

**BIRPS-BA**  
**Bachelor of International Relations and Political**  
**Science, Bachelor of Arts**  
**Study Planner**

		Bachelor of International Relations and Political Science		Bachelor of Arts	
First Year	Semester 1	<b>INTR1006</b> International Relations: An Introduction	<b>POLI1003</b> Understanding Democracy in Australia	<b>Major</b> First Year Topic	<b>ARTS1001</b> Truth and Knowledge in a Changing World
	Semester 2	<b>GOVT1001</b> Exploring Fundamentals of Public Policy	<b>GOVT1003</b> Ideas in Politics	<b>Major</b> First Year Topic	<b>COMS1001</b> Academic and Professional Communication
Second Year	Semester 1	<b>GOVT2005</b> America and the World	<b>GOVT1004</b> Foundations in Political Systems and Institutions	<b>Major</b> Second Year Topic	<b>Option Topic</b> One of: HIST1803 INDG1000 PHIL1060  <b>OR Elective</b>
	Semester 2	<b>GOVT2003</b> Understanding International Security and Order in the Twenty-First Century	<b>GOVT1005</b> Foundations in Political Economy	<b>Major</b> Second Year Topic	<b>Option Topic</b> One of: HIST1803 INDG1000 PHIL1060  <b>OR Elective</b>
Third Year	Semester 1	<b>POLI2011</b> Examining Australian Public Policy	<b>GOVT2001</b> Nationalism, Populism and Democracy	<b>Major</b> Third Year Topic	<b>ARTS2002</b> Education, Work, and Identity
	Semester 2	<b>POLI2026</b> Research Methods and Data Analysis	<b>INTR2005</b> Evaluating China's Re-emergence in the International System	<b>Major</b> Third Year Topic	Elective
Fourth Year	Semester 1	<b>GOVT3002</b> Cyber Security, A.I & the Future of Democracy	<b>INTR3001</b> Applying Foreign Policy in the Digital Age	<b>Major</b> Upper Level Topic	<b>ARTS3001</b> Professional and Academic Futures
	Semester 2	<b>GOVT3004</b> Capstone: Negotiating Emerging Political Challenges	<b>POLI3069</b> Inequality and the Australian Welfare State	<b>Major</b> Upper Level Topic	Elective

**Please note:**

- This document is provided as a guide only. Students are responsible for ensuring that they have completed their study according to the official Course rule:
  - [BIRPSBA – Bedford Park course rule](#)
- Topic information for all topics, including pre-requisites can be found on the [Topic Page](#)
- General enrolment assistance is available via [Ask Flinders](#)