

# Politics and International Studies

<b>Year and Campus:</b>	2015
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<b>Overview:</b>	The Major in Politics and International Studies enables students to develop an understanding of the main political issues, institutions, ideas, policies and actors that dominate local, national and international agendas. It includes the study of identity and community, power and how it is exercised and contested, democracy, the state and state system, governance beyond and below the state, public policy, political movements, war and conflict and conflict-resolution. The Major offers subjects on these themes from a variety of perspectives in political science, including international relations, public policy, political theory, political economy, comparative politics, Australian politics, indigenous studies, regional studies and feminism and gender studies, as well as subjects on research methods.
<b>Learning Outcomes:</b>	<p>Students who complete this major will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># Demonstrate a detailed knowledge and critical understanding of diverse concepts, theories and forms of knowledge in the field of political science and the political, cultural and socio-economic contexts in which they operate;</li> <li># Critically apply concepts and theories used in the study of political science to the analysis of political behaviour, interests, ideas and institutions in changing contexts;</li> <li># Develop an understanding of debates in domestic and international politics and an ability to evaluate different interpretations of political phenomena;</li> <li># Demonstrate an understanding of research processes in the social sciences including design, methodology and methods, critical analysis and interpretation, and the diversity of approaches to research;</li> <li># Recognise the importance of ethical standards of conduct in the research and analysis of social and political phenomena;</li> <li># Work productively in groups;</li> <li># Communicate effectively in oral and written formats;</li> <li># Develop an ability to work with independence, self-reflection and engage in problem solving.</li> </ul>
<b>Structure &amp; Available Subjects:</b>	<p><b>Major</b></p> <p><i>Level 1 (25 points)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># One <b>Arts Foundation Subject (<a href="http://arts.unimelb.edu.au/arts-student-centre/">../view/current/%21B-ARTS-SPC%2B1001</a>)</b> (MULT10018 Power highly recommended)</li> <li># One level 1 subject from the list below.</li> </ul> <p><i>Level 2 (37.5 points)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># 37.5-points from the level 2 subjects listed below, including the compulsory subject MULT20003 Critical Analytical Skills.</li> </ul> <p><i>Level 3 (37.5 points)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># 37.5-points from the level 3 subjects listed below, including the compulsory capstone subject MULT30018 Applied Research Methods.</li> </ul> <p>Total 100 points</p> <p><b>Minor</b></p> <p><i>Level 1 (25 points)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># One <b>Arts Foundation Subject (<a href="http://arts.unimelb.edu.au/arts-student-centre/">../view/current/%21B-ARTS-SPC%2B1001</a>)</b> (MULT10018 Power highly recommended)</li> <li># One level 1 subject from the list below.</li> </ul> <p><i>Level 2 (25 points)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># 25-points from the level 2 subjects listed below. Students are strongly encouraged to complete MULT20003 Critical Analytical Skills.</li> </ul>

**Level 3 (25 points)**

# 25-points from the level 3 subjects listed below.

Students completing a minor are not permitted to complete the capstone subject.

Total 75 points

Students who commenced the BA in 2008 may complete a major or minor in political science, or a major or minor in international studies - please refer to the **2008 handbook (.J../view/2008/D09)** for details..

**Subject Options:**

**Politics and International Studies: Level 1 Subjects**

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
POLS10001 Australian Politics	Semester 1	12.50
INTS10001 International Politics	Semester 2	12.50
POLS10003 Introduction to Political Ideas	Semester 2	12.50

**Politics and International Studies: Level 2 Compulsory Subject**

This subject is compulsory at level 2 for all students completing a major in Politics and International Studies.

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
MULT20003 Critical Analytical Skills	Semester 1	12.50

**Politics and International Studies: Level 2 Elective Subjects**

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
POLS20006 Contemporary Political Theory	Semester 1	12.50
POLS20008 Public Policy Making	Semester 2	12.50
POLS20011 Sexual Politics	Semester 1	12.50
POLS20023 Comparative Politics	Semester 1	12.50
POLS20025 International Relations: Key Questions	Semester 2	12.50
POLS20026 Politics and the Media	Semester 1	12.50
SOCI20007 Terrorism: Shifting Paradigms	Semester 1	12.50
POLS20031 Political Economy	Semester 2	12.50
MULT20008 Australian Indigenous Politics	Semester 1	12.50

**Politics and International Studies: Level 3 Compulsory Capstone Subject**

This subject is compulsory at level 3 for all students completing a major in Politics and International Studies. Students completing the minor are not permitted to enrol in this subject.

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
MULT30018 Applied Research Methods	Semester 2	12.50

**Politics and International Studies: Level 3 Elective Subjects**

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
POLS30028 On Country Learning: Indigenous Studies	February	12.50

	POLS30007 Crisis and Change in Australian Politics	Not offered 2015	12.50
	POLS30011 Chinese Politics and Society	Semester 1	12.50
	POLS30018 European Integration: Politics of the EU	Semester 1	12.50
	POLS30019 Australian Foreign Policy	Semester 2	12.50
	ISLM30015 Crisis Zone: Middle Eastern Politics	Semester 1	12.50
	POLS30030 American Politics	Semester 1	12.50
	MULT30017 Indigenous People and Social Control	Semester 1	12.50
	SOCI30010 Social Differences and Inequalities	Semester 1	12.50
	POLS30001 Parliamentary Internship	Semester 1	25
	POLS30003 Public Affairs Internship	Semester 1, Semester 2	25
	POLS30002 Public Affairs Internship (Int.Students)	Semester 1, Semester 2	25
	POLS30015 International Gender Politics	Semester 1	12.50
	POLS30022 Global Environmental Politics	Semester 2	12.50
	POLS30025 Democracy, Terrorism and Violence	Not offered 2015	12.50
	POLS30027 Global Movements: Protest and the Planet	Not offered 2015	12.50
	POLS30031 Contemporary India	Semester 1	12.50
	POLS30032 Campaigns and Elections	Semester 2	12.50
	POLS30033 Democracy and its Dilemmas	Semester 1	12.50
	POLS30034 Political Psychology	January	12.50
<b>Links to further information:</b>	<a href="http://www.ssps.unimelb.edu.au/">http://www.ssps.unimelb.edu.au/</a>		
<b>Related Course(s):</b>	Bachelor of Arts		