

# SCHOOL OF POLITICS AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS QUAID-I-AZAM UNIVERSITY



## INTRODUCTION

The School of Politics and International Relations (SPIR) at Quaid-i-Azam University is Pakistan's premier institution of higher learning in International Relations and Political Science, offering quality education to students enrolled in its under-graduate and post-graduate programs. SPIR is also one of the oldest and largest institutions of advanced studies in IR and Political Science in the country. It was established in 1973 as Department of International Relations, which was upgraded to School in 2011. SPIR runs four-year under-graduate degree programs in IR and Political Science, as well as MPhil and PhD degree programs in IR. SPIR has a highly qualified faculty, with several faculty members having PhDs from leading foreign and national universities.

The curriculum at SPIR covers a gamut of compulsory and optional courses in IR and Political Science at both basic and advanced levels, including Theories of International Relations, Research Methodology, International Political Economy, Security and Strategic Studies, Comparative Politics, Foreign Policy Analysis, Diplomacy, International Organizations, International Law, Conflict Analysis and Conflict Resolution, Western and Islamic Political Thought, Politics of South Asia and Politics and Foreign Policy of India and Pakistan. These courses are designed to acquaint the students with the concepts, theories, methodologies as well as historical and current dynamics of politics and international relations.

Once a year, the School admits BS students in IR and Political Science, and PhD and twice a year MPhil, as per admission policy of the University. Under BS programs in IR and Political Science, which started in Fall 2015, 100 students are enrolled in each discipline out of thousands of applicants. This factor, while signifying the popularity of under-graduate programs, has contributed significantly to enhancing the academic profile of the School. SPIR also runs an evening program, offering Postgraduate Certificate,

Postgraduate Advanced Diploma and BS in IR to mid-career professionals, including civil servants, teachers, security officials and diplomats.

The permanent faculty at SPIR is highly proficient in its teaching and research productive. Its senior members have served on prestigious Pakistan Chairs at leading universities abroad, including Oxford Columbia, Cambridge and Heidelberg. The School also engages visiting faculty, including academics, researchers, and foreign academics under an HEC initiative. Each year, its faculty members publish valuable articles in referred journals, chapters in edited books and books published nationally and internationally. They also actively participate in national and international conferences, seminars and workshops, offering their expert input on crucial issues of Pakistan foreign policy, South Asian security and other subjects relevant to their respective spheres of specialization.

SPIR runs a Weekly Seminar Series and periodically organizes conferences and workshops on current issues in politics and IR, where prominent foreign and local scholars offer their scholarly perspectives. It also has a strong tradition of inviting scholars, diplomats and policy makers to share their knowledge and experience with faculty members and students. Student participation in these academic activities is highly encouraged. There is equal emphasis on the promotion of advanced research at MPhil and PhD levels and sharing policy-relevant research findings of faculty members and research scholars with relevant government and state institutions and independent think tanks.

## **OBJECTIVE**

SPIR strives for enhancing the research potential of its scholars and imparting quality education to its students. A corresponding goal of the School is to increase the research productivity of its faculty. The key objective is offer students and research scholars the opportunity to fully realize their academic potential and equip them with needed intellectual and professional skills and for dynamic careers in public and private sectors. As a result, scores of SPIR graduates have made their mark globally and locally in the world of academia, civil-service, diplomacy, media, law and politics.

With its current focus on inter-disciplinary studies, policy relevant research, knowledge sharing and international collaboration, SPIR aims to keep itself on top of the institutions of higher learning and research in the fields of IR and Political Science in Pakistan. In the last over four decades, the School has already gained due acknowledgement in the country as a center of excellence in IR and Political Science. In the long run, SPIR plans to diversify its student composition by offering admission to students from regional countries like China and the rest of the world. It eventually aims to become a hub in South Asia in the domain of International Studies.

