

SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND POLITICS AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

POLITICS AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Subject Website: [School of Economics, Politics and IR](#)

Please refer to the online **Module Catalogue** for full details of all modules:

www.kent.ac.uk/courses/modules

Stages 2 and 3

- *Subject requirements are for students entering the specified stage in the 2026-27 academic year only.*
- *Where modules are running across two terms, assume an even split of credits in each term e.g 40 credits Spring and Summer = 20 credits in Spring and 20 credits in Summer.*
- *For Joint Honours courses, you must have at least 100 credits of modules in each subject across Stages 2 and 3.*

Please select a link below to view the Stage 2 and 3 requirements for your course:

- [Politics and International Relations](#)
- [Politics and International Relations with a Foundation Year](#)
- [Politics and international relations with an International Foundation Year – UKIC Yr 0 Jan start](#)
- [Politics and International Relations \(Bi-diplôme\)](#)
- [Politics and International Relations with a Year in Continental Europe](#)
- [Politics and International Relations with a Year in North America](#)
- [Politics and International Relations with a Year in Industry](#)
- [Politics and International Relations with a Year in the Asia-Pacific](#)
- [Politics and International Relations with a Language](#)
- [Politics and International Relations \(Quantitative Research\)](#)
- [Politics and International Relations \(Quantitative Research\) with a Year in Industry](#)
- [Politics and International Relations \(Quantitative Research\) with a Year in the Asia-Pacific](#)
- [Politics and International Relations \(Quantitative Research\) with a Year in Continental Europe](#)
- [Politics and International Relations \(Quantitative Research\) with a Year in North America](#)

The information contained herein is correct at the time of publication. Please note however, that if a module recruits fewer than 8 students it is possible that it will not run. In this event, you will be contacted and asked to select an alternative module.

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YEAR
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CONTINENTAL EUROPE
POLITICS AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS WITH A YEAR IN
NORTH AMERICA**

**UPLR0001X1BA-F
UPLR0001F1BA-F
UPCE0001A1BA-F
UPNA0001A1BA-F**

STAGE 2

You must take 120 credits in total - 40 in each term

You must take the following compulsory modules:

Stage 2 Compulsory Modules					
KV CODE	MODULE TITLE	LEVEL	CREDITS	TERM	NOTES
POLI5010	Global Governance of Peace and Security	5	20	Autumn	
POLI5011	Doing Politics with Words	5	20	Spring	
POLI5012	Doing Politics with Numbers	5	20	Summer	
Compulsory Total			60		

PLUS 60 credits from the following optional modules:

Stage 2 Optional Modules					
KV CODE	MODULE TITLE	LEVEL	CREDITS	TERM	NOTES
POLI5013	The Politics of the EU	5	20	Spring	
POLI5014	Democracy under Threat	5	20	Autumn	
POLI5015	American Politics	5	20	Summer	
POLI5016	The Politics of Climate Change	5	20	Spring	
POLI5017	Foreign Policy: Systems, States and Leaders	5	20	Summer	
POLI5018	State and Revolution: Foundations of Modern Political Thought	5	20	Autumn	
SOCI5006	Popular Culture, Media and Society	5	20	Summer	

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You must take the following compulsory modules:

Stage A – For students on a Year Abroad					
KV CODE	MODULE TITLE	LEVEL	CREDITS	TERM	NOTES
ABRD5000	Year Abroad	5	120	Autumn to Late Summer	Cannot be condoned or compensated Pass/Fail
Compulsory Total			120		

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STAGE 3

You must take 120 credits in total - 40 in each term

You must take the following compulsory module:

Stage 3 Compulsory Module					
KV CODE	MODULE TITLE	LEVEL	CREDITS	TERM	NOTES
POLI6010	Final Year Project	6	40	Spring and Summer	Cannot be condoned or compensated
Compulsory Total			40		

PLUS 60 - 80 credits from the following optional modules:

