

International Affairs and Economics, BA

This combined major fosters an awareness of global affairs and international economic issues since the early 20th century through diverse and cross-disciplinary theories of economic development and growth; states, societies, and markets (the intersection of politics and economics); and the role of states, civil societies, and social movements in crafting or addressing economic strategies, inequalities, and citizenship rights.

Program Requirements

Complete all courses listed below unless otherwise indicated. Also complete any corequisite labs, recitations, clinicals, or tools courses where specified and complete any additional courses needed beyond specific college and major requirements to satisfy graduation credit requirements.

Universitywide Requirements

All undergraduate students are required to complete the Universitywide Requirements (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/university-wide-requirements/>).

BA Language Requirements

All BA students are required to complete the BA degree language requirements, for a total of 12 semester hours of language study or demonstrated equivalent proficiency, as described in Additional Requirements for BA students (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/nupath/ba-requirements/>). Successful demonstration of proficiency does not reduce total minimum semester hours of study required to earn the BA degree.

NUpath Requirements

All undergraduate students are required to complete the NUpath Requirements (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/nupath/>).

International Affairs Requirements

Courses used to fulfill major requirements may not be used to satisfy the global dynamics requirement. See department for additional courses.

Code	Title	Hours
International Affairs/Economics at Northeastern		
INTL 1000 or ECON 1000	International Affairs at Northeastern Economics at Northeastern	1
Required Courses		
ANTH 1101 or HIST 2211 or HIST 2311	Peoples and Cultures The World Since 1945 Colonialism/Imperialism	4
INTL 1101	Globalization and International Affairs	4
INTL 3400	International Conflict and Negotiation	4
POLS 1160	International Relations	4

International Experiential Learning

Complete at least one "international semester" via study abroad, international internship, international co-op, or two short-term programs.

International Affairs Elective

Code	Title	Hours
Complete one of the following courses:		
INTL 2480	Women and World Politics	4
INTL 2500	Race and Global Human Mobility	
INTL 3150	Global Philanthropy	
INTL 3200	Cities in a Global Context	
INTL 3406	International Law	
INTL 3430	Revolution, Civil War, and Insurrection	
INTL 3450	Security, Culture, Power	
INTL 3520	Global Political Economy	
INTL 4100	Forced Migration: Refugees, Exiles, and Displaced Persons	

INTL 5010	International Human Rights Law and Policy
INTL 5100	Climate and Development

Global Dynamics Requirement

Code	Title	Hours
Complete two of the following with one course numbered 2000 or above. Courses are divided into thematic groups to aid students in deciding which courses to take and have no bearing on major requirements:		8

Code	Title	Hours
<i>Environment</i>		
ENVR 1110	Global Climate Change	
ENVR 2515	Sustainable Development	
ENVR 3150	Food Security and Sustainability	
INTL 5100	Climate and Development	
INTL 5268	International Environmental Policy	
or PPUA 5268	International Environmental Policy	
SOCL 1246	Environment and Society	
<i>Law, Diplomacy, and Global Governance</i>		
COMM 2303	Global and Intercultural Communication	
INTL 2480	Women and World Politics	
or WMNS 2480	Women and World Politics	
INTL 3520	Global Political Economy	
INTL 5010	International Human Rights Law and Policy	
POLS 1155	Comparative Politics	
POLS 1160	International Relations	
POLS 2370	Religion and Politics	
POLS 3405	International Political Economy	
POLS 3406	International Law	
POLS 4910	Model United Nations	
<i>Human Rights and Social Justice</i>		
HIST 2303	Gender and Reproductive Justice	
HIST 2373	Gender and Sexuality in World History	
INTL 2480	Women and World Politics	
or WMNS 2480	Women and World Politics	
INTL 5010	International Human Rights Law and Policy	
PHIL 5001	Global Justice	
<i>Conflict and Security</i>		
CRIM 3030	Global Criminology	
CRIM 3060	Political Crime and Terrorism	
CRIM 5203	Security in the 21st Century	
HIST 1206	Drug Trade and Drug War: History, Security, Culture	
HIST 1389	History of Espionage 1: Antiquity to World War II	
HIST 1390	History of Espionage 2: Cold War Spies	
HIST 2217	The Global Far-Right since 1945: Politics, Culture, Violence	
HIST 3330	The Global Cold War	
HIST 3334	Assassinations in World History	
HIST 3335	History of Modern Terrorism	
INTL 3430	Revolution, Civil War, and Insurrection	
INTL 3450	Security, Culture, Power	
JRNL 3300	Covering Conflicts: Peace, War, and the Media	
or INTL 3300	Covering Conflicts: Peace, War, and the Media	
PHIL 5001	Global Justice	
POLS 2282	The Holocaust and Comparative Genocide	
POLS 3418	Nationalism	

