

Law, Social Sciences and Diplomacy School
International Relations and Diplomacy Master's Degree Program

Study Plan

#	Subject Code	Program components	Prerequisite	Possible Semester	ECTS Credits	Number of hours		
						Contact	Independent	Total
	Study component							
	Compulsory study courses - 58 credits							
1	LEC 0010	English Language (C1-I)	B2	I	5	48	77	125
2	LEC 0011	English Language (C1-II)	(C1-I)	II	5	48	77	125
3	IRD 0001	Research Methods in Political Sciences	n/a	I-IV	4	32	68	100
4	IRD 0002	Modern Theories of International Relations	n/a	I-IV	6	48	102	150
5	IRD 0004	International Economics	n/a	I-IV	5	48	77	125
6	IRD 0005	Decision Making Process in International Organizations	n/a	I-IV	4	32	68	100
7	IRD 0013	Techniques of Conducting Negotiations	n/a	I-IV	5	48	77	125
8	IRD0055	Contemporary Security Agenda	n/a	I-IV	4	32	68	100
9	IRD 0067	Georgia's foreign policy	n/a	I-IV	5	48	77	125
10	IRD 0068	World politics after the Cold War	n/a	I-IV	5	48	77	125
11	IRD 0069	International Energy Policy and Energy Security	n/a	I-IV	4	32	68	100
12	LEC 0003	Academic Writing	n/a	I-I I I	6	48	102	150
	Elective concentration of the second foreign language (it is possible to choose one foreign language and accumulate 8 credits)							
1	LEC 0012	German Language -1	B2		4	49	51	100
2	LEC 0013	German Language - 2	LEC 0012	II	4	49	51	100

3	LEC 0014	Russian Language - 1	B2	I	4	49	51	100
4	LEC 0015	Russian Language - 2	LEC 0014	II	4	49	51	100
5	LEC 0016	French Language - 1	B2	I	4	49	51	100
6	LEC 0017	French Language - 2	LEC 0016	II	4	49	51	100
Elective concentrations (it is mandatory to accumulate 15 credits, preferably all 15 from one concentration)								
General Elective Concentration - 58 credits								
1	IRD 0003	History of International Relations	n/a	I-IV	4	32	68	100
2	IRD 0008	Analysis and Management of Conflicts	n/a	I-IV	3	32	43	75
3	IRD 0010	International law	n/a	I-IV	4	32	68	100
4	IRD 0011	International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights	n/a	I-IV	4	32	68	100
5	IRD 0012	Georgia in the context of global security	n/a	I-IV	3	32	43	75
6	IRD 0015	Theory and Practice of Social Movements (in English)	n/a	III-IV	3	32	43	75
7	IRD 0016	Religion and Politics	n/a	I-IV	3	32	43	75
8	IRD 0061	Public Politics and Governance	n/a	I-IV	5	48	77	125
9	IRD 0059	Geostrategy of Georgia	n/a	I-IV	4	32	68	100
10	IRD 0060	State Crises Management	n/a	I-IV	4	32	68	100
11	IRD 0049	Social Psychology of Conflicts	n/a	I-IV	5	48	77	125
12	IRD 0070	Environmental policy	n/a	I-IV	5	48	77	125
13	IRD 0058	International Political Economy	n/a	I-IV	4	32	68	100
14	IRD 0065	The Ruling Class: Power, Ideology, Privileges	n/a	I-IV	6	48	102	150
15	IRD 0071	Project Management	n/a	I-IV	4	32	68	100
Concentration - Russia and the Post-Soviet Space - 37 credits								
1	IRD 0017	Regional Studies: Post-Soviet Transformation in the South Caucasus	n/a	I-IV	3	32	43	75
2	IRD 0021	Central Asia - regional balance	n/a	I-IV	3	32	43	75
3	IRD 0084	Russian political system	n/a	I-IV	3	32	43	75
4	IRD 0045	Narratives and Cultural Memories in Post-communist Societies	n/a	I-IV	4	32	68	100

