Suggested Pre-Reading List

Many BSIS students – especially those without a prior specialisation in Political Science, International Relations, or International Law and those for whom it has been several years since they have found themselves in an academic setting – benefit from reading from the texts listed below before they begin their selected Programme. While you will be able to access the assigned and suggested readings for each specific module through the BSIS Intranet once you have enrolled online, these texts offer students a good foundation in the fundamentals of international studies.

The works below are categorised by degree, but these categorisations are by no means exclusive: as BSIS takes a highly interdisciplinary approach to international studies, some sampling from the list below is recommended for students in all programmes from International Conflict and Security to International Migration to International Economic Law. It is strongly recommended that incoming students familiarise themselves with at least one – and preferably several – of these fundamental texts. Doing so will not only assist you in getting the most out of your programme, it will also help you to contribute to your fellow students’ learning in the (critical) first few months!

All of these works are available at most libraries and academic bookstores as well as through online resources.

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