## **COLLABORATIONS**

- Global Campus Program, Tokyo University of Foreign Studies, Japan
- Non-Proliferation Webinar Series, CRDF-Global Washington, USA
- Pakistan Council on China, Islamabad
- Centre for Research and Security Studies, Islamabad

## **PROGRAMS**

- BS (4 years)
  - International Relations

- Political Science
- MPhil International Relations
- PhD International Relations
- Evening Program
  - Postgraduate Certificate in International Relations
  - Postgraduate Advanced Diploma in International Relations
  - MPhil in International Relations

## COURSE WORK

### BS in International Relations

<b>Compulsory Requirements Common for Political Science Major and IR Major</b>			
<b>10 courses – 30 Credit hours</b>			
Sr. No	Code	Title of Course	Credits
1.	SPIR – 001	English I – Grammar and Composition	3 Credits
2.	SPIR – 002	English II – Comprehension, Reading, and Prose	3 Credits
3.	SPIR – 003	English III – Novel, Poetry, and Drama	3 Credits
4.	SPIR – 004	English IV – Communication and Writing Skills	3 Credits
5.	SPIR – 005	Pakistan Studies	3 Credits
6.	SPIR – 006	Islamic Studies	3 Credits
7.	SPIR – 007	Ethics*	3 Credits
8.	SPIR – 008	Basic Mathematics	3 Credits
9.	SPIR – 009	Introduction to Statistics	3 Credits
10.	SPIR – 010	Political History of the World	3 Credits
11.	SPIR – 011	Computer Skills for Social Sciences	3 Credits

\*SPIR-007 Ethics can be opted by Non-Muslim Students in the place of SPIR-006 Islamic Studies

<b>Interdisciplinary General Courses To be chosen from allied disciplines/departments Common for Political Science Major and IR Major</b>			
<b>7 Courses – 21 Credit hours</b>			
<b>Students can opt for any 7 courses offered by the School depending upon the expertise and availability of the faculty</b>			
Sr. No	Code	Title of Course	Credits

1.	SPIR – 101	Introduction to History	3 Credits
2.	SPIR – 102	Introduction to Philosophy	3 Credits
3.	SPIR – 103	Political Ideologies: Structures and Functions	3 Credits
4.	SPIR – 104	Introduction to Law	3 Credits
5.	SPIR – 105	Introduction to Geography	3 Credits
6.	SPIR – 106	Introduction to Economics	3 Credits
7.	SPIR – 107	Introduction to Sociology	3 Credits
8.	SPIR – 108	Introduction to Education	3 Credits
9.	SPIR – 109	Introduction to Social Work	3 Credits
10.	SPIR – 110	Introduction to Psychology	3 Credits
11.	SPIR – 111	Introduction to Public Administration	3 Credits
12.	SPIR – 112	Introduction to Economy of Pakistan	3 Credits
13.	SPIR – 113	Introduction to Anthropology	3 Credits
14.	SPIR – 114	Introduction to Mass Communication	3 Credits
15.	SPIR – 115	Political History of Pakistan: 1947 to present	3 Credits
16.	SPIR – 116	Constitutional Development in Pakistan	3 Credits
17.	SPIR – 117	Introduction to Gender Studies	3 Credits
18.	SPIR – 118	Comparative Religions	3 Credits
19.	SPIR – 119	Logic and Reasoning	3 Credits
20.	SPIR – 120	Introduction to Everyday Science	3 Credits
21.	SPIR – 121	Introduction to Development Studies	3 Credits
22.	SPIR – 122	Introduction to Environmental Studies	3 Credits
23.	SPIR – 123	Introduction to Public Policy	3 Credits
24.	SPIR – 124	Introduction to Theory and Method	3 Credits
25.	SPIR – 125	Cross Cultural Communication	3 Credits
26.	SPIR – 126	Foreign Language ( Arabic, Persian, French, Chinese, German, Japanese, Spanish, Russian or any other language deemed important by the SPIR)	3 Credits