POLS 3420	U.S. National Security Policy
POLS 3423	Terrorism and Counterterrorism
POLS 3430 or INTL 3430	Revolution, Civil War, and Insurrection Revolution, Civil War, and Insurrection
POLS 4918	Model NATO
<i>Globalization</i>	
AFAM 2600	Issues in Race, Science, and Technology
ANTH 2305	Global Markets and Local Culture
ANTH 2315	Religion and Modernity
ECON 3290	History of the Global Economy
ECON 3635	International Economics
HIST 1215	Origins of Today: Historical Roots of Contemporary Issues
HIST 2211	The World Since 1945
HIST 2311	Colonialism/Imperialism
INTB 3310	Cultural Aspects of International Business
INTL 2480 or WMNS 2480	Women and World Politics Women and World Politics
INTL 3200	Cities in a Global Context
INTL 3520	Global Political Economy
POLS 1160	International Relations
POLS 2370	Religion and Politics
POLS 3405	International Political Economy
POLS 3406	International Law
<i>Population, Migration, and Diaspora</i>	
AFRS 1270 or PHTH 1270	Introduction to Global Health Introduction to Global Health
AFRS 3424	Epidemiology of Pandemic Diseases and Health Disparities in the African Diaspora
ANTH 1101	Peoples and Cultures
HIST 1218	Pirates, Planters, and Patriots: Making the Americas, 1492–1804
HIST 1219	History of Global Pandemics
INTL 2500	Race and Global Human Mobility
INTL 3200	Cities in a Global Context
INTL 4100	Forced Migration: Refugees, Exiles, and Displaced Persons
PHIL 1111	Introduction to World Religions
PHIL 1271	Sex in Judaism, Christianity, and Islam
<i>Development</i>	
ANTH 2305	Global Markets and Local Culture
ECON 1291	Development Economics
ECON 3404	International Food Policy
ECON 3405	A Critique of Capitalism
ENVR 2515	Sustainable Development
HIST 2011	Capitalism and Business: A Global History
INNO 2206	Global Social Enterprise
INTB 1203 or INTB 1209	International Business and Global Social Responsibility International Business and Global Social Responsibility
INTL 3150	Global Philanthropy
INTL 3520	Global Political Economy
INTL 5100	Climate and Development
PHTH 5230	Global Health
POLS 3487	Politics of Developing Nations
<i>Communication and Media</i>	
COMM 2303	Global and Intercultural Communication
INTB 3310	Cultural Aspects of International Business

JRNL 3300	Covering Conflicts: Peace, War, and the Media
or INTL 3300	Covering Conflicts: Peace, War, and the Media
JRNL 5360	Global Reporting
MSCR 2325	Global Media

Regional Analysis Requirement

Code	Title	Hours
Complete three of the following, two of which must be in one region. Select courses taken during a semester study abroad or specific Dialogue of Civilizations courses may count as regional analysis courses pending approval of the international affairs head faculty advisor. See department for additional courses:		12

Code	Title	Hours
<i>Africa</i>		
AFRS 1101	Introduction to African Studies	
AFRS 2307	Africa Today	
AFRS 2900	Swahili, Culture, and Politics in Kenya	
AFRS 3460	Contemporary Government and Politics in Africa	
AFRS 4939	Community Health, Culture, and Development in Kenya	
ANTH 4350	Ethnography of Southeast Asia	
ANTH 4510	Anthropology of Africa	
HIST 1180	African History	
INNO 3308	Business Economic History of South Africa	
INTL 2464	Natural Resources and Sustainable Development	
or AFRS 2464	Natural Resources and Sustainable Development	
<i>Asia</i>		
ANTH 4515	Culture and Politics in Modern India	
ASNS 1150	East Asian Studies	
or HIST 1150	East Asian Studies	
CLTR 1500	Modern Chinese History and Culture	
CLTR 1506	Introduction to Chinese Popular Culture	
CLTR 1700	Introduction to Japanese Pop Culture	
HIST 1246	World War II in the Pacific	
HIST 1252	Japanese Literature and Culture	
HIST 1500	Modern Chinese History and Culture	
HIST 2351	Modern Japan	
PHIL 1275	Hinduism, Buddhism, and Beyond	
PHIL 1290	Chinese Philosophy and Religion	
PHIL 2395	Japanese Buddhism	
POLS 3482	East Asian Politics	
POLS 3485	China: Governance and Foreign Policy	
<i>Europe</i>		
CLTR 1501	Introduction to French Culture	
CLTR 1503	Introduction to Italian Culture	
CLTR 1504	Cultural History of Spain	
HIST 1170	Europe: Empires, Revolutions, Wars, and Their Aftermath	
HIST 1272	Europe in the Middle Ages, 500–1500	
HIST 1286	History of the Soviet Union	
HIST 2370	Renaissance to Enlightenment	
HIST 2375	The Tudors, the Stuarts, and the Birth of Modern Britain	
INTL 3455	Russian Foreign Policy	
or POLS 3455	Russian Foreign Policy	
POLS 3435	Politics and Governance of Europe and the European Union	
<i>Latin America</i>		

