

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND INTERNATIONAL LAW (MSc/PgDip/PgCert)

57LMINB1/61LMINVX/62LMINVZ

Duration: 12 months full-time or 24 months part-time. *Duration* (MSc); 9 months full-time or 18 months part-time (PgDip); 4 months full-time or 8 months part-time (PgCert).

Content:

All candidates must take the following courses:

FULL TIME ROUTE

Stage 1

IR5001 Theories and Concepts in International Relations (30 credit points)
LS501K International Law (30 credit points)
LS501T Critical Legal Thinking and Scholarship (0 credit points)

Stage 2

In addition to the above, candidates must take courses to the value of 60 credit points. At least one course from the IR electives and one from the LS courses must be taken.

IR Electives:

IR5508 Latin America: Security Conditions and Challenges (30 credit points)
PI5502 Global Security Issues (30 credit points)
PI5520 Terrorism & Counter Terrorism (30 credit points)

LS Electives

LS551G International Humanitarian Law (30 credits)
LS5590 International Human Rights Law (30 credit points)
LS5549 The Use of Force in International Law (30 credit points)

Stage 3

IR5901 Dissertation in International Relations (60 credit points)

Assessment: By course work, by written examination, or by a combination of these, as prescribed for each course. The degree of MScIR will not be awarded to a candidate who fails to achieve a CGS mark of D3 or above in the specified dissertation course, irrespective of their performance in other courses: such candidates may, at the discretion of the Examiners, be awarded a Postgraduate Diploma.

PART TIME ROUTE

This route will run over two years. Students can take up to 120 credit points in a single year. IR5901 must be taken in Year 2. The following courses are compulsory and can be taken in either Year 1 or Year 2:

IR5001 Theories and Concepts in International Relations (30 credit points)
LS501K International Law (30 credit points)
LS501T Critical Legal Thinking and Scholarship (0 credit points)

Plus at least one course from the IR electives and one from the LS courses must be taken.

IR Electives:

IR5508 Latin America: Security Conditions and Challenges (30 credit points)
PI5502 Global Security Issues (30 credit points)
PI5520 Terrorism & Counter Terrorism (30 credit points)

LS Electives

LS551G International Humanitarian Law (30 credits)

LS5590 International Human Rights Law (30 credit points)
LS5549 The Use of Force in International Law (30 credit points)

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