<b>Discipline Specific Foundation Courses</b>			
<b>International Relations</b>			
<b>13 courses – 39 Credit hours (All Courses are Compulsory)</b>			
<b>Sr. No</b>	<b>CODE</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>Credits</b>
1.	SPIR – 201	Introduction to International Relations	3 Credits
2.	SPIR – 202	Introduction to Political Science	3 Credits
3.	SPIR – 203	Research Methodology	3 Credits
4.	SPIR – 204	Politics of International Economic Relations	3 Credits
5.	SPIR – 205	Government and Politics of Pakistan	3 Credits
6.	SPIR – 206	Foreign Policy of Pakistan	3 Credits
7.	SPIR – 207	Dimensions of Modern Strategy	3 Credits
8.	IR – 301	Approaches and Theories of International Relations	3 Credits
9.	IR – 302	International Relations since 1945	3 Credits
10.	IR – 303	Foreign Policy Analysis	3 Credits
11.	IR – 304	Geopolitical Structure of the World	3 Credits
12.	IR – 305	Introduction to International Law	3 Credits
13.	IR – 306	Introduction to Regional and International Organisations	3 Credits

### GROUP A: INTERNATIONAL POLITICS

Sr. No	CODE	TITLE	Credits
1.	IR – 311	Democracy and Authoritarianism	3 Credits
2.	IR – 312	Religion in International Politics	3 Credits
3.	IR – 313	Politics of Disputed Borders	3 Credits
4.	IR – 314	Politics of Developing Countries	3 Credits
5.	IR – 315	Diplomacy	3 Credits
6.	IR – 316	Contemporary Muslim World	3 Credits
7.	IR – 317	Foreign Policies of Major Powers (USA, Russia and China)	3 Credits
8.	IR – 318	Theories of Comparative Politics	3 Credits
9.	IR – 319	Human Rights in International Relations	3 Credits
10.	IR – 320	International Politics of Environment	3 Credits
11.	IR – 321	Gender and Development in International Relations	3 Credits
12.	IR – 322	Diplomatic History of Europe	3 Credits
13.	IR – 323	International Politics of Ethnicity and Minorities	3 Credits
14.	IR – 324	Theories of Ethnicity and Nationalism	3 Credits
15.	IR – 325	International Politics of Rising Powers	3 Credits
16.	IR – 326	International Politics of Energy and Natural Resources	3 Credits
17.	IR – 327	Role of Intelligence Agencies in International Politics	3 Credits
18.	IR – 328	State and its Institutions in Pakistan	3 Credits
19.	IR – 329	Civilizational coexistence	3 Credits
20.	IR – 330	Sovereignty in the 21 <sup>st</sup> Century	3 Credits
21.	IR – 331	International Politics of Aid and Trade	3 Credits
22.	IR – 332	Civil Society and Political Change	3 Credits
23.	IR – 333	Introduction to Peace and Conflict Studies	3 Credits
24.	IR – 334	Peace Education	3 Credits
25.	IR – 335	Sources and Dynamics of Political Change	3 Credits
26.	IR – 336	Mafias, Narcotics and Human Trafficking	3 Credits
27.	IR – 337	Theory and Practice of Civil Resistance	3 Credits
28.	IR – 338	Media and Social Networks in International Politics	3 Credits
29.	IR – 339	Migration and Immigration in International Relations	3 Credits
30.	IR – 340	Media and Policy Making	3 Credits
31.	IR – 341	Concept and Dimensions of Power	3 Credits
32.	IR – 342	Contemporary International Issues	3 Credits
33.	IR – 343	Critical Debates in International Relations	3 Credits
34.	IR – 344	Seminar on Current Issues in International Politics	3 Credits
35.	IR – 345	Seminar on Nuclear Politics	3 Credits
36.	IR – 346	Seminar on Selected Contemporary Issues in South Asia	3 Credits

