

# International Affairs BA

## Overview

The **Bachelor of Arts in International Affairs (IA)** is offered by the College of Liberal Arts' Department of Political Science and is available only at Temple University, Japan Campus. IA is an interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary subject which covers political science, geography, economics and history. It explores international cooperation and conflict, poverty and development, the nature and causes of war, nationalism and social change, and other issues. Focusing especially upon Japan and its place in Asia and the world, it requires students to study regions besides East Asia (Japan, China, Korea) and the United States. Students must undertake an internship and study an East Asian language.

**Campus Location:** Japan

**Program Code:** LA-IA-BA

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*These requirements are for students who matriculated in academic year 2023-2024. Students who matriculated prior to fall 2023 should refer to the Archives to view the requirements for their Bulletin year.*

## Summary of Requirements for the Degree

### 1. University and College of Liberal Arts (CLA) Requirements

- All Temple students must take a minimum of two writing-intensive courses as part of the major.
- Students must complete the General Education curriculum.
- Students must follow CLA requirements as specified in the CLA College Requirements section of the Undergraduate Bulletin.

### 2. Major Requirements (Minimum 45 credits plus a fourth semester level East Asian language requirement)

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Major Core Courses</b>		
POLS 1201	Foreign Governments and Politics	3
POLS 1301	International Politics	3
Select one of the following:		3-6
ECON 1101 & ECON 1102	Macroeconomic Principles and Microeconomic Principles	
ECON 1103	Global Economics	
Select one of the following:		3
HIST 1702	World History Modern	
GUS 1031	Geography of World Affairs	
Select one of the following:		3
HIST 2804	Peace, Conflict, and Social Change	
HIST 3228	America's Rise to Globalism	
HIST 3229	Superpower America	
HIST 3811	World Economy Since 1945	
<b>Political Science Requirements <sup>1</sup></b>		
Select 2 Political Science courses in consultation with the Academic Advisor and/or Major Coordinator		6
POLS 4310 / POLS 4320 taken multiple times under different course topics can count toward Political Science requirement.		
POLS 1101	The American Political System	
POLS 2102	American State and Local Politics	
POLS 2201	Comparative Politics: Developing Nations	
POLS 2211	Contemporary Politics of Europe	
POLS 2212	Eastern Europe, Russia and the West	
POLS 2311	Post-Cold War Security	
POLS 2321	Politics of the Global Economy	
POLS 2331	International Organization	

POLS 2351 or ASST 2351	Japan and the Changing World Order Japan in a Changing World
POLS 2441	Democracy, Capitalism, and Socialism
POLS 2496	Introduction to Political Philosophy
POLS 2503	Evidence and Knowledge
POLS 3101	The American Presidency
POLS 3125	Interest Group Politics
POLS 3134	The Politics of Inequality
POLS 3151	Public Policy Analysis
POLS 3153	The Politics of Poverty
POLS 3201	Nationalism, Ethnicity, and Politics
POLS 3203	Comparative Politics of Democratization
POLS 3212	British Government and Politics
POLS 3213	Post-Communist Politics
POLS 3241	Mideast Politics
POLS 3251 or ASST 3251	China: State and Society China: State and Society
POLS 3252 or ASST 3252	East Asia and the United States East Asia and the United States
POLS 3265 or ENST 3265	International Environmental Policy International Environmental Policy
POLS 3331	Politics of the European Union
POLS 3451	Personality and Politics

**Interdisciplinary Requirements <sup>1</sup>**

Select 2 courses in Social Science or other related disciplines in consultation with the Academic Advisor and/or Major Coordinator

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AMST 2097 or ASST 3696 or HIST 3696 or GSWS 4696	
AMST 2107 or ASST 2107 or HIST 2107	Asian American Experiences Asian American Experiences Asian American History
AMST 2217 or ASST 2217 or HIST 2217	The Vietnam War The Vietnam War Vietnam War
AMST 3031 AMST 3096 or GSWS 3096	Political Protest and Culture in the '60s
ANTH 1062	Introduction to Anthropology
ANTH 2238 or ASST 2238	Visual Anthropology of Modern Japan Visual Anthropology of Modern Japan
ANTH 2373 or ASST 2373	Japanese Culture Japanese Culture
ANTH 2374 or ASST 2374	The Anthropology of Modern China The Anthropology of Modern China
ARTH 2807 or ASST 2807	East Meets West East Meets West
ARTH 2815 or ASST 2815	Pre-Modern Japanese Art up to the Edo Period Japanese Art
ASST 1102 or REL 1102	Introduction to Asian Religions
ASST 2001	Practical Asian Society and Culture

