

# POLITICAL SCIENCE: INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

## SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY MADRID

### DEGREE(S)

- + B.A. in Political Science: International Relations
- + M.A. in Political Science and Public Affairs with a concentration in International Relations and Crises
- + Accelerated B.A.-to-M.A. Political Science Program
- + Minor in Political Science

### PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The B.A. in Political Science with a concentration in International Relations is an innovative and rigorous course of study designed to enhance knowledge and understanding of global affairs. In addition to traditional lectures, as a political science student at SLU-Madrid, your academic experience draws from guest speakers, simulation games, case studies, student presentations, debates and videos, class trips and institutional visits (when possible).

In the culturally rich context of the SLU-Madrid Campus, with students hailing from more than 50 different countries, you will learn about international politics from our expert faculty, from distinguished guest speakers, as well as from other students during class discussions.

The political science faculty are equally international, with professors originating from European and non-European countries (Argentina, France, Romania, Spain, Syria, and the United States.)

Seniors are also given the option of completing a senior thesis and/or an internship for credit at an intergovernmental or non-governmental organization. Our Internships Service will help you identifying opportunities both inside and outside of Spain.

In keeping with the Jesuit tradition of promoting the development of the whole person, the political science major also requires the Arts and Sciences Core Curriculum. The Core provides a framework for acquiring a broad foundation of knowledge in the humanities, natural sciences and social sciences.

### CURRICULUM

Political science courses offered at SLU-Madrid include (but are not limited to):

- + Foundations of Political Theory
- + Methods in Political Science
- + International Contemporary Challenges
- + American Political Systems
- + Introduction to Latin American Politics
- + Politics of the Middle East and North Africa
- + Introduction to International Political Economy
- + International Terrorism
- + The Theory and Practice of Human Rights
- + Green Politics: Political Responses to the Ecological Crisis
- + Contemporary Latin America
- + Spain and the World
- + Democracy in Eastern Europe
- + Political Development in Contemporary Spain
- + The Spanish Civil War: Conflict and Political Legacy
- + Government, Politics and Societies of Modern Asia
- + Inequality and the American Representation System
- + International Organizations in a World of Nation States
- + The European Union: Politics and Political Economy
- + The Use of Force in International Relations
- + Advanced Politics: International Terrorism

The B.A. in Political Science requires coursework in the following areas:

- + American Politics
- + Comparative Politics
- + International Relations
- + Political Thought
- + Methods in Political Science
- + Economics
- + Communication

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### WHY CHOOSE THIS PROGRAM?

The political science degree fosters in its graduates a theoretical and empirical understanding of key international dynamics, majors crises and opportunities for change. Our goal is to strengthen our students' awareness and capacities of anticipation and to become actors for positive change.

A Bachelor of Arts in Political Science: International Relations prepares you for a wide variety of career options:

- + Local, state and federal government
- + Diplomacy
- + Interest groups
- + International business and trade
- + International governmental and non-governmental organizations
- + Development and/or humanitarian organizations
- + Policy analysis and political research
- + Think tanks
- + Education

### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- + Online Application Form // Common Application
- + 2 letters of recommendation (encouraged)
- + Curriculum vitae/résumé (encouraged)

First-year Students:

- + Secondary school academic transcripts
- + University entrance exam scores (SAT/ACT, IB diploma, A levels, PAU/Selectividad, etc.)

Transfer Students:

- + College transcript(s)
- + Proof of high school graduation

Non-native English speakers must submit an official English exam (TOEFL or IELTS).

Detailed information is available on our website:

<https://www.slu.edu/madrid/academics/degrees-and-programs/political-science.php>

### SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL AID

SLU-Madrid is committed to supporting students—and their families—who choose to invest in themselves and their future by studying at the Madrid Campus. Each student, from any state in the U.S., any region in Spain, any country in and outside of the EU, is eligible for University-funded aid. Scholarship/financial aid programs available include:

- + Merit Scholarships
- + Grants and Loans
- + Departmental Support Scholarships
- + Jesuit High School Award
- + Catholic High School Award
- + Madrid Campus Antiguos Alumnos Award
- + Family Award

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