

This roadmap is a recommended semester-by-semester plan of study for this major. However, courses and milestones designed as critical (!) must be completed in the semester listed to ensure a timely graduation.

Critical	Course Subject and Title	Credit Hours	Min. Grade	Major GPA	Attribute	Notes
<b>Semester One [14 Credits]</b>						
	POL 10004 Comparative Politics	3		■	DG/KSS	
	UC 10097 Destination Kent State: First Year Experience <sup>1</sup>	1				
	Foreign Language <sup>2</sup>	4 - 5				
	Kent Core Requirement	3				
	Kent Core Requirement	3				
<b>Semester Two [16 Credits]</b>						
	POL 10500 World Politics	3		■	DG/KSS	
	Foreign Language <sup>2</sup>	4 - 5				
	Kent Core Requirement	3				
	Kent Core Requirement	3				
	Kent Core Requirement	3				
<b>Semester Three [15 Credits]</b>						
	ECON 22060 Principles of Microeconomics	3		■	KSS	
	Foreign Language <sup>2</sup>	3 - 5				
	Kent Core Requirement	3				
	Kent Core Requirement	3				
	Kent Core Requirement	3				
<b>Semester Four [15 Credits]</b>						
	ECON 22061 Principles of Macroeconomics	3		■	KSS	
	Foreign Language <sup>2</sup>	3 - 5				
	College General Requirement <sup>3</sup>	3				
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	General Electives <sup>4</sup>	3				
<b>Semester Five [15 Credits]</b>						
	ECON 42075 International Economic Relations	3		■		
	Foreign Language Requirement <sup>5</sup>	3		■		
	Political Science Category I <sup>6</sup>	3		■		
	Political Science Category II <sup>7</sup>	3		■		
	General Electives <sup>4</sup>	3				
<b>Semester Six [15 Credits]</b>						
<b>Note: This semester is open to allow for a study abroad experience that can be taken in the junior or senior year.</b>						
	General Electives <sup>4</sup>	15				
<b>Semester Seven [15 Credits]</b>						
	Geography requirement <sup>8</sup>	3		■		
	History requirement <sup>9</sup>	3		■		
	Political Science Category I <sup>6</sup>	3		■		
	General Electives <sup>4</sup>	6				
<b>Semester Eight [15 Credits]</b>						
	History requirement <sup>9</sup>	3		■		
	Political Science Category II <sup>7</sup>	3		■		
	General Electives <sup>4</sup>	9				

**Graduation Requirements Summary**

Minimum Total Hours	Minimum Upper-Division Hours 30000 – 40000 level course	Minimum Kent Core Hours	Minimum	
			Major GPA	Overall GPA
120	42	36	2.000	2.000

1. UC 10097 is not required of transfer students with 25 credits (excluding College Credit Plus) or students age 21+ at time of admission.

2. The following foreign languages are approved for International Relations majors: Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Russian and Spanish. Students should contact the International Relations director for approval for other languages. Students with foreign language experience should consult with the Department of Modern and Classical Languages Studies for appropriate placement. To graduate in four years, students should begin foreign language study by semester four; starting later may require summer courses or delay graduation. These courses fulfill a College General Requirement.

3. • One additional course taken from the Kent Core Basic Science courses in the following Arts and Sciences disciplines: Anthropology (ANTH), Biological Sciences (BSCI), Chemistry (CHEM), Geography (GEOG), Geology (GEOL) or Physics (PHY). Students may take the courses listed in the "introductory" sequences with the restrictions noted above in the Kent Core Basic Science section. The course may not be from the student's major.
- One additional course taken from the Kent Core Social Sciences courses in the following Arts and Sciences disciplines: Anthropology (ANTH), Applied Conflict Management (CACM), Geography (GEOG), Criminology and Justice Studies (CRIM), Political Science (POL), Psychology (PSYC) or Sociology (SOC). The course may not be from the student's major.
4. Number of general elective credit hours required depends on meeting minimum 120 credit hours and minimum 42 upper-division hours.
5. One course beyond the Intermediate II level in French, German, Russian or Spanish. Students may appeal to their advisor for substitution of another language, when justified by special circumstances. Prior approval for courses used in this connection must be given in writing by student's advisor. This course should be taken as soon as Intermediate II is completed. Students should consult with the Director of the International Studies major within the College of Arts and Sciences regarding the foreign language proficiency requirement while enrolled in this course. Satisfactory performance in a language proficiency test covering speaking, listening, reading and writing is also required. This requirement also may be satisfied through completion of two additional approved courses in the same or a closely related language with minimum B- (2.700) grade.
6. Political Science Category I (6 credits)

