

**INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS MAJOR
ADVISING AND PRE-REGISTRATION INFORMATION
SPRING 2011**

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR INTA MAJORS:

- The INTA major is a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degree program. To earn the B.A. degree, you must complete a philosophy course. This may be any PHIL course or GPHIL 101 (if you are NOT using GPHIL 101 to fulfill your Cluster One or Cluster Two requirements).
 - Students who entered JMU *_before_* the 2008-2009 academic year are permitted to take GPHIL 120 to fulfill that BA degree requirement -- provided that they abide by the principle of not needing to count GPHIL 120 simultaneously toward completion of Cluster One in GenEd. Students who began their JMU careers in the FALL 2008 semester or later are not permitted to take GPHIL 120 to fulfill that BA degree requirement under any circumstances.
 - **You cannot use GPHIL 150 to complete this B.A. degree requirement under any circumstances.**
- MATH 220 is a prerequisite for INTA 295. INTA 295 is a prerequisite for INTA 489, the senior seminar. **None of these courses may be taken during the same semester.** That is, you should take MATH 220, then INTA 295, then INTA 489. Ideally, INTA 295 should be taken no later than the second semester of your junior year. You will NOT be permitted to take MATH 220 and INTA 295 at the same time, nor may you enroll in INTA 295 and INTA 489 in the same semester. There are **no exceptions** to this policy, so plan accordingly.
- All INTA majors, regardless of concentration, must complete course numbers 300 and 320 in their foreign language (i.e., SPAN 300 and SPAN 320, FR 300 and FR 320). Some languages offered at JMU may not use this course numbering—in this instance students must take two 300-level courses that focus on grammar, oral and written communication. The second 300-level course may not be a literature, cinema or civilization course. INTA majors with a comparative study track must have a language that is appropriate for their region of specialization. If you are uncertain about which 300-level courses satisfy this requirement, please check with your advisor.
- Internships may be counted for major credit with **prior approval** from Dr. Jon Keller, the INTA major coordinator. The nature of the internship will determine where the credits will count. Dr. Keller will make this determination. INTA majors may count no more than three credit hours of internship towards their major requirements. For qualifications, requirements and forms related to internship-for-credit see www.jmu.edu/polisci/internships.html.
- No overrides are permitted into multiple sections of INTA 295 until all sections are full. This protects students from overcrowding & distributes the workload fairly among professors. *In turn, enrollment in POSC 492 is by override only. If you are eligible to request a senior seminar, you will receive instructions in a separate e-mail message.*
- **HIST 330 (U.S. Diplomatic History) is typically offered in fall semesters ONLY during the regular academic year.** Students pursuing the International Relations concentration must take HIST 330 as part of their concentration. It is also an option for all other INTA majors. It is the student's responsibility to take this course (and all courses) when offered.
- **GEOG 375 (Political Geography)** should be available to INTA students in spring 2011 during pre-registration without the need for an override. All other GEOG courses are available to non-GEOG majors only after pre-registration is over.

- Area courses, international and cross-area courses and some international relations courses are often offered one semester only in each year. As you near completion of your program it is important to take needed courses when offered. You cannot depend on their being offered in subsequent semesters. It is your responsibility to check with your advisor or the department offering the course when registering for fall to see if a course is likely to be offered again in the spring.
- Students interested in writing an honors thesis must contact Dr. Keller as they begin the process. All students pursuing an honors thesis in the Political Science department must register for the honors colloquium (POSC 499A, B or C, depending on which phase of the thesis project you are in). Enrollment in these courses requires permission from the instructor. In addition to Honors Program requirements, we require junior standing and a **3.25 GPA in the major** to register. You must register for this course **before** the beginning of the semester. The colloquium is never offered as a block course.

MAJOR ADVISING:

Please contact your major advisor if you have specific questions regarding fall registration or future schedule planning. If you do not know who your major advisor is, you can find out in the POSC department office, Miller 2120.

Please note that it is difficult to understand fully your INTA major requirements by referring to the catalog only. You should have a major checksheet which lists approved courses and requirements. These sheets have been recently updated. The grey colored sheets are the most current. The orange sheets' requirements still apply if they were current for your catalog year. The grey sheets, however, include additional course options. The grey version of the major has not changed core or credit hour requirements for the major, but course offerings have been expanded and the concentration areas have been re-titled.

You may pick up a current checksheet from outside the department office (Miller 2120) or print one from the INTA major portion of the Dept. of Political Science website.

Students needing study abroad or other forms of transfer credit approval should contact the department chair, Dr. Charles Blake (His e-mail address is: blakecb@jmu.edu).

SPRING 2011 INTA MAJOR COURSE OFFERINGS in the POSC department:

See your course catalog for descriptions of these courses.

POSC 230	International Relations [2 sections]
POSC 240	Comparative Politics
INTA 295	Research Methods [4 sections]
POSC 331	Human Rights in Theory and Practice
POSC 344	Politics of the European Union
POSC 345	Politics of Western Europe
POSC 347	Comparative Public Policy
POSC 350	Latin American Politics
POSC 353	African Politics
POSC 355	East Asian Politics
POSC 370	U.S. Foreign Policy [2 sections]
POSC 372	Ethics and International Relations
POSC 397	The Politics of International Economic Relations
INTA 489	Senior Seminar in International Affairs [5 sections]

Other INTA major courses are (of course) offered in spring 2011 by other disciplines. Below is a preliminary listing of those courses plus the courses offered by the POSC department. Students should refer to e-CAMPUS to see if additional courses have been added to the spring schedule. If a course below says “[by Course Directive]” and you enroll in the course, please contact Dr. Blake (blakech@jmu.edu) to process a Course Directive form to adjust your Degree Progress report on eCAMPUS.

INTA CORE courses

POSC 230, 240, & 370 are offered every semester.

GECON 200, ECON 201, & ECON 270 are offered every semester.

In some languages, xxx 300 & xxx 320 are offered every semester; in others, the offerings vary.

Please check with the Dept. of Foreign Languages, Literatures, & Cultures for scheduling details.

As noted above in this pre-registration memo, HIST 330 is a fall-semester-only course.

INTA 295 & INTA 489 are offered every semester.

International Relations concentration

Cross-Area courses: SCOM 248, ECON 312, GEOG 280, POSC 347, SOCI 348

Area courses: GHUM 252-sections 1 & 2 (on Latin Amer. Culture) [by Course Directive], HIST 263, HIST 470, HIST 274, HIST 377, POSC 355, HIST 301, HIST 308, HIST 386, HIST 388, HIST 449 [by Course Directive], HIST 444, HIST 445, POSC 350, HIST 270

IR courses: ECON 372 [ECON minors & ECON majors only], GEOG 375, JUST 300, JUST/POSC 331, JUST/POSC 372, JUST 375 [by Course Directive], POSC 397, GHUM 252-section 3 (on Gandhi, Nonviolence & Global Transformation [**NOTE:** This replaces REL 314 in this concentration by Course Directive])

Comparative Study concentration

International & Cross-Area courses: GANTH 195, SCOM 248, ECON 312, ECON 372 [ECON minors & ECON majors only], GEOG 280, GEOG 344, GEOG 375, POSC 347, POSC 370, POSC 397

Africa courses: GAFST 200, ARTH 312, ARTH 419 (Topics in African Art: Orality & Creativity in Africa), ENG 432, SOCI 348, HIST 263, HIST 470, POSC 353

Asia courses: REL 310, GEOG 334, HIST 274, HIST 377, POSC 355

Europe courses: POSC 344, GARTH 206, FR 308, FR 446 (20th Century French Lit.), FR 466, GER 308, ITAL/HIST 308, ITAL 465, SPAN 307, HIST 301, HIST 308, HIST 386, HIST 388, HIST 449 [by Course Directive], HIST 487

Latin America courses: ENG 434 [by Course Directive], SPAN 308, SPAN 385, GHUM 252-sections 1 & 2 (on Latin American Culture) [by Course Directive], HIST 444, HIST 445, POSC 350

Middle East courses: ARAB 446 [by Course Directive], ARAB 447 [by Course Directive], REL 300 (Topic: Women in Islam), REL 320, SOCI 342, SOCI 348, HIST 270