The Political Science programme offers the minor International Relations to students who want to gain basic knowledge of, and insight in (the development of) international power relations.

The minor is particularly appropriate for students pursuing an eventual career in the international context. The domain of International Relations focuses on political, economic and social conflicts whose causes and consequences cross national borders. Solutions, therefore, cannot be sought solely within the scope of national politics.
International conflicts affect relationships between states, but also relationships between state actors and non-state actors, such as multinational corporations (MNCs) and non-governmental organisations (NGOs). The minor will address, among other things, issues on foreign policy, diplomacy, conflict and cooperation, and integration. In a broad sense, these international relationships, in turn, affect societies within particular countries. The minor aims to provide a foundation for understanding these phenomena.

The minor programme is spread over two semesters (1 year). Students can only start the minor in semester one, due to prerequisites for semester 2.

Courses:
- Introduction to International Relations (semester 1, block 2 and 3) 12 EC
- Core module International Relations (semester 2, block 4 and 5) 12 EC
- Elective 6 EC (see course catalogue)

This minor is set up as a dual language program, which means that Dutch language students can decide to take some of the tutorials in Dutch and are allowed to write in Dutch.

However, it is possible that if too few Dutch language students register for courses the Dutch language tutorials are cancelled and all teaching is in English.

Registration:
- Students from other Dutch universities can register as a guest student at the UvA via Studielink. After registration, students will be issued a student ID number.
- To enrol in this minor programme please fill out the application form on the minor page of the digital UvA Course Catalogue (http://coursecatalogue.uva.nl).
- Use your student ID number to register for the minor courses in SIS during the course registration period (June for courses in semester 1 or December for courses in semester 2)
- International exchange students are contacted by their programme coordinator regarding enrollment.

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