

**BIR Batch 13 Academic Handout
(Curriculum Revision 2021)**

Curriculum Structure

1. General Education Course 30 Credits

Part 1: (21 Credits) Student must complete the following courses in accordance with the requirements of Thammasat University

- **Sociology**
 - TU100 Civic Engagement
 - TU101 Thailand, ASEAN and the World
- **Anthropology**
 - TU102 Social Life Skills
- **Science and Mathematics**
 - TU103 Life and Sustainability
- **Languages**
 - TU050 English Skill Development (*no credit*)
 - TU105 Communication Skills in English
 - TU104 Critical Thinking, Reading and Writing
 - TU106 Creativity and Communication

Part 2: (9 Credits) Student must complete the following courses in accordance with the requirements of Faculty of Political Science

- PI121 Introduction to Social Science
- PI122 Introduction to Humanities
- Select one course from:
 - PI131 Sports and Politics
 - PI132 Data, Science and Technology Governance

2. Major Requirements 91 Credits

2.1 Core Courses (30 Credits)

- PI210 Introduction to Political Philosophy
- PI211 Introduction to Political Science
- PI241 Introduction to Public Administration and Public Policy
- PI271 Introduction to International Relations
- PI280 International Relations Theories and Current Affairs
- PI282 Reading and Analysis in International Relations
- PI300 Social Science Methodology
- PI320 Comparative Politics
- PI321 Thai Politics and Government
- PI390 Global Political Economy

2.2 Required Courses in Concentration (19 Credits)

- PI370 Thai Foreign Affairs
- PI270 Diplomatic History
- PI272 Foreign Policy Analysis
- PI291 International Law

- PI292 International Organizations and Regimes
- PI470 Seminar: International Relations Theories
- PI574 Internship in Politics and International Relations (1 credit)

2.3 Required Course in Faculty of Economics (3 Credits)

- EE210 Introductory Economics

2.4 Elective Courses in Concentration (18 Credits)

- **Area Studies Groups**

select 3 courses (9 credits) of following courses:

- PI364 Middle East in Global Politics
- PI365 Russia in Global Politics
- PI366 The United States of America in Global Politics
- PI367 Europe in Global Politics
- PI368 South Asia in Global Politics
- PI369 Africa in Global Politics
- PI374 China in Global Politics
- PI375 Latin America in Global Politics
- PI378 Japan in Global Politics
- PI474 East Asia in Global Politics
- PI475 Southeast Asia in Global Politics
- PI476 ASEAN in Global Politics

- **Approaches and Issues Groups**

select 3 courses (9 credits) of following courses:

- PI376 Alternative Approaches in International Relations
- PI377 Security Studies
- PI379 Religion and Global Politics
- PI477 Global Geopolitics
- PI478 Political Psychology and International Relations
- PI479 Global Politics through Film
- PI483 Seminar: Non-Western International Relations Theories
- PI484 Seminar: International Regimes, Institutions, and Governance
- PI485 Selected Topics in Political Science
- PI486 Comparative Regionalism
- PI487 The International Relations of Rising Powers
- PI488 Classical Theories in International Relations
- PI489 Epistemology and Global Politics

2.5 Minor Courses (21 Credits)

- **Governance and Transnational Studies**
 - **Required Courses (9 Credits)**
 - PI380 Nation-State and Transnationalism
 - PI381 Globalization and Global Governance
 - PI382 Politics of International Development
 - **Elective Courses**
select 2 courses (6 credits) of following courses:
 - PI313 Media and Global Politics
 - PI373 Transnational Crime and Global Governance
 - PI383 Ethics and International Relations
 - PI384 Selected Topics in Global Governance
 - PI385 Peace Studies
 - PI386 Gender Studies
 - PI387 Environment and Global Politics
 - PI388 Human Security in Global Politics
 - PI389 Global Civil Society
 - PI413 Seminar: Globalization, Regional Grouping and the State
 - PI414 Seminar: International Conflict and Resolutions
 - **Elective Courses in other Minors (6 Credits)**
- **Public Administration and Public Policy**
 - **Required Courses (9 Credits)**
 - PI340 Public Policy and Management in the Global Context
 - PI341 Policy Analysis and Evaluation: Concepts and Techniques
 - PI342 Organization and Human Resource Management: Theories and Practices
 - **Elective Courses**
select 2 courses (6 credits) of following courses:
 - PI343 Strategic Planning and Management
 - PI344 Environmental Management and Policy
 - PI345 Disaster and Emergency Management
 - PI346 Urban Planning and Development Policy
 - PI347 Fiscal and Budgeting
 - PI348 Comparative Public Administration
 - PI349 Information Technology Management in the Public Sector
 - PI443 Selected Topics in Public Policy
 - PI444 Selected Topics in Public Administration
 - **Elective Courses in other Minors (6 Credits)**
- **Global Political Economy**
 - **Required Courses (9 Credits)**
 - PI392 Comparative Political Economy
 - PI480 Seminar: Issues in Global Political Economy
 - PI490 Political Economy of Development
 - **Elective Courses**
select 2 courses (6 credits) of following courses:

- PI293 Introduction to Political Economy
- PI395 International Political Economy in Asia
- PI396 Game Theory for Political Scientists
- PI397 Public Choice in Global Affairs
- PI398 Politics of International Trade
- PI399 Politics of International Finance
- PI494 Selected Topics in International Political Economy
- PI495 Contemporary Debates in Global Political Economy
- PI496 Economic Diplomacy and Negotiation
- PI497 Politics of International Trade in Services
- PI498 Global Politics of Digital Economy
- **Elective Courses in other Minors (6 Credits)**

3. Free Elective Courses

6 Credits

Student must select at least 6 credits as Free Elective Courses from any courses provided by Thammasat University.

Year 1 Study Plan

Semester 1

- TU100 Civic Engagement
- TU101 Thailand, ASEAN and the World
- TU103 Life and Sustainability
- TU105 Communication Skills in English
- TU106 Creativity and Communication
- PI121 Introduction to Social Science

Semester 2

- TU102 Social Life Skills
- TU104 Critical Thinking, Reading and Writing
- PI122 Introduction to Humanities
- Select 1 Course from:
 - PI131 Sports and Politics
 - PI132 Data, Science and Technology Governance
- PI211 Introduction to Political Science
- PI271 Introduction to International Relations

TUxxx Courses may differ. It depends on student's exemption result and course arrangement each semester

Year 2 Study Plan

Semester 1

- PI210 Introduction to Political Philosophy
- PI241 Introduction to Public Administration and Public Policy
- **PI270** Diplomatic History
- PI282 Reading and Analysis in International Relations
- PI291 International Law
- EE210 Introductory Economics

Semester 2

- PI272 Foreign Policy Analysis
- **PI280** International Relations Theories and Current Affairs
- PI292 International Organizations and Regimes
- PI321 Thai Politics and Government
- PI370 Thai Foreign Affairs
- [Elective Courses in Concentration \(Approaches and Issues Groups\) 1](#)

Summer (*Optional)

- [Minor Elective Course 1](#)
- [Minor Elective Course in other minors 1](#)

Remark:

- “Colored and Underlined Courses” can be changed. It depends on student decision and planning each semester

Year 3 Study Plan

Semester 1

- PI300 Social Science Methodology
- PI390 Global Political Economy
- PI470 Seminar: International Relations Theories
- Minor Required Course 1
- Minor Required Course 2
- Elective Courses in Concentration (Area Studies Groups) 1

Semester 2

- PI320 Comparative Politics
- Minor Required Course 3
- Minor Elective Course 2
- Elective Courses in Concentration (Approaches and Issues Groups) 2
- Elective Courses in Concentration (Area Studies Groups) 2
- Free Elective Course 1

Summer (*Compulsory)

- PI574 Internship in Politics and International Relations (1 Credit)
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Year 4 Study Plan

Semester 1

- Elective Courses in Concentration (Approaches and Issues Groups) 3
- Elective Courses in Concentration (Area Studies Groups) 3
- Minor Elective Course in other minors 2
- Free Elective Course 2

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