



Study Plan

School: School of Social Sciences
Degree: Master
Course: International Relations and European Studies (cód. 622)

1st Year - 1st Semester

Component code	Name	Scientific Area Field	ECTS	Duration	Hours
ECN12126M	Contemporary Problems of International Public Law	International Relations	9	Semester	234
ECN12127M	Economic Globalization	International Relations	6	Semester	156
ECN12128M	Research Methods in International Relations	International Relations	9	Semester	234
Group of Options					
Component code	Name	Scientific Area Field	ECTS	Duration	Hours
SOC12131M	Studies on Peace and Conflict Resolution	International Relations	6	Semester	156
ECN12132M	Political Economy of Human Rights	International Relations	6	Semester	156

1st Year - 2nd Semester

Component code	Name	Scientific Area Field	ECTS	Duration	Hours
ECN10984M	European Economics	Economy	6	Semester	156
ECN12129M	Juridical and Political Theory of International Relations	International Relations	9	Semester	234
ECN12130M	The European Union and International Security	International Relations	9	Semester	234
Group of Options					
Component code	Name	Scientific Area Field	ECTS	Duration	Hours
ECN12133M	The Eurasia Geopolitics	International Relations	6	Semester	156
ECN12134M	Economic Diplomacy	Economy	6	Semester	156

2nd Year - 3rd Semester

Component code	Name	Scientific Area Field	ECTS	Duration	Hours
	Dissertation				

2nd Year - 4th Semester

Component code	Name	Scientific Area Field	ECTS	Duration	Hours
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Conditions for obtaining the Degree:

*** TRANSLATE ME: Para conclusão do curso é necessário a aprovação (através de avaliação ou creditação) das seguintes unidades curriculares:

1.º Semestre:

3 UC obrigatórias num total de 24 Ects

1 UC optativa conforme quadro de optativas num total de 6 Ects

2.º Semestre:

4 UC obrigatórias num total de 24 Ects

1 UC optativa conforme quadro de optativas num total de 6 Ects

Para obtenção do grau, é necessário também a aprovação na Dissertação, Relatório de Estágio ou Trabalho de Projecto, com um total de 60 ECTS, no 3.º e 4.º Semestre. ***

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Contemporary Problems of International Public Law (ECN12126M)

1. Introductory concepts and theoretical framework
2. Issues, agenda and agenda-setting
3. State and statehood
4. Regions and regionalism
5. Development and inequality
6. Arms and arms control
7. Peacekeeping and humanitarian intervention
8. Nationalism and ethnic conflict
9. Migration, Human Rights and refugees
10. Environment
11. Terrorism

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Economic Globalization (ECN12127M)

- 1 – Introduction: object and objectives of the course
- 2 – Conceptual framework and historical aspects of economic globalization
- 3 – International trade
- 4 – Capital movements: foreign direct investments and international portfolio investments
- 5 – Migration flows
- 6 – Environmental impacts of globalization
- 7 – The impact of economic globalization: the perspective of the European Union and of developing countries
- 8 – Institutional issues: the main international economic institutions



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Research Methods in International Relations (ECN12128M)

1. Understanding and epistemological models of International Relations Theory
2. Methodology in International Relations:
 - 2.1. Sectors, structures and processes
 - 2.2. Study subject
 - 2.3. Levels of analysis
 - 2.4. Hypotheses and testing
3. Methodological operationalization
 - 3.1. What is research?
 - 3.2. The link between research and theory
 - 3.3. The selection and choice of theme
4. The documentary sources
 - 4.1. The use of documentary sources
 - 4.2. The primary sources, secondary and tertiary
5. Qualitative interviews and analysis
 - 5.1. The qualified informant
 - 5.2. The choice between standardized interviews, semi-structured and unstructured
 - 5.3. Qualitative analysis of interviews
6. Research:
 - 6.1. The objective
 - 6.2. The literature search
 - 6.3. Research on the Internet: the use of search engines and the intersection of information obtained
7. The collection of information
8. Treatment Information
9. The wording
 - 9.1. Presentation
 - 9.2. Creativity
 - 9.3. Structure
10. The final step
 - 10.1. Draft the final version
 - 10.2. Dissemination of results and conclusions