Stage 3 Optional Modules					
KV CODE	MODULE TITLE	LEVEL	CREDITS	TERM	NOTES
POLI6012	Contemporary Political Theory	6	20	Autumn	
POLI6013	Transforming British Politics	6	20	Autumn	
POLI6014	Public Opinion in Politics	6	20	Summer	
POLI6015	Dictatorships	6	20	Spring	
POLI6016	Political Theory of the Future	6	20	Summer	
POLI6017	Who Do You Think You Are? On Identity Politics	6	20	Spring	
POLI6018	The International Politics of the Middle East and North Africa	6	20	Autumn	
POLI6019	Security Challenges in the Indo-Pacific	6	20	Autumn	
POLI6020	Negotiation: Theory and Practice	6	20	Spring	
POLI6021	Politics of the Global Economy	6	20	Summer	

If 60 credits of the above modules have been taken, the remaining 20 credits can be taken from the following Sociology modules:

Stage 3 Optional Modules					
KV CODE	MODULE TITLE	LEVEL	CREDITS	TERM	NOTES
SOCI6016	Environmental Sociology, Politics and Protest	6	20	Summer	
SOCI6197	Protest, Activism, and Social Change	6	20	Spring	

STAGE A2

You must take the following compulsory modules:

Stage A2 – 4 th Year – Lille					
KV CODE	MODULE TITLE	LEVEL	CREDITS	TERM	NOTES
POLI6410	Lille Year Abroad (A2) Mark 1	6	30	Autumn and Spring	
POLI6420	Lille Year Abroad (A2) Mark 2	6	30	Autumn and Spring	
POLI6430	Lille Year Abroad (A2) Mark 3	6	30	Autumn and Spring	
POLI6440	Lille Year Abroad (A2) Mark 4	6	30	Autumn and Spring	
Compulsory Total			120		

POLITICS AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS WITH A YEAR IN INDUSTRY

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STAGE 2

You must take 120 credits in total - 40 in each term

You must take the following compulsory modules:

Stage 2 Compulsory Modules					
KV CODE	MODULE TITLE	LEVEL	CREDITS	TERM	NOTES
POLI5010	Global Governance of Peace and Security	5	20	Autumn	
POLI5011	Doing Politics with Words	5	20	Spring	
POLI5012	Doing Politics with Numbers	5	20	Summer	
Compulsory Total			60		

PLUS 60 credits from the following optional modules:

Stage 2 Optional Modules					
KV CODE	MODULE TITLE	LEVEL	CREDITS	TERM	NOTES
POLI5013	The Politics of the EU	5	20	Spring	
POLI5014	Democracy under Threat	5	20	Autumn	
POLI5015	American Politics	5	20	Summer	
POLI5016	The Politics of Climate Change	5	20	Spring	
POLI5017	Foreign Policy: Systems, States and Leaders	5	20	Summer	
POLI5018	State and Revolution: Foundations of Modern Political Thought	5	20	Autumn	
SOCI5006	Popular Culture, Media and Society	5	20	Summer	

POLITICS AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS WITH A YEAR IN INDUSTRY

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You must take the following compulsory modules:

Stage S – For Students on a Year in Industry					
KV CODE	MODULE TITLE	LEVEL	CREDITS	TERM	NOTES
POLI6100	Politics Industry Placement	6	100	Autumn to Late Summer	Cannot be reassessed, compensated or condoned
POLI6101	Politics Industry Report	6	20	Late Summer	
Compulsory Total			120		

STAGE 3

You must take 120 credits in total - 40 in each term

You must take the following compulsory modules:

Stage 3 Compulsory Module					
KV CODE	MODULE TITLE	LEVEL	CREDITS	TERM	NOTES
POLI6010	Final Year Project	6	40	Spring and Summer	Cannot be condoned or compensated
Compulsory Total			40		

PLUS 60 - 80 credits from the following optional modules:

Stage 3 Optional Modules					
KV CODE	MODULE TITLE	LEVEL	CREDITS	TERM	NOTES
POLI6012	Contemporary Political Theory	6	20	Autumn	
POLI6013	Transforming British Politics	6	20	Autumn	
POLI6014	Public Opinion in Politics	6	20	Summer	
POLI6015	Dictatorships	6	20	Spring	
POLI6016	Political Theory of the Future	6	20	Summer	
POLI6017	Who Do You Think You Are? On Identity Politics	6	20	Spring	
POLI6018	The International Politics of the Middle East and North Africa	6	20	Autumn	
POLI6019	Security Challenges in the Indo-Pacific	6	20	Autumn	
POLI6020	Negotiation: Theory and Practice	6	20	Spring	
POLI6021	Politics of the Global Economy	6	20	Summer	