5	IRD 0047	Conflicts in Georgia and Geopolitical Context	n/a	I-IV	5	48	77	125
6	IRD 0053	The Role of Russia in World Politics	n/a	I-IV	4	32	68	100
7	IRD 0072	Historical role and modern challenges of Caspian oil and gas resources	n/a	I-IV	5	48	77	125
8	IRD 0073	Security problems in the Post-Soviet space	n/a	I-IV	5	48	77	125
9	IRD 0074	Integration processes in the Post-Soviet space	n/a	I-IV	5	48	77	125
	Concentration - Europe - 28 credits							
1	IRD 0009	EU Foreign Policy	n/a	I-IV	6	48	102	150
2	IRD 0089	International and European integration theories	n/a	I-IV	5	48	77	125
3	IRD 0022	Socio-political transformation of Central and Eastern Europe	n/a	I-IV	3	32	43	75
4	IRD 0023	Migration policy in Europe	n/a	I-IV	3	32	43	75
5	IRD 0087	Economic aspects of European integration	n/a	I-IV	3	32	43	75
6	IRD 0027	Political life in Europe after WWII (in English)	n/a	III-IV	3	32	43	75
7	IRD 0088	EU Association Agreement and its Impact on Georgian Politics	n/a	I-IV	5	48	77	125
	Concentration - Middle East and Arab World - 25 credits							
1	IRD 0076	Middle East in International Relations	n/a	I-IV	5	48	77	125
2	IRD 0077	Ideology and Political Practice in the Modern Middle East - Presenting the Region	n/a	I-IV	5	48	77	125
3	IRD 0032	Islam in the Middle East	n/a	I-IV	5	48	77	125
4	IRD 0078	Middle East Security Agenda	n/a	I-IV	5	48	77	125
5	IRD 0079	Hasbara and Non-Recognition Policy (Note)	n/a	I-IV	5	48	77	125
	Concentration - USA - 17 credits							
1	IRD 0035	The USA Economic System and	n/a	III-IV	3	32	43	75

		Global Challenges (in English)						
2	IRD 0036	Politics and Media in the US	n/a	I-IV	3	32	43	75
3	IRD 0038	US political system	n/a	I-IV	3	32	43	75
4	IRD 0007	US in International Relations	n/a	I-IV	3	32	43	75
5	IRD 0063	History of American Political Thought	n/a	I-IV	5	48	102	125
	Research Component (25 credits)							
1	LEC 0009	Competition and Defense of Master's Thesis	Academic Writing	IV	25	-	-	625
	Practical component (10 credits)							
1	-	Practice	-	III	10	182	68	250
	Free Component (15 credits)							
1	-	Free Credit	-	-	15	-	-	-

Note: The inclusion of the course in the program is related to the cooperation of the school with the Jewish side, in particular, a scientific center for Jewish studies was established at the university with the funding and support of the Jewish side, the Holocaust Auditorium named after Theodor Hertz was opened. In the conditions of cooperation and the existing agreement, insofar as our country implements the policy of non-recognition, it was considered interesting to teach the Jewish experience to students, and the course "Hasbara and the policy of non-recognition" was introduced. The course will be taught by Jewish theorists and practitioners. The development of the course is practically completed, the technical details are being agreed. The implementation of the course will start in the next academic semester.

Map of learning outcomes

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		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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IRD 0013	Techniques of Conducting Negotiations		☒	☒		☒	☒			☒	☒
IRD0055	Contemporary Security Agenda	☒		☒	☒	☒	☒			☒	
IRD 0067	Georgia's foreign policy	☒	☒	☒	☒	☒	☒		☒	☒	☒
IRD 0068	World politics after the Cold War	☒	☒	☒	☒	☒	☒			☒	☒
IRD 0069	International Energy Policy and Energy Security	☒	☒	☒		☒	☒		☒	☒	
LEC 0003	Academic Writing						☒	☒	☒		
LEC 0012	German Language - 1	☒					☒			☒	
LEC 0013	German Language - 2	☒					☒			☒	
LEC 0014	Russian Language - 1	☒					☒			☒	
LEC 0015	Russian Language - 2	☒					☒			☒	
LEC 0016	French Language - 1	☒					☒			☒	
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IRD 0010	International law	☒	☒	☒	☒	☒	☒			☒	☒
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IRD 0065	The Rulling Class: Power, Ideology, Privileges	☒		☒	☒	☒	☒			☒	
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IRD 0074	Integration processes in the Post-Soviet space	☒	☒	☒	☒	☒	☒			☒	☒
IRD 0009	EU Foreign Policy	☒	☒	☒	☒	☒	☒			☒	☒
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LEC 0009	Competition and Defense of Master's Thesis	☒	☒	☒	☒	☒	☒	☒	☒	☒	
	Practice	☒	☒	☒	☒	☒	☒		☒	☒	☒

