/or commercial system
4. A course concerning the historical development of the international system since 1789
5. A course on contemporary American foreign policy
6. Proficiency in a contemporary foreign language and / or completion of two years of the language at the college level or its equivalent. (For Amherst College students, the requirement is two years of college-level foreign language study.)
7. **Two** courses on the politics, economy and/or society of foreign areas, of which one must involve the study of a Third World country or region

Approved Courses

For requirements 1-5, the following courses are preapproved for the FCIR Certificate and offered regularly. Other courses may be substituted for the courses listed with the prior approval of the campus advisor.

For requirements 6 and 7, a wide range of courses are suitable and available every semester in the Five Colleges. Students should discuss their plans for completing the FCIR Certificate with their campus advisor and get approval for specific courses before enrolling in them.

1. A course on introductory world politics

Amherst: POSC 252 (Introductory International Relations)

Mount Holyoke: POLIT 116 (World Politics)

Smith: GOV 241: (Introduction to International Politics)

UMass: POLISCI 121 (World Politics)

2. A course on global institutions or problems

Amherst: POSC 112 (The International Politics of Climate Change); POSC 418 (Nature in International Relations); POSC 126 (International Orders); POSC 312 (History and Politics of Human Rights)

Hampshire: CSI 0223 (Global Insecurity); (Multipolarity and Global Institutions)

Mount Holyoke: POLIT 247: (International Law and Organization)

Smith: GOV 252 (International Organizations); GOV 249 (International Human Rights); GOV 240 (NGOs in World Politics); ECO 211 (Economic Development)

UMass: POLISCI 356 (International Law); POLISCI 357 (International Organization); POLISCI 391E (Rules of

War); POLSCI 391S (Human Security)

3. A course on the international financial and/or commercial system

Amherst: ECON 223 (The Economics of Migration); ECON 227 (International Trade) **Hampshire:** CSI 0216 (Economic Development and a Global Green New Deal); CSI 0202 (South-South Economic Relations)

Mount Holyoke: POLIT 232 (Introduction to International Political Economy); POLIT 267 (The Politics of Finance and Financial Crises)

Smith: GOV 242 (International Political Economy); ECO 295 (International Trade and Commercial Policy); ECO 296 (International Finance)

UMass: POLSCI 359 (International Political Economy); ECON 397FP (Foundations of the International Political Economy)

4. A course concerning the historical development of the international system since 1789

Amherst: HIST 101: (WWII in Global Perspective)

Hampshire: CSI 0244 (Europe and the World)

Mount Holyoke: HIST 151 (Europe in the Modern World); HIST 161 (British Empire & Commonwealth)

Smith: HST 157 (Africa and the Making of the Modern World); HST 236 (World History 1000-2000: The European Millennium); HST 250 (Europe in the 19th Century); HST 251 (Europe in the 20th Century)

UMass: POLSCI 294P (Making a Global World); HISTORY 110 (World History to 1500)

5. A course on contemporary American foreign policy

Amherst: HIST 157 (The U.S. in the World: 1898 to the Present); POSC-305 (New Cold Wars: Great Power Relations in the 21st Century); POSC 363 (Geopolitics and American Foreign Policy) **Mount Holyoke:** POLIT 270: (American Foreign Policy)

Smith: GOV 244: (Foreign Policy of the US)

UMass: POLSCI 255 (American Foreign Policy)

6. Proficiency in a contemporary foreign language through the completion of two years of the language at the college level or its equivalent. (For Amherst College students, the requirement is two years of *college-level* foreign language study.)

7. Two courses on the politics, economy and/or society of foreign areas, of which one must involve the study of a Third World country or region (consult with advisor).