If 60 credits of the above modules have been taken, the remaining 20 credits can be taken from the following Sociology modules:

Stage 3 Optional Modules					
KV CODE	MODULE TITLE	LEVEL	CREDITS	TERM	NOTES
SOCI6016	Environmental Sociology, Politics and Protest	6	20	Summer	
SOCI6197	Protest, Activism, and Social Change	6	20	Spring	

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You must take the following compulsory modules:

Stage 2 Compulsory Modules					
KV CODE	MODULE TITLE	LEVEL	CREDITS	TERM	NOTES
POLI5010	Global Governance of Peace and Security	5	20	Autumn	
POLI5011	Doing Politics with Words	5	20	Spring	
POLI5012	Doing Politics with Numbers	5	20	Summer	
Compulsory Total			60		

Students intending to study in mainland China or Taiwan should take the following Mandarin language modules:

Stage 2 Mandarin Chinese Modules					
KV CODE	MODULE TITLE	LEVEL	CREDITS	TERM	NOTES
WOLA5008	Mandarin Chinese Immersion 1	5	20	Autumn	
WOLA5009	Mandarin Chinese Immersion 2	5	20	Spring	
Compulsory Total			40		

PLUS 20 credits from the following optional modules:

Stage 2 Optional Modules					
KV CODE	MODULE TITLE	LEVEL	CREDITS	TERM	NOTES
POLI5015	American Politics	5	20	Summer	
POLI5017	Foreign Policy: Systems, States and Leaders	5	20	Summer	
SOCI5006	Popular Culture, Media and Society	5	20	Summer	

Students intending to study in Japan should take the following Japanese language modules:

Stage 2 Japanese Modules					
KV CODE	MODULE TITLE	LEVEL	CREDITS	TERM	NOTES
WOLA5006	Japanese Immersion 1	5	20	Autumn	
WOLA5007	Japanese Immersion 2	5	20	Spring	
Compulsory Total			40		

PLUS 20 credits from the following optional modules:

Stage 2 Optional Modules					
KV CODE	MODULE TITLE	LEVEL	CREDITS	TERM	NOTES
POLI5015	American Politics	5	20	Summer	
POLI5017	Foreign Policy: Systems, States and Leaders	5	20	Summer	
SOCI5006	Popular Culture, Media and Society	5	20	Summer	

Students fluent in the relevant language, or those intending to study in Hong Kong or Singapore, should take 60 credits from the following optional modules:

Stage 2 Optional Modules					
KV CODE	MODULE TITLE	LEVEL	CREDITS	TERM	NOTES
POLI5013	The Politics of the EU	5	20	Spring	
POLI5014	Democracy under Threat	5	20	Autumn	
POLI5015	American Politics	5	20	Summer	
POLI5016	The Politics of Climate Change	5	20	Spring	
POLI5017	Foreign Policy: Systems, States and Leaders	5	20	Summer	
POLI5018	State and Revolution: Foundations of Modern Political Thought	5	20	Autumn	
SOCI5006	Popular Culture, Media and Society	5	20	Summer	

POLITICS AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS WITH A YEAR IN THE ASIA-PACIFIC

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You must take the following compulsory modules:

Stage A – For students on a Year Abroad					
KV CODE	MODULE TITLE	LEVEL	CREDITS	TERM	NOTES
ABRD5000	Year Abroad	5	120	Autumn to Late Summer	Cannot be condoned or compensated Pass/Fail
Compulsory Total			120		

STAGE 3

You must take 120 credits in total - 40 in each term

You must take the following compulsory modules:

Stage 3 Compulsory Module					
KV CODE	MODULE TITLE	LEVEL	CREDITS	TERM	NOTES
POLI6010	Final Year Project	6	40	Spring and Summer	Cannot be condoned or compensated
Compulsory Total			40		

PLUS 60 - 80 credits from the following optional modules:

Stage 3 Optional Modules					
KV CODE	MODULE TITLE	LEVEL	CREDITS	TERM	NOTES
POLI6012	Contemporary Political Theory	6	20	Autumn	
POLI6013	Transforming British Politics	6	20	Autumn	
POLI6014	Public Opinion in Politics	6	20	Summer	
POLI6015	Dictatorships	6	20	Spring	
POLI6016	Political Theory of the Future	6	20	Summer	
POLI6017	Who Do You Think You Are? On Identity Politics	6	20	Spring	
POLI6018	The International Politics of the Middle East and North Africa	6	20	Autumn	
POLI6019	Security Challenges in the Indo-Pacific	6	20	Autumn	
POLI6020	Negotiation: Theory and Practice	6	20	Spring	
POLI6021	Politics of the Global Economy	6	20	Summer	

If 60 credits of the above modules have been taken, the remaining 20 credits can be taken from the following Sociology modules:

Stage 3 Optional Modules					
KV CODE	MODULE TITLE	LEVEL	CREDITS	TERM	NOTES
SOCI6016	Environmental Sociology, Politics and Protest	6	20	Summer	
SOCI6197	Protest, Activism, and Social Change	6	20	Spring	

STAGE 3

You must take 120 credits in total - 40 in each term

You must take the following compulsory modules:

Stage 3 Compulsory Module					
KV CODE	MODULE TITLE	LEVEL	CREDITS	TERM	NOTES
POLI6010	Final Year Project	6	40	Spring and Summer	Cannot be condoned or compensated
Compulsory Total			40		

PLUS 80 credits from the following optional modules:

Stage 3 Optional Modules					
KV CODE	MODULE TITLE	LEVEL	CREDITS	TERM	NOTES
POLI6012	Contemporary Political Theory	6	20	Autumn	
POLI6013	Transforming British Politics	6	20	Autumn	
POLI6014	Public Opinion in Politics	6	20	Summer	
POLI6015	Dictatorships	6	20	Spring	
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POLI6017	Who Do You Think You Are? On Identity Politics	6	20	Spring	
POLI6018	The International Politics of the Middle East and North Africa	6	20	Autumn	
POLI6019	Security Challenges in the Indo-Pacific	6	20	Autumn	
POLI6020	Negotiation: Theory and Practice	6	20	Spring	
POLI6021	Politics of the Global Economy	6	20	Summer	
FREN6001	French Immersion 3	6	20	Summer	
GRMN6001	German Immersion 3	6	20	Summer	
HISP6000	Spanish Immersion 3	6	20	Summer	
ITAL6000	Italian Immersion 3	6	20	Summer	
SOCI6016	Environmental Sociology, Politics and Protest	6	20	Summer	Students may only select one SOCI prefixed module
SOCI6197	Protest, Activism, and Social Change	6	20	Spring	Students may only select one SOCI prefixed module

POLITICS AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (QUANTITATIVE RESEARCH)

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POLITICS AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (QUANTITATIVE RESEARCH) WITH A YEAR IN INDUSTRY

UPLRQUA3P1BS-F

POLITICS AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (QUANTITATIVE RESEARCH) WITH A YEAR IN THE ASIA-PACIFIC

UPIPQUA3A1BS-F

POLITICS AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (QUANTITATIVE RESEARCH) WITH A YEAR IN CONTINENTAL EUROPE

UPCEQUA3A1BS-F

POLITICS AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (QUANTITATIVE RESEARCH) WITH A YEAR IN NORTH AMERICA

UPNAQUA3A1BS-F

STAGE 3

You must take 120 credits in total - 40 in each term

You must take the following compulsory modules:

Stage 3 Compulsory Modules					
KV CODE	MODULE TITLE	LEVEL	CREDITS	TERM	NOTES
POLI6010	Final Year Project	6	40	Spring and Summer	Cannot be condoned or compensated
POLI6022	Social Research in Practice	6	40	Spring and Summer	
SOCI6026	Analysing Data in the Real World	6	20	Autumn	
Compulsory Total			100		

PLUS 20 credits from the following optional modules:

Stage 3 Optional Modules					
KV CODE	MODULE TITLE	LEVEL	CREDITS	TERM	NOTES
POLI6012	Contemporary Political Theory	6	20	Autumn	
POLI6013	Transforming British Politics	6	20	Autumn	
POLI6018	The International Politics of the Middle East and North Africa	6	20	Autumn	
POLI6019	Security Challenges in the Indo-Pacific	6	20	Autumn	