Politics Undergraduate

BSc (Hons) Politics and International Relations
BSc (Hons) Politics with Economics
BA (Hons) Language and Politics
Welcome from the Head of Department

The University of Bath is a world-class institution. In the Department of Politics, Languages and International Studies we offer a range of high-quality degree programmes which make our students highly employable and equip them to face the challenges of the future. Our programmes in Politics (Politics and International Relations, Politics with Economics, and Language and Politics) are ranked 3rd for Graduate Prospects in The Complete University Guide 2014.

Our department is renowned for producing internationally mobile students. We offer excellent placement opportunities and exciting options for study and work abroad. Our current undergraduates praise us for our student-centred approach and the support offered by our staff.

We look forward to meeting you!

Prof Charles Lees
Head of Department

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Politics at Bath

With the process of globalisation subjecting the established political order to ever accelerating change, and with domestic life vulnerable to new security and environmental threats, there are few more exciting and relevant disciplines than that of politics.

Studying at Bath gives you the opportunity to explore and make sense of contemporary problems and issues relating to politics, international relations and political economy. You will be engaging with specialists in the field whose research feeds directly into the lively lectures and seminars where you will be encouraged to challenge the ideas you’ve heard and formulate ideas of your own.

Why study Politics at Bath?

- A challenging curriculum which will enable you to develop a systematic understanding of contemporary politics and a critical perspective towards problems
- A wide range of options allowing you to broaden your understanding through the study of related disciplines (such as area studies, development studies, a foreign language, management or social policy) or to concentrate on areas you feel most interested in
- Excellent reputation for teaching and learning – many of the enthusiastic and approachable teaching team are internationally renowned experts in their research fields
- An intellectually exciting environment with students and staff from a number of different disciplinary backgrounds and from many different countries in Europe and the wider world
- Close associations with employers and a strong emphasis on developing marketable and transferable skills such as teamwork, communication, planning, prioritising, problem-solving, decision-making and project management
- Professional placement opportunity or study abroad in your third year - highly valued by employers and giving you an advantage in the competitive job market when you graduate
- Graduate employment prospects that have been consistently ranked among the best in the UK.

At Bath it is possible to study:

BSc (Hons) Politics and International Relations
Three years full time or four years including an optional professional placement

BSc (Hons) Politics with Economics
Three years full time or four years including an optional professional placement

BA (Hons) Language and Politics
Four years including a year abroad integral to the course

The three politics programmes share a common core which is designed to develop a critical understanding of political theories and concepts and to apply this to the study of individual states and political movements. The Department is particularly strong in European politics, but in a global context.

Politics and International Relations combines this core with the study of global affairs, including the sources of conflict and security in today’s world, the development of international organisations, international political economy, and the analysis of how states make foreign policy. This programme will enable you to acquire the knowledge and analytical skills necessary to understand the globalising international order of the 21st Century.

Politics with Economics allows students to study economics as a subsidiary subject alongside politics. You will develop technical and quantitative skills as well as a detailed understanding of the interaction of economic and political processes in the world today. (An alternative programme in Economics and Politics is available at Bath for students who would prefer greater exposure to mathematical economic analysis).

Language and Politics combines the study of politics (including international relations) with the study of a European language in cultural and political context and includes a compulsory year of work or study abroad. This programme will enable you to master a language and to understand the social, political and economic changes now affecting Europe and the world.
Charlotte Serres
BSc (Hons) Politics and International Relations

“Studying the Politics and International Relations programme at Bath was incredibly enriching. I had access to a wide variety of modules, including politics and international relations theory, as well as for example, European and American politics. I also had the opportunity to choose units from other departments, such as International Development or Marketing, while learning Russian as an option. Not only is the course intellectually challenging and the 24/7 library facilities extremely practical, above all, the quality of the academic staff is outstanding. As a driven and curious student, I found that the professors in my department were very approachable, always ready to provide support and advice.

Being a job-market oriented university, the course was structured to allow me to develop and strengthen my transferable skills, especially in teamwork, and written and oral communication…these are features employers are extremely interested in. I have now received offers from Cambridge and Oxford universities to undertake a postgraduate degree.

I can confidently say that the Politics and International