ASST 2011 or JPNS 2011	Survey of Japanese Literature Before 1868 Survey of Japanese Literature: Pre-Modern
ASST 2012 or JPNS 2012	Modern and Contemporary Japanese Literature in Translation Modern and Contemporary Japanese Literature in Translation
ASST 2015 or JPNS 2015	Tokyo in Literature and Film Tokyo in Literature and Film
ASST 2016 or JPNS 2016	Mystery and Crime Fiction in Japan Mystery and Crime Fiction in Japan
ASST 2098 or JPNS 2096	Japanese Popular Culture and its Literature
ASST 2501 or HIST 2501	Introduction to East Asia: China Introduction to East Asia: China
ASST 2502 or HIST 2502	Introduction to East Asia: Japan Introduction to East Asia: Japan
ASST 2511 or IB 2501	Introduction to Asian Business Fundamentals of Asian Business
ASST 3247 or SOC 3247	Ideology and Social Change in Japan Ideology and Social Change in Japan
ASST 3541 or HIST 3541	Japan Today Japan Today
ASST 3542 or HIST 3542 or GSWS 3542	Women and Society in Japan Women and Society in Japan Women and Society in Japan
ASST 3636	Asian Women in Transition
ECON 3501	Intermediate Microeconomic Analysis
ECON 3502	Intermediate Macroeconomic Analysis
ECON 3503	Introduction to Econometrics
ECON 3504	Mathematical Economics
ECON 3506	Energy, Ecology, and Economy
ECON 3512	Public Finance
ECON 3537	Comparative Economic Systems
ECON 3538	Managerial Economics
ECON 3547	Economics of Development and Growth
ECON 3563	International Trade
ECON 3564	International Monetary Economics
ECON 3596	Energy, Ecology, and Economy
ECON 3597	Health Economics
GUS 2025 or AMST 2051	American Place American Places: Home, City, Region
HIST 1708 or GSWS 1708	
HIST 2103	African American History to 1865
HIST 2104	African American History 1865-Present
HIST 2702	Imperialism, Race, and Empire
HIST 2812	World War II
HIST 3363	Russia: Revolution, State, and Empire
HIST 3433	Blood and Iron: 19th Century European Diplomacy
JRN 1111	Journalism and Society
LGLS 1001	Law in Society
LGLS 3506	Law, Technology and E-Commerce
LGLS 3562	Legal Aspects of Global Business
PSY 2101	Foundations of Cognitive Psychology

PSY 2102	
PSY 2201	Foundations of Psychopathology
PSY 2301	Foundations of Developmental Psychology
PSY 2401	Foundations of Social Psychology
PSY 2402	Foundations of Industrial and Organizational Psychology
PSY 2501	Foundations of Behavioral Neuroscience
PSY 3152	

**East Asian Studies Requirements <sup>1</sup>**

Select 3 courses that exclusively focus on East Asia in Social Science or other related disciplines in consultation with the Academic Advisor and/or Major Coordinator

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POLS 4310 / POLS 4320 taken multiple times under different course topics can count toward East Asian requirement. Please consult with the Academic Advisor and/or Major Coordinator.

AMST 2217	The Vietnam War
or ASST 2217	The Vietnam War
or HIST 2217	Vietnam War
AMST 2097	
or ASST 3696	
or HIST 3696	
or GSWS 4696	
ANTH 2238	Visual Anthropology of Modern Japan
or ASST 2238	Visual Anthropology of Modern Japan
ANTH 2373	Japanese Culture
or ASST 2373	Japanese Culture
ANTH 2374	The Anthropology of Modern China
or ASST 2374	The Anthropology of Modern China
ARTH 2807	East Meets West
or ASST 2807	East Meets West
ARTH 2815	Pre-Modern Japanese Art up to the Edo Period
or ASST 2815	Japanese Art
ARTH 2818	
or ASST 2818	
ASST 1102	
or REL 1102	Introduction to Asian Religions
ASST 2001	Practical Asian Society and Culture
ASST 2011	Survey of Japanese Literature Before 1868
or JPNS 2011	Survey of Japanese Literature: Pre-Modern
ASST 2016	Mystery and Crime Fiction in Japan
or JPNS 2016	Mystery and Crime Fiction in Japan
ASST 2012	Modern and Contemporary Japanese Literature in Translation
or JPNS 2012	Modern and Contemporary Japanese Literature in Translation
JPNS 2015	Tokyo in Literature and Film
or JPNS 2015	Tokyo in Literature and Film
ASST 2098	Japanese Popular Culture and its Literature
or JPNS 2096	
ASST 2351	Japan in a Changing World
or POLS 2351	Japan and the Changing World Order
ASST 2501	Introduction to East Asia: China
or HIST 2501	Introduction to East Asia: China
ASST 2502	Introduction to East Asia: Japan
or HIST 2502	Introduction to East Asia: Japan
ASST 2511	Introduction to Asian Business
or IB 2501	Fundamentals of Asian Business