### GROUP B: AREA STUDY

<b>Sr. NO</b>	<b>CODE</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>Credits</b>
1.	IR – 347	Politics of Pakistan	3 Credits
2.	IR – 348	Politics of India	3 Credits
3.	IR – 349	Foreign Policy of India	3 Credits
4.	IR – 350	Politics and Foreign Policy of Afghanistan	3 Credits
5.	IR – 351	Politics and Foreign Policy of Iran and Saudi Arabia	3 Credits
6.	IR – 352	Politics and Foreign Policy of Turkey	3 Credits
7.	IR – 353	Politics and Foreign Policy of Russia	3 Credits
8.	IR – 354	Politics and Foreign Policy of Israel	3 Credits
9.	IR – 355	International Politics of South Asia	3 Credits
10.	IR – 356	International Politics of the Middle East	3 Credits
11.	IR – 357	International Politics of the Gulf Region	3 Credits
12.	IR – 358	International Politics of the Asia-Pacific Region	3 Credits
13.	IR – 359	International Politics of Africa	3 Credits
14.	IR – 360	International Politics of Maghreb (North West Africa) and North Africa	3 Credits
15.	IR – 361	International Politics of Sub-Saharan Africa	3 Credits
16.	IR – 362	International Politics of Europe	3 Credits
17.	IR – 363	International Politics of South America	3 Credits
18.	IR – 364	International Politics of North America	3 Credits
19.	IR – 365	Foreign Policy of Central Asian Republics	3 Credits
20.	IR – 366	Politics of Central Asian Republics	3 Credits
21.	IR – 367	International Politics of South East Asia	3 Credits
22.	IR – 368	International Politics of East Asia	3 Credits
23.	IR – 369	International Politics of Balkans and South East Europe	3 Credits
24.	IR – 370	Seminar on Issues Relating to Area Study	3 Credits
25.	IR – 371	Seminar on Military Alliances: NATO, WARSAW Pact	3 Credits
26.	IR – 372	Seminar on Regional Politico-Economic Organisations	3 Credits

### **GROUP C: INTERNATIONAL LAW AND ORGANISATIONS**

<b>Sr. No</b>	<b>CODE</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>Credits</b>
1.	IR – 373	History of International Law	3 Credits
2.	IR – 374	The Law of Treaties	3 Credits
3.	IR – 375	International Law of the Sea and Issues of Maritime Piracy	3 Credits
4.	IR – 376	Air and Space Law	3 Credits
5.	IR – 377	Armed Conflict and the Use of Force in International Law	3 Credits
6.	IR – 378	UN Specialized Agencies	3 Credits
7.	IR – 379	International Humanitarian Law	3 Credits
8.	IR – 380	Regional Organizations	3 Credits
9.	IR – 381	Refugee Law	3 Credits
10.	IR – 382	Human Rights Law	3 Credits
11.	IR – 383	Environmental Law	3 Credits

12.	IR – 384	Non-Governmental Organization in International Law	3 Credits
13.	IR – 385	Global Civil Society	3 Credits
14.	IR – 386	Conflict and Conflict Resolution	3 Credits
15.	IR – 387	Seminar on Issues Relating to International Law/Organizations	3 Credits

#### GROUP D: STRATEGIC STUDIES

Sr. No	CODE	TITLE	Credits
1.	IR – 388	Strategic Thought	3 Credits
2.	IR – 389	Technology, Warfare and Weapon Systems	3 Credits
3.	IR – 390	Defense Policies of India and Pakistan	3 Credits
4.	IR – 391	Disarmament, Arms control and Nuclear Non-Proliferation	3 Credits
5.	IR – 392	Economics of Defence	3 Credits
6.	IR – 393	Theories of War	3 Credits
7.	IR – 394	Social Conflict Analysis	3 Credits
8.	IR – 395	Revolutionary Warfare	3 Credits
9.	IR – 396	International Politics of Terrorism	3 Credits
10.	IR – 397	Terrorism and Counter-Terrorism	3 Credits
11.	IR – 398	Causes, Justifications, and Preventions of War	3 Credits
12.	IR – 399	Chemical, Biological, Nuclear and Radiological Terrorism	3 Credits
13.	IR – 400	Cyber Crime and Warfare	3 Credits
14.	IR – 401	Seminar on Issues Relating to Strategic Issues	3 Credits
15.	IR – 402	Seminar on Nuclear Politics	3 Credits
16.	IR – 403	Seminar on Security	3 Credits

#### GROUP E: GRADUATE ESSAY/INTERNSHIP/RESEARCH PROJECT

Sr. No	CODE	TITLE	Credits
1.	IR – 404	Graduate Essay (Subject to approval of SPIR Research Committee)	6 Credits
2.	IR – 405	Internship (Subject to approval of SPIR Research Committee)	3 Credits