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Studies on Peace and Conflict Resolution (SOC12131M)

1 - Overview of studies on Peace

The interdisciplinary nature of peace and war

Theories of peace and conflict

Causes of war

Political systems, and violent conflict

2 - The Globalization of War and their new typologies

Conflict in transformation

"New profile" of risk and diffuse threats

Actors in the international system

Wars, conflicts, violence in of globalization

The internal and external dimension of the new wars:

3 - Security and Defence in international relations

The defense and security of the general framework

The strategic positioning of Portugal

Perspectives on security and defense in Europe

U.S., China and Russia global strategy

Security and Defence in Portugal

4 - Old threats and emerging challenges

Military intervention and interference

Of diplomatic strategy to military strategy. Persuasion, deterrence, coercion.

Prevention and Crisis Management

Out of conflict: peace and reconciliation

Collective security and peacekeeping operations

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Political Economy of Human Rights (ECN12132M)

1.1 Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

1.2 Economics and Responsibility for Human Rights

1.3 Availability of means and Human Rights

1.4 Discourses of Economics and Human Rights

2.1 The Right to Work

2.2 Guaranteeing the Right to Work and Public Action

2.3 The Conflict between Economy and Right to Work

3.1 Rights and Economic Goods

3.2 The Political Economy of Right to Water

3.3 The Political Economy of Social Security

4.1 Culture and Economic Theory

4.2 The Political Economy of Cultural Exclusion

4.3 Economic Development and Cultural Determinism

4.4 Critique of Cultural Determinism

5.1 Democracy and Human Rights

5.2 Democracy and Economic Development

5.3 The Political Economy of Democratization

5.4 Alternatives of Democratization

6.1 The Naturalization of the Economy

6.2 The Conflict between Scientific and Democratic Rationalities

6.3 The Hegemony of Market Ideology

6.4 Economic Globalization and the Erosion of Democratic Idea



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European Economics (ECN10984M)

1. Introduction
2. The European Union (institutional organization; budget; decision-making and Policy of reference)
(5 topics of the present European Union annually adjustable)
3. The competitiveness of European economies and Europe 2020
4. Citizenship and participation of European citizens in decision making
5. Presidency of the Council: a role for each Member State
6. The EU's contribution to energy efficiency and environmental protection
7. Viability of monetary union without political union

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Juridical and Political Theory of International Relations (ECN12129M)

1. The west tradition in international politics.
2. The crisis of international and legal order in the XXIst century.
3. Globalization or global system? Critical debates.

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The European Union and International Security (ECN12130M)

1. The idea of a political unity in Europe
2. The European identity between diversity and unity
3. The EU borders: strategic positioning
4. The EU role in the international relations
5. The EU and NATO
6. The EU and BRICs
7. The EU and Middle East
8. The structure of security and defense of the EU
9. Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP) (1992-2010)
10. European Security and Defense Policy (ESDP) (1999-2010)
11. Europe: military or civilian power?
12. Security and foreign policy of the great powers
13. International security: terrorism and armament
14. Crisis management and conflict prevention at international level

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The Eurasia Geopolitics (ECN12133M)

1. Geopolitics: epistemological concepts
2. Geopolitics and International Relations
- 3 post-Soviet space. The fall of the Berlin Wall and the collapse of the USSR: the eastern countries
4. European Security and Eurasian integration: International Security dilemmas
- 5 The US-Central Asia relations
6. Israel's strategy against Azerbaijan and Central Asia
7. Iran
8. Europe and Turkey.
9. The geostrategic role of Eurasia in XXI Century
10. The energy factor: oil and gas pipelines



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Economic Diplomacy (ECN12134M)

1. The importance of Economic Diplomacy in a multipolar and globalized world.
2. Multilateralism, Regionalism and Minilateralism: the challenges of global governance.
3. The conceptual framework and theoretical approaches for Economic Diplomacy
4. Public Policy and the as a tool to promote the economies internationalization and competitiveness.
5. 5. The main vectors of Economic Diplomacy: Action dimensions, strategies of actors and organizational models.
6. Economic Diplomacy of the European Union: the rationality of its operation to its effectiveness.
7. The institutional architecture of the Portuguese Economic Diplomacy.
8. Future Challenges of Economic Diplomacy.