ASST 3247 or SOC 3247	Ideology and Social Change in Japan Ideology and Social Change in Japan	
ASST 3251 or POLS 3251	China: State and Society China: State and Society	
ASST 3252 or POLS 3252	East Asia and the United States East Asia and the United States	
ASST 3541 or HIST 3541	Japan Today Japan Today	
ASST 3542 or HIST 3542 or GSWS 3542	Women and Society in Japan Women and Society in Japan Women and Society in Japan	
JPNS 4196	Seminar in Japanese and Japan: Japanese Society and Culture through Newspaper	
JPNS 4296	Seminar in Japanese and Japan: Business	
JPNS 4396		
<b>East Asia Requirement 4000+ Writing Intensive</b>		
Select 1 course in consultation with the Academic Advisor and/or Major Coordinator		3
ASST 4096	Seminar in Asian Studies (Course topic of ASST 4096 must be East Asia focused)	
ASST 4696 or HIST 4697	Modern Japan: Empire, War, Society Modern Japan: Empire, War, Society	
<b>Non-USA / Non-East Asian Studies Requirements <sup>1</sup></b>		
Select 2 courses that focus on non-USA, non-East Asian regions in Social Science or other disciplines in consultation with the Academic Advisor and/or Major Coordinator		6
POLS 4310 / POLS 4320 taken multiple times under different course topics can count toward Non-USA / Non-East Asian Studies requirement. Please consult with the Academic Advisor and/or Major Coordinator.		
HIST 1301		
HIST 1705		
HIST 1708 or GSWS 1708		
HIST 2103	African American History to 1865	
HIST 2304	20th Century Europe: A Continent in Crisis	
HIST 2702	Imperialism, Race, and Empire	
HIST 3363	Russia: Revolution, State, and Empire	
HIST 3431 or GSWS 3431	Women's Lives in Modern Europe Women's Lives Modern Europe	
HIST 3433	Blood and Iron: 19th Century European Diplomacy	
LGLS 1001	Law in Society	
POLS 2201	Comparative Politics: Developing Nations	
POLS 2211	Contemporary Politics of Europe	
POLS 2212	Eastern Europe, Russia and the West	
POLS 2311	Post-Cold War Security	
POLS 2321	Politics of the Global Economy	
POLS 2331	International Organization	
POLS 2441	Democracy, Capitalism, and Socialism	
POLS 2496	Introduction to Political Philosophy	
POLS 2503	Evidence and Knowledge	
POLS 3125	Interest Group Politics	
POLS 3134	The Politics of Inequality	
POLS 3151	Public Policy Analysis	
POLS 3153	The Politics of Poverty	
POLS 3201	Nationalism, Ethnicity, and Politics	
POLS 3203	Comparative Politics of Democratization	
POLS 3212	British Government and Politics	

POLS 3213	Post-Communist Politics	
POLS 3241	Mideast Politics	
POLS 3265	International Environmental Policy	
POLS 3331	Politics of the European Union	
<b>Political Science Seminar</b>		
Select 1 course in consultation with the Academic Advisor and/or Major Coordinator		3
POLS 4310	Seminar in International Politics	
POLS 4320	Seminar in International Politics	
<b>Internship</b>		
Complete at least one internship for at least 3 credits, upon approval by the Major Coordinator		3
POLS 4185	Internship I	
<b>Political Science Capstone (WI)</b>		
POLS 4896	Capstone Seminar in Political Science	3
<b>East Asian Language Requirements</b>		
Select one of the following (fourth semester):		3-4
CHI 2002	Chinese Intermediate II	
JPNS 2702	TUJ - Japanese Intermediate II	
or JPNS 2002	Intermediate Japanese II	
KRN 2002	Korean Intermediate II	

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For a comprehensive list of courses to fulfill this requirement, please consult your advisor.

