

International Relations: 4 Year Plan Worksheet

Bulletin Year: 2026-2027

Consult your advisor regarding proper course sequencing and course selection for the major.

Suggested sequence, but students often take courses in a modified order.

All students must complete six flags to graduate. Each student is responsible for ensuring she/he fulfills all graduation requirements.

First Year

First Semester		Requirement Met		
Course Name	Units	Major	Core	Elective
FFYS 1000: First Year Seminar <i>FFYS Core</i>	3-4		✓	
POLS 1600 <i>EHBV Core</i>	4	✓		
MDLL 1XXX <i>Foreign Language 1</i>	4	✓		
Studies in American Diversity <i>FDIV Core</i>	4		✓	
Total Units	15-16			

Second Semester		Requirement Met		
Course Name	Units	Major	Core	Elective
RHET 1000: Rhetorical Arts <i>FRTA Core</i>	4		✓	
POLS 1400 <i>EHBV Core</i>	4	✓		
MDLL 1XXX <i>Foreign Language 2</i>	4	✓		
PHIL 1800: Philosophical Inquiry <i>FPHI Core</i>	4		✓	
Total Units	16			

Second Year

First Semester		Requirement Met		
Course Name	Units	Major	Core	Elective
HIST 1XXX: Historical Analysis-EHAP Core <i>(Except US History; HIST 13XX-14XX)</i>	4	✓	✓	
MDLL 2XXX <i>Foreign Language 3</i>	4	✓		
Theological Inquiry <i>FTHI Core</i>	4		✓	
POLS 2100	4	✓		
Total Units	16			

Second Semester		Requirement Met		
Course Name	Units	Major	Core	Elective
Creative Experience <i>ECRE Core</i>	4		✓	
MDLL 2XXX <i>Foreign Language 4</i>	4	✓		
Quantitative Reasoning <i>FQTR Core</i>	3-4		✓	
ECON 1050 <i>EHBV Core</i>	4	✓	✓	
Total Units	15-16			

Third Year

First Semester		Requirement Met		
Course Name	Units	Major	Core	Elective
STUDY ABROAD (NOTE 4) Upper-Division IR Elective # 1	3			✓
Upper-Division IR Elective # 2	3			✓
Elective	3			✓
Elective	3			✓
Elective	3			✓
Total Units	15			

Second Semester		Requirement Met		
Course Name	Units	Major	Core	Elective
International Politics Course	4	✓		
Nature of Science, Tech, and Math <i>ESTM Core</i>	3-4		✓	
International Economics Course <i>IINC Core</i>	4	✓	✓	
Faith and Reason <i>IFTR Core</i>	4		✓	
Total Units	16			

Fourth Year

First Semester		Requirement Met		
Course Name	Units	Major	Core	Elective
Upper-Division IR #3 Elective	4	✓		
Upper-Division Elective	4	✓		
Upper-Division Elective	4			✓
CORE: Upper-Division <i>LELM Flag</i>	4		✓	
Total Units	16			

Second Semester		Requirement Met		
Course Name	Units	Major	Core	Elective
POLS 5000-Level Seminar <i>IR or Comp Seminar</i>	4	✓		
Ethics and Justice <i>IEJT Core</i>	4		✓	
Upper-Division Elective	4			✓
Upper-Division Elective	4			✓
POLS 5700 Senior Assessment	0	✓		
Total Units	16			

Total Units: 124 min.

Notes:

[1] An average grade of C (2.0) must be earned in major courses. Lower Division requirements must be met before pursuing upper division requirements.

[2] CORE REQUIREMENTS: 1) Understanding Human Behavior Core; ECON 1050, POLS 1400, or POLS 1600 2) Historical Analysis & Perspectives: HIST 1000 level (*Except US History; HIST 13XX-14XX*) 3) Interdisciplinary Connections: POLS 4650.

[3] A maximum of 40 upper division units in IRLT will be accepted toward degree requirements. Minimum upper division POLS is 12 units.

[4] Up to two courses from Study Abroad may count towards the major. Consult IR Director.

[5] Students who attain a minimum GPA of 3.7, both overall and in the major, are eligible to enroll in POLS 5800 Honors Seminar in the fall and to write an Honors Thesis (POLS 5810) in the spring of their senior year.

[6] Once a student has enrolled at LMU and declared an International Relations major or minor, only LMU course work or courses from an LMU-approved study abroad program will be accepted for the major or minor.

[7] Units for required major course(s) that also meet the core will be counted towards the major. This does not take into consideration a major elective course(s) that may meet both a major and core requirement(s). If two required areas are met by one course, the outstanding units must be met in the Elective units total.