

International Relations and Strategy

Bachelor of Arts (BA.IRS)

| Core Requirements | | | | Credits | Notes/Instructions |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|--|--|-----------|--|
| College Sem. | Quest for Meaning | CSEM 100 | | 3 | †A student may be required to take ENGL 105 and/or MATH 100 based on placement exams administered prior to their first semester at King's College. ENGL 105 and MATH 100 are 3-credit courses and will count as free electives. †† The Intercultural Competence requirement can be satisfied by taking a 100-level language class for 3 credits or participating in an approved Study Abroad experience. SBM = Satisfied By Major requirement(s) and credit(s) listed below. |
| Communication & Creative Expression | Writing | ENGL 110† | | 3 | |
| | Oral Communication | COMM 101 | | 3 | |
| | Literature | ENGL 140-149 | | 3 | |
| | The Arts | ARTS 100-149 | | 3 | |
| Citizenship | SBM History | HIST 100-149 | | - | |
| | SBM Intercultural Competence | FREN/GERM/SPAN 100-level or Study Abroad†† | | - | |
| | SBM Global Connections | ECON 150-199; GEOG 150-199 ; HIST 150-199; PS 150-199; SOC 150- | | - | |
| Quantitative & Scientific Reasoning | Quantitative Reasoning | MATH 120† or higher level | | 3 | |
| | Scientific Endeavor | NSCI 100 | | 3 | |
| | Science in Context | NSCI 171-199 | | 3 | |
| | SBM Human Beh. & Soc. Inst | ECON 111, 112 ; GEOG 101, 102; PS 101, PSYC 101, SOC 101 | | - | |
| Wisdom, Faith, & the Good Life | Introduction to Phil. | PHIL 101 | | 3 | |
| | Phil. Investigations | PHIL 170-199; MSB 287 | | 3 | |
| | Theology & Wisdom | THEO 150-159 | | 3 | |
| | Theology & the Good Life | THEO 160-169 | | 3 | |
| Total Core Credits | | | | 36 | |

| Major Requirements | | Credits | Major Requirements | | Credits | Elective ³ / Other Requirements | | Credits |
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| CARP 412 | 1 | HIST 101-103; 141-42 | 3 | HCE 101 Holy Cross Experience | 1 | | | |
| ECON 111 | 3 | HIST course** | 3 | Beginning language or elective | 3 | | | |
| ECON 112 | 3 | IRS 499 | 3 | Beginning language or elective | 3 | | | |
| ECON 221 ^{PR} or PS 221 | 3 | PS 255 | 3 | Intermediate language or elective | 3 | | | |
| ECON 358 ^{PR} | 3 | PS 271 | 3 | Intermediate language or elective | 3 | | | |
| ECON course* | 3 | PS 295 | 3 | Free Elective | 3 | | | |
| ECON 497, HIST 415/496, PS 493/496 | 3 | PS 374 | 3 | Free Elective | 3 | | | |
| ECON/GEOG/HIST/PS/SPAN+++ | 3 | PS 422 | 3 | Free Elective | 3 | | | |
| FREN/GERM/SPAN 114 or higher | 3 | PS course*** | 3 | Free Elective | 3 | | | |
| GEOG 192 | 3 | | | Free Elective | 3 | | | |
| | | | | Free Elective | 3 | | | |
| Total Major Credits | | 55 | Total Other Credits | | 31 | | | |

Total Credits Required for Graduation = 122

* Students majoring in International Relations and Strategy must complete at least one ECON course (3 credits) from the list below:

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| ECON 356 | ECON 357 | ECON 360 |
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**Students majoring in International Relations and Strategy must complete at least one HIST course (3 credits) from the list below:

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| HIST 246 | HIST 362 | HIST 368 | HIST 387 |
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***Students majoring in International Relations and Strategy must complete at least one PS course (3 credits) from the list below:

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| PS 258 | PS 372 | PS 373 | PS 431 | PS 443 | PS 492 |
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+++ IRS students must complete at least one additional ECON, GEOG, HIST, PS or SPAN course (3 credits) from the lists above or below:

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| GEOG 355 | SPAN 255 | SPAN 259 | SPAN 337 |
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IRS students must complete a study or service abroad program through which they satisfy one of the major program requirements.

General Information: A student must earn a minimum of 120 credit hours to be awarded the baccalaureate degree. The number of credit hours required for graduation may be higher in certain major programs or if the student elects to pursue a second major. Beyond the requirements of the Core Curriculum and of a student's chosen major program, the balances of the credit hours required for graduation are "free electives."

See reverse side for a suggested sequence

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Suggested Sequence

A suggested course sequence of degree requirements is listed below. Refer to the college catalog for course titles, descriptions, and prerequisites. Always consult your Academic Advisor when planning and scheduling your classes.

| Fall | | Credits | Spring | | Credits |
|--|--|-----------|--------|--|-----------|
| _____ | Language course ² (based on placement) | 3 | _____ | Language or Core Course ¹ | 3 |
| _____ | CSEM 100 Quest for Meaning | 3 | _____ | ECON 112 Introduction to Microeconomics ² | 3 |
| _____ | ECON 111 Introduction to Macroeconomics ² | 3 | _____ | ENGL 110 Academic Writing | 3 |
| _____ | GEOG 192 Global Geography ² | 3 | _____ | MATH 120 or higher level | 3 |
| _____ | HIST 101-103; 141-142 ² | 3 | _____ | Core Course ¹ | 3 |
| _____ | HCE 101 Holy Cross Experience | 1 | | | |
| | | 16 | | | 15 |
| Summer | | Credits | | | |
| | | | | | |
| Fall | | Credits | Spring | | Credits |
| _____ | COMM 101 Oral Communication | 3 | _____ | Core Course ¹ | 3 |
| _____ | Core Course ¹ | 3 | _____ | Core Course ¹ | 3 |
| _____ | ECON 221 ^{PR} or PS 221 Statistics | 3 | _____ | HIST course ** (list on reverse side) | 3 |
| _____ | Language or Core course ¹ | 3 | _____ | Language or Core Course ¹ | 3 |
| _____ | PS 271 Introduction to International Relations | 3 | _____ | PS 374 Politics of the United Nations | 3 |
| | | 15 | | | 15 |
| Summer | | Credits | | | |
| | | | | | |
| Fall | | Credits | Spring | | Credits |
| _____ | Language or Core Course ¹ | 3 | _____ | CARP 412 | 1 |
| _____ | Core Course ¹ or Free elective ³ | 3 | _____ | Core Course ¹ or Free elective ³ | 3 |
| _____ | ECON course* ^{PR} (list on reverse side) | 3 | _____ | ECON 358 ^{PR} International Economics | 3 |
| _____ | PS 255 Comparative Political Systems | 3 | _____ | Free Elective ³ | 3 |
| _____ | Free Elective ³ | 3 | _____ | PS 295 Leadership, Diversity and Strategy | 3 |
| | | 15 | _____ | PS course*** (list on reverse side) | 3 |
| | | | | | 16 |
| Summer | | Credits | | | |
| | | | | | |
| Fall | | Credits | Spring | | Credits |
| _____ | Core Course ¹ or Free elective ³ | 3 | _____ | Core Course ¹ or Free elective ³ | 3 |
| _____ | Free Elective ³ | 3 | _____ | ECON 497 ^{PR} , HIST 496/497, or PS 493/496 | 3 |
| _____ | IRS 499 Internship in International Relations | 3 | _____ | ECON ^{PR} /GEOG/HIST/PS/SPAN+++ (note on reverse) | 3 |
| _____ | Free Elective ³ | 3 | _____ | Free Elective ³ | 3 |
| _____ | PS 422 Research Methods | 3 | _____ | Free Elective ³ | 3 |
| | | 15 | | | 15 |
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NOTES:

¹Choose one course from each of the Core Requirements listed on the reverse side.

²Course may satisfy both a Major and a Core requirement.

³Students may select "free electives" for personal enrichment **OR** for Minor and/or Second Major Requirements.

^{PR}Course has a prerequisite – check college catalog.