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5.	SPIR - 205	Government and Politics of Pakistan	3 Credits
6.	SPIR - 206	Foreign Policy of Pakistan	3 Credits
7.	SPIR - 207	Dimensions of Modern Strategy	3 Credits
8.	POL - 301	Introduction to Political Theory	3 Credits
9.	POL - 302	Muslim Political Thought	3 Credits
10.	POL - 303	Western Political Thought	3 Credits
11.	POL - 304	Comparative Politics	3 Credits
12.	POL - 305	Political Systems	3 Credits
13.	POL - 306	Introduction to Public Policy	3 Credits

#### **GROUP A: PAKISTAN STUDIES**

<b>Sr. No</b>	<b>CODE</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>Credits</b>
1.	POL - 311	Federalism and Inter-Provincial Harmony	3 Credits
2.	POL - 312	Muslim Nationalism and Pakistan Movement	3 Credits

3.	POL – 313	Political and Constitutional Development in Pakistan (1947 to Present)	3 Credits
4.	POL – 314	Local Government in Pakistan	3 Credits
5.	POL – 315	Critical Issues in Pakistan's Foreign Policy	3 Credits
6.	POL – 316	Political Parties and Pressure Groups in Pakistan	3 Credits
7.	POL – 317	Public Administration in Pakistan	3 Credits
8.	POL – 318	Political Economy of Pakistan	3 Credits
9.	POL – 319	Pakistan: Issues of Energy and Natural Resources	3 Credits
10.	POL – 320	Development in Pakistan: Challenges and Opportunities	3 Credits
11.	POL – 321	Socio-Political Dimensions of Sectarianism in Pakistan	3 Credits
12.	POL – 322	Military and Politics in Pakistan	3 Credits
13.	POL – 323	Democracy and Authoritarianism	3 Credits
14.	POL – 324	Extremism and Militancy in Pakistan	3 Credits
15.	POL – 325	Religion and Politics in Pakistan	3 Credits
16.	POL – 326	Interfaith Harmony in Pakistan	3 Credits
17.	POL – 327	Seminar: Pakistan Internal Affairs	3 Credits
18.	POL – 328	Seminar: Pakistan External Affairs	3 Credits

### **GROUP B: COMPARATIVE POLITICS**

<b>Sr. No</b>	<b>CODE</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>Credits</b>
1.	POL – 329	Political Sociology	3 Credits
2.	POL – 330	Issues of Global Development: The Role of States and Markets	3 Credits
3.	POL – 331	The Law of Uneven Development: States and Markets	3 Credits
4.	POL – 332	Political Modernisation and Social Change in Developing Societies	3 Credits
5.	POL – 333	Media and Politics	3 Credits
6.	POL – 334	Understanding Conflict and Violence	3 Credits

7.	POL – 335	Comparative Political System of Developed Nations	3 Credits
8.	POL – 336	Comparative Political System of Developing Nations	3 Credits
9.	POL – 337	Islam and The West	3 Credits
10.	POL – 338	Human Rights	3 Credits
11.	POL – 339	Gender and Politics	3 Credits
12.	POL – 340	Legislative and Political Development in Pakistan	3 Credits
13.	POL – 341	Development and Underdevelopment in Pakistan	3 Credits
14.	POL – 342	Pakistan: Issues of Poverty and Illiteracy	3 Credits
15.	POL – 343	Seminar: Comparative Political System of South Asia	3 Credits
16.	POL – 344	Seminar: Comparative Political System of the Muslim World	3 Credits
17.	POL – 345	Seminar: Comparative Political System of the West	3 Credits

### **GROUP C: INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS**

<b>Sr. No</b>	<b>CODE</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>Credits</b>
1.	POL – 346	Approaches and Theories of International Relations	3 Credits
2.	POL – 347	Foreign Policy Analysis	3 Credits
3.	POL – 348	International Relations Since 1945	3 Credits
4.	POL – 349	Politics of Environment	3 Credits
5.	POL – 350	International Law & Organizations	3 Credits
6.	POL – 351	Nuclear Studies: Nuclear Proliferation & Non-Proliferation	3 Credits
7.	POL – 352	Global Security	3 Credits
8.	POL – 353	Contemporary Muslim World	3 Credits
9.	POL – 354	Political System of Major Powers	3 Credits
10.	POL – 355	Regional Integration	3 Credits
11.	POL – 356	Politics of International Terrorism	3 Credits

