

**INTERNATIONAL FINANCE AND POLITICAL RELATIONS (SEPTEMBER START – FULL-TIME)  
(MSc/PgDip/PgCert)**

**57L15SB1/61L15SVX/62L15SVZ**

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

Overview: International Finance and Political Relations is an interdisciplinary programme, delivered between the School of Social Science and the Aberdeen Business School, introducing postgraduate students to a range of theoretical and empirical knowledge, as well as critical thinking and data analysis skills, focusing on key aspects of contemporary global finance, international markets, politics and society. Candidates shall be required to attend a programme of courses as below:

**FULL TIME ROUTE**

Stage 1

- PD5006 Getting Started at the University of Aberdeen (0 credit points)
- IR5007 International Political Economy: Theory and Themes (30 credits)
- BU5033 Economic Analysis (15 credits)
- BU5034 Issues in Corporate Finance (15 credits)

Stage 2

- BU5526 Portfolio Analysis (15 credits)
- BU5575 Financial Analysis and Markets (15 credits)
- SO5512 Dimensions of Globalization (30 credits)

Stage 3 (MSc only)

- BU5903 Dissertation for Finance Programmes (60 credits) OR
- IR5905 Dissertation in International Political Economy (60 credits)

**PART TIME ROUTE**

Year 1

This route will run over two years. Students can take up to 120 credit points in a single year. PD5006 must be taken in Year 1. BU5903 OR IR5905 must be taken in Year 2.

- PD5006 Getting Started at the University of Aberdeen (0 credit points)

The following courses are compulsory and can be taken in either

Year 1 or Year 2:

- IR5007 International Political Economy: Theory and Themes (30 credits)
- SO5512 Dimensions of Globalization (30 credits)
- BU5033 Economic Analysis (15 credits)
- BU5034 Issues in Corporate Finance (15 credits)
- BU5526 Portfolio Analysis (15 credits)
- BU5575 Financial Analysis and Markets (15 credits)

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Year 2:

**EITHER**

BU5903 Dissertation for Finance Programmes (60 credit points)

OR

IR5905 Dissertation in International Political Economy (60 credit points)

*Assessment:* By in-course assessment, as prescribed for each course, and by submission of a dissertation. The degree of MSc shall not be awarded to a candidate who fails to achieve a CGS marks of D3 in BU5903 OR IR5905, irrespective of their performance in other courses.