The Map of Aims and Results

Aim of the Program	Study results
To equip a student with deep and systematic knowledge in the peculiarities of conducting international relations;	- Possesses deep and systematic knowledge of the theories of international relations, the main tendencies of modern security agenda, and of international energy policy and energy security among others; - Implements the relevant theoretical concepts and practical knowledge accumulated within the framework of the study program, professionally analyzes and evaluates the topical events, specific problems or challenges of modern international relations and world politics; elaborates the innovative and original ways of their solutions;
To impart to a student the professional knowledge of the world processes related to political, economic, trade, security or defense issues in national, international, regional and global contexts;	possesses deep and systematic knowledge of the theories of international relations, the main tendencies of modern security agenda, and of international energy policy and energy security among others;
To enable a student to master the skills of critical analysis and qualified evaluation of international processes, events, major tendencies and challenges;	describes the research methods of political science; the decision-making process in international organizations; the main methods and tools of conducting international negotiations; the main features of foreign policy, and Georgian foreign policy among others;

	• realizes and critically considers the current processes, events and main challenges through international, regional and global policy prism; • Through collecting, collating and critically analyzing the voluminous, complex, and oftentimes incomplete, information, formulates foreign-policy positions, conclusions, elaborates decision projects; using the methods of strategic planning, prioritizes and organizes the issues; defines far-reaching political goals; sets concrete problems; formulates activities and sub-activities and ways of their effective realization;
• To teach a student theoretical and practical aspects of international relations; the idiosyncrasies of relations between the world political actors; the structure and functions of major international institutions and platforms; the modern mechanisms and tools of conducting international politics from global and regional standpoints;	• Describes the research methods of political science; the decision-making process in international organizations; the main methods and tools of conducting international negotiations; the main features of foreign policy, and Georgian foreign policy among others;
• To help a student master the research skills by applying modern methods and technologies and be prepared for further scholarly research;	• Describes the research methods of political science; the decision-making process in international organizations; the main methods and tools of conducting international negotiations; the main features of foreign policy, and Georgian foreign policy among others; • Adhering to ethical standards, presents the results of his/her research and validated conclusions to academic and professional societies and non-specialists, in written and oral form, in native and foreign languages; conducts debates coherently, clearly and convincingly; conducts negotiations; engages in discussions; presents and defends his/her opinions, considering and respecting others' viewpoints; • Adhering to the principles of academic honesty and implementing the cutting-edge methods and approaches, conducts research process independently;
• To assist a student in mastering the practical skills to	• Describes the research methods of political science; the decision-

establish proper communication with the colleagues on professional and academic levels, and to conduct effective and result-oriented diplomatic negotiations on an international level;	making process in international organizations; the main methods and tools of conducting international negotiations; the main features of foreign policy, and Georgian foreign policy among others; • Adhering to ethical standards, presents the results of his/her research and validated conclusions to academic and professional societies and non-specialists, in written and oral form, in native and foreign languages; conducts debates coherently, clearly and convincingly; conducts negotiations; engages in discussions; presents and defends his/her opinions, considering and respecting others' viewpoints; • Adheres to diplomatic, ethical and academic norms during professional activity; values and respects the opinions of partners and colleagues;
• To enable a course-graduate to freely and independently define his/her own profile in the field of international relations or related spheres, be it in public, private or non-governmental sectors.	• Manages complex, unpredictable or multidisciplinary study and/or working environment; and freely adapts using new strategic approaches. Bears high level of autonomy and accountability; can take on responsibility for others' activities and for their further professional development; • Through the analysis of the information acquired within the course framework, independently defines the needs of further study; using the received theoretical knowledge and practical work, deepens the knowledge; and freely adapts to new professional environment.