**East Asian Language Proficiency Requirement:** The language requirement may be satisfied by coursework or proficiency in the language for heritage speakers. Students who demonstrate proficiency beyond the fourth semester are not required to replace this with an International Affairs approved elective.

## Suggested Academic Plan

Please note that this is a suggested academic plan. Depending on your situation, your academic plan may look different.

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#### Suggested Plan for New Students Starting in the 2023-2024 Academic Year

Year 1		Credit Hours
<b>Fall</b>		
ENG 0802	Analytical Reading and Writing	4
or ENG 0812	or Analytical Reading and Writing: ESL	
GenEd Quantitative Literacy Course <sup>GQ</sup>		4
GenEd Breadth Course		3
Select one of the following first-level East Asian Foreign Language courses:		4
JPNS 1001	Japanese Elements I	
CHI 1001	Chinese Elements I	
KRN 1001	Korean Elements I	
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
IH 0851	Intellectual Heritage I: The Good Life	3
GenEd Breadth Course		3
POLS 1201	Foreign Governments and Politics	3
POLS 1301	International Politics	3
Select one of the following second-level East Asian Foreign Language courses:		4
JPNS 1002	Japanese Elements II	
CHI 1002	Chinese Elements II	
KRN 1002	Korean Elements II	
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>16</b>

**Year 2****Fall**

IH 0852	Intellectual Heritage II: The Common Good	3
GenEd Breadth Course		3
GenEd Breadth Course		3
Select one of the following:		3
HIST 1702	World History Modern	
GUS 1031	Geography of World Affairs	
Select one of the following third-level East Asian Foreign Language courses:		3-4
CHI 2001	Chinese Intermediate I	
JPNS 2701 or JPNS 2001	TUJ - Japanese Intermediate I or Intermediate Japanese I	
KRN 2001	Korean Intermediate I	
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>16</b>

**Spring**

GenEd Breadth Course		3-4
GenEd Breadth Course		3
GenEd Breadth Course		3
ECON 1101	Macroeconomic Principles	3
Select one of the following fourth-level East Asian Foreign Language courses:		3-4
CHI 2002	Chinese Intermediate II	
JPNS 2702 or JPNS 2002	TUJ - Japanese Intermediate II or Intermediate Japanese II	
KRN 2002	Korean Intermediate II	
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>16</b>

**Year 3****Fall**

ECON 1102	Microeconomic Principles	3
Political Science 2000+ (Political Science Requirement 1)		3
CLA 2000+ (East Asia Area Requirement 1)		3
Political Science 2000+ (Political Science Requirement 2)		3
Select one of the following:		3
HIST 2804	Peace, Conflict, and Social Change	
HIST 3228	America's Rise to Globalism	
HIST 3229	Superpower America	
HIST 3811	World Economy Since 1945	
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>15</b>

**Spring**

POLS 4185	Internship I	3
CLA 2000+ (Non-USA / Non-East Asia Requirement 1)		3
CLA 2000+ (Interdisciplinary Elective 1)		3
CLA 2000+ (East Asia Area Requirement 2)		3
CLA/CST 0800-4999 (2000+ in a related discipline recommended)		3
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>15</b>

**Year 4****Fall**

Asian Studies 4000+ Writing Intensive <sup>WI</sup>		3
POLS 4310 or POLS 4320	Seminar in International Politics or Seminar in International Politics	3
CLA 2000+ Interdisciplinary Elective 2		3
CLA 2000+ (East Asia Area Requirement 3)		3

CLA 2000+ (Non-USA/Non-East Asia Requirement 2)	3
<b>Credit Hours</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Spring</b>	
POLS 4896 Capstone Seminar in Political Science	3
CLA/CST 0800-4999 (2000+ in a related discipline recommended)	3
CLA/CST 0800-4999 (2000+ in a related discipline recommended)	3
One Elective 0800-4999 in any School or College	3
One Elective 0800-4999 in any School or College	3
<b>Credit Hours</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>	<b>123</b>