12.	POL – 357	Seminar on Selected Contemporary Issues in International Politics	3 Credits
13.	POL – 358	Seminar on Selected Contemporary Issues in South Asia	3 Credits
14.	POL – 359	Seminar on Nuclear Politics	3 Credits

#### **GROUP D: AREA STUDIES**

<b>Sr. No</b>	<b>CODE</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>Credits</b>
1.	POL – 360	Politics of Central Asia	3 Credits
2.	POL – 361	Politics of South East Asia	3 Credits
3.	POL – 362	Politics of South Asia	3 Credits
4.	POL – 363	Politics of North America	3 Credits
5.	POL – 364	Politics of Latin America	3 Credits
6.	POL – 365	International Politics of Middle East	3 Credits
7.	POL – 366	International Politics of Gulf Region	3 Credits
8.	POL – 367	Politics of Europe	3 Credits
9.	POL – 368	Politics of Maghreb (North Africa, North West Africa)	3 Credits
10.	POL – 369	Politics of India	3 Credits
11.	POL – 370	Politics of U.S.A	3 Credits
12.	POL – 371	Politics of Iran and Saudi Arabia	3 Credits
13.	POL – 372	Politics of Turkey	3 Credits
14.	POL – 373	Politics of Russia	3 Credits
15.	POL – 374	Politics of China	3 Credits
16.	POL – 375	Seminar on Military Alliances: NATO, WARSAW, Pact, etc.	3 Credits
17.	POL – 376	Seminar on Regional Politico-Economic Organisations	3 Credits

#### **GROUP E: POLITICAL STUDIES**

<b>Sr. No</b>	<b>CODE</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>Credits</b>
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1.	POL – 377	Democratic Development	3 Credits
2.	POL – 378	Leadership and Management	3 Credits
3.	POL – 379	Electoral Politics, Public Opinion and Democracy	3 Credits
4.	POL – 380	Terrorism and Counter-Terrorism	3 Credits
5.	POL – 381	Civilisational Coexistence	3 Credits
6.	POL – 382	Sovereignty in the 21 <sup>st</sup> Century	3 Credits
7.	POL – 383	Politics of Disputed Borders	3 Credits
8.	POL – 384	Politics of Aid and Trade	3 Credits
9.	POL – 385	Theories of Ethnicity and Nationalism	3 Credits
10.	POL – 386	Civil Society and Political Change	3 Credits
11.	POL – 387	Peace Education	3 Credits
12.	POL – 388	Sources and Dynamics of Political Change	3 Credits
13.	POL – 389	Mafias, Narcotics and Human Trafficking	3 Credits
14.	POL – 390	Theory and Practice of Civil Resistance	3 Credits
15.	POL – 391	Media and Social Networks in Politics	3 Credits
16.	POL – 392	Issues in Domestic Politics	3 Credits
17.	POL – 393	Contemporary National Issues	3 Credits
18.	POL – 394	Migration and Immigration in International Politics	3 Credits
19.	POL – 395	Conflict Resolution	3 Credits
20.	POL – 396	Media and Policy Making	3 Credits
21.	POL – 397	Politics of Language and Identity	3 Credits
22.	POL – 398	Global Civil Society	3 Credits
23.	POL – 399	Seminar on Political Studies	3 Credits

**GROUP F: GRADUATE ESSAY/INTERNSHIP**

Sr. No	CODE	TITLE	Credits
1.	POL – 400	Graduate Essay (Subject to approval of SPIR Research Committee)	6 Credits
2.	POL – 401	Internship (Subject to approval of SPIR Research Committee)	3 Credits

## MPHIL AND PHD IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

### MPHil

#### Compulsory Courses

Course Code	Title of Course	Credit Hours
IR – 601	Theories of International Relations	3 Credits
IR – 602	Research Methodology	3 Credits