ANTH 4500	Latin American Society and Development
CLTR 1240	Latin American Film
CLTR 1502	Introduction to Arabic Culture
CLTR 1505	Latin American Culture, History, and Politics
CLTR 3715	New Narratives: Latin America after 1989
CLTR 3720	Literature, Arts, and Poverty in Latin America
CLTR 4655	Latin American Literature
ECON 1292	Economic History of the Middle East
HIST 1185	Introduction to Middle Eastern History
HIST 1187	Introduction to Latin American History
HIST 2025	Latin American History through Film
LACS 1220	Latino, Latin American, and Caribbean Studies
<i>Middle East</i>	
INTL 1150	The Mediterranean World: An Overview
INTL 1160	Middle East Studies
INTL 2200	America and the Middle East
INTL 3250	Democracy and Development in North Africa and the Mediterranean
PHIL 1280	Islam: Rituals, Traditions, and Debates
PHIL 1285	Jewish Religion and Culture
POLS 3465	Government and Politics in the Middle East

International Affairs Foreign Language Requirement

Complete coursework in a language through at least intermediate-level two (course number 2101 or higher). *Note:* Completing this requirement satisfies the language requirement for the BA degree.

Economics Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Required Economics Courses		
ECON 1115	Principles of Macroeconomics	4
ECON 1116	Principles of Microeconomics	4
ECON 2315	Macroeconomic Theory	4
ECON 2316	Microeconomic Theory	4
ECON 2350	Statistics for Economists	4
ECON 3520	History of Economic Thought	4

Economics Electives

Code	Title	Hours
Complete three Economics elective courses from the following ranges with no more than one in the ECON 1200 to ECON 1999 range. Additionally, courses used to satisfy international affairs requirements, courses used to satisfy the integrative requirement, and ECON 3520 may not be used as Economics electives.		12

ECON 1200 to ECON 1999

ECON 2990 to ECON 4689

ECON 4900 to ECON 4996

ECON 5200 to ECON 5999

Supporting Courses

Code	Title	Hours
Calculus		
It is recommended that MATH 1241 or higher is chosen.		
MATH 1231	Calculus for Business and Economics	4
or MATH 1241	Calculus 1	
or MATH 1245	Calculus with Applications	
or MATH 1251	Calculus and Differential Equations for Biology 1	
or MATH 1340	Intensive Calculus for Engineers	
or MATH 1341	Calculus 1 for Science and Engineering	

Methods

Complete one of the following:		4-5
CS 1100 and CS 1101	Computer Science and Its Applications and Lab for CS 1100	
DS 2000 and DS 2001	Programming with Data and Data Science Programming Practicum	
INTL 2718	Research Methods in International Affairs	
MISM 2510	Fundamentals of Information Analytics	

Integrative Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Development Economics		
ECON 1291	Development Economics	4
Senior Seminar		
Complete one of the following with a thesis or project that integrates both international affairs and economics:		
ECON 4692 or ECON 4997 or INTL 4700	Senior Economics Seminar Senior Economics Thesis Senior Capstone Seminar in International Affairs	4

International Affairs and Economics Combined-Major GPA

Grades in the following Economics courses must average a minimum of C (2.000):

Code	Title	Hours
ECON 2315	Macroeconomic Theory	4
ECON 2316	Microeconomic Theory	4
ECON 2350	Statistics for Economists	4

International Affairs and Economics Combined-Major Credit Requirement

Complete 88 semester hours in the major.

Experiential Liberal Arts

All students in this College of Social Sciences and Humanities program are required to complete the Experiential Liberal Arts Requirement (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/social-sciences-humanities/#ela>).

Program Requirement

128 total semester hours required

Plan of Study**Four Years, Two Co-ops in Summer 2/Fall**

Year 1								
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours	Hours
ECON 1115	4	ECON 1116	4	ECON elective 1	4	Elective	4	4
ENGW 1111	4	HIST 2211	4	INTL elective	4	Elective	4	4
INTL 1000	1	MATH 1231, 1241, 1245, 1251, 1340, or 1341	4					
INTL 1101	4	POLS 1160	4					
Foreign language core course	4							
		17			16			8
Year 2								
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours	Hours
CS 1100, MISM 2510, or DS 2000 <i>and</i> DS 2001	4	ECON 2316	4	ECON elective 2	4	Co-op	4	0
ECON 2315	4	ECON 2350	4	Elective	4			
Foreign language core course	4	Foreign language core course	4					

INTL elective	4	INTL elective	4				
	16		16		8		0
Year 3							
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours
Co-op	0	ECON 3520	4	INTL elective	4	Co-op	0
		INTL 3400	4	Elective	4		
		INTL elective	4				
		Elective	4				
	0		16		8		0
Year 4							
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours				
Co-op	0	ECON 4692 or 4997	4				
		ECON elective 3	4				
		INTL elective	4				
		INTL elective	4				
		or INTL 4700					
	0		16				

Total Hours: 129