Choose from the following:	
POL 30511 Problems of International Organization (3)	POL 30820 International Organization and Law (3)
POL 40840 Comparative Foreign Policy (3)	POL 40930 U.S. Foreign Policy (3)

7. Political Science Category II (6 credits)

Choose from the following:	
POL 30520 European Politics (3)	POL 30530 Asian Politics (3) <sup>[DG]</sup>
POL 30540 African Politics (3) <sup>[DG]</sup>	POL 30550 Latin American Politics (3) <sup>[DG]</sup>
POL 40540 Politics of Development (3) <sup>[DG]</sup>	

8. Geography (3 credits)

Choose from the following:	
GEOG 37040 Geography of Africa (3) <sup>[DG]</sup>	GEOG 37050 Geography of Russia and the Commonwealth of Independent States (3) <sup>[DG]</sup>
GEOG 37066 Geography of Europe (3) <sup>[DG]</sup>	GEOG 37079 Geography of South Asia (3)
GEOG 37084 Geography of South America (3) <sup>[DG]</sup>	GEOG 37085 Geography of Latin America and the Caribbean (3) <sup>[DG]</sup>

9. History (6 credits)

Choose from the following:	
HIST 31024 World War II (3)	HIST 31112 Chinese Civilization (3)
HIST 31125 Zionism and Israel (3)	HIST 31113 History of Japan (3)
HIST 31128 Late Medieval and Modern Jewish History (3)	HIST 31126 History of the Middle East (3)
HIST 31140 Modern Latin America (3) <sup>[DG]</sup>	HIST 31130 History of African Civilization (3)
HIST 41020 Nineteenth-Century Europe (3)	HIST 31141 Early Latin America (3)
HIST 41025 Modern European History: 1945-Present (3)	HIST 41024 Modern European History, 1914-1945 (3)
HIST 41044 Imperial Russia, 1689-1917 (3)	HIST 41041 History of Germany, 1871-Present (3)
HIST 41112 History of Modern China (3)	HIST 41045 Modern Russia, 1917-Present (3)
HIST 41132 History of Africa, 1880-Present (3)	HIST 42297 Colloquium: China and Japan (3) <sup>[WIC]</sup>

**Foreign Language Note:** Students pursuing a Bachelor of Arts degree in the College of Arts and Sciences must have the equivalent of Elementary I and II in any language and the International Relations major requires Intermediate I and II of the same language.

All students with prior foreign language experience should take the foreign language placement test to determine the appropriate level at which to start. Some students may begin their university foreign language experience beyond the Elementary I level and will complete the requirement with fewer credit hours and fewer courses. This may be accomplished by: (1) passing a course beyond Elementary I through Intermediate II level or (2) receiving credit through Credit by Exam (CBE), the College Level Examination Program (CLEP), the Advanced Placement (AP) exam or credit through the International Baccalaureate (IB) program; or (3) being designated a "native speaker" of a non-English language (consult with the College of Arts and Sciences Advising Office for additional information). When students complete the requirement with fewer than 14 credit hours and four courses, they will complete remaining hours with general electives.

**University Requirements:** Bachelor's degree-seeking students must meet Kent Core (general education requirements), diversity, writing-intensive and experiential learning requirements. For more information about these requirements, please read the following sections in the University Catalog: Kent Core – [www.kent.edu/catalog/kent-core](http://www.kent.edu/catalog/kent-core); Diversity Course Requirement – [www.kent.edu/catalog/diversity](http://www.kent.edu/catalog/diversity); Writing-Intensive Course Requirement – [www.kent.edu/catalog/wic](http://www.kent.edu/catalog/wic); Experiential Learning Requirement – [www.kent.edu/catalog/elr](http://www.kent.edu/catalog/elr).

**Attribute Legend:** DD Diversity–Domestic; DG Diversity–Global; ELR Experiential Learning; KAD Kent Core Additional; KBS Kent Core Basic Sciences; KCM Kent Core Composition; KFA Kent Core Fine Arts; KHU Kent Core Humanities; KMC Kent Core Mathematics and Critical Reasoning; KSS Kent Core Social Sciences; WIC Writing Intensive