#### Optional Courses

Course Code	Title of Course	Credit Hours
IR – 603	Foreign Policy Analysis	3 Credits
IR – 604	A Comparative study of Foreign Policies	3 Credits
IR – 605	Diplomacy	3 Credits
IR – 606	International Organization	3 Credits
IR – 607	Seminar on Selected Contemporary Issues of Int'l Politics	3 Credits
IR – 608	Pakistan and the Islamic World	3 Credits
IR – 609	India-Pakistan Relations	3 Credits
IR – 610	Politics of South Asia	3 Credits
IR – 611	Seminar on Kashmir Dispute	3 Credits
IR – 612	Politics of Middle East	3 Credits
IR – 613	Islamic Revivalism	3 Credits
IR – 614	Politics of the Gulf Region	3 Credits
IR – 615	Arms Control and International Security	3 Credits
IR – 616	War and the Contemporary International System	3 Credits

IR – 617	Comparative Defense Policies: India and Pakistan	3 Credits
IR – 618	Use of Force in international Relations	3 Credits
IR – 619	Strategic Thought (Selective Thinkers)	3 Credits
IR – 620	Law of the Sea	3 Credits
IR – 621	Law of Treaties	3 Credits
IR – 622	Human Rights in International Relations	3 Credits
IR – 623	Political Economy of the Third World	3 Credits
IR – 624	New International Economic Order	3 Credits
IR – 625	Regional Economic Integration	3 Credits
IR – 626	Politics of India Ocean	3 Credits
IR – 627	Contemporary Conflict Resolution	3 Credits
IR – 628	Media and International Relations	3 Credits
IR – 629	Politics and Foreign Policy of the United States of America	3 Credits
IR – 630	Contemporary Debates in International Relations	3 Credits
IR – 631	Seminar on Nuclear Politics	3 Credits

### **MPhil Dissertation/Thesis**

IR – 699	MPhil Dissertation/Thesis	26 Credits
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## **PHD INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS**

### **Compulsory Courses**

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Title of Course</b>	<b>Credit Hours</b>
IR – 701	Theories of International Relations	3 Credits
IR – 702	Research Methodology	3 Credits

### **Optional Courses**

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Title of Course</b>	<b>Credit Hours</b>
IR – 703	Theories of Comparative Politics	3 Credits
IR – 704	Seminar on Selected Contemporary Issues in International Politics	3 Credits
IR – 705	International Politics of South Asia	3 Credits
IR – 706	International Politics of Middle East	3 Credits
IR – 707	International Politics of South East Asia	3 Credits
IR – 708	International Politics of Central Asia	3 Credits
IR – 709	International Politics of Latin America	3 Credits
IR – 710	International Politics of Africa	3 Credits
IR – 711	Contemporary Muslim World	3 Credits
IR – 712	Comparative Study of Foreign Policies of Major Powers	3 Credits
IR – 713	Politics and Foreign Policy of USA	3 Credits
IR – 714	Politics and Foreign Policy of China	3 Credits
IR – 715	Politics and Foreign Policy of Russia	3 Credits
IR – 716	International Law and Organization	3 Credits
IR – 717	Regionalism: Theory and Practice	3 Credits

IR – 718	International Political Economy	3 Credits
IR – 719	Strategic Studies	3 Credits
IR – 720	Nuclear Studies	3 Credits
IR – 721	Contemporary Conflict Resolution	3 Credits
IR – 722	Media and International Relations	3 Credits
IR – 723	Contemporary Critical Debates in International Relations	3 Credits
IR – 724	Seminar on Nuclear Politics	3 Credits

<b>Ph. D Thesis</b>		
IR – 799	Ph. D Thesis	

## FACILITIES AT SPIR

SPIR has modern facilities for teaching and research. Most of the class rooms are equipped with multi-media. The School also has an auditorium, with Multimedia Projector, Sound System, and seating capacity for 100 delegates. The auditorium, built with the generous support of Strategic Plans Division, is used to hold seminars, conferences, workshops and special lectures.

In addition to QAU Central Library, SPIR has its own Seminar Library, which contains books and journals related to Political Science and International Relations. A Computer Lab is also housed in this library, and students have internet access to online academic resources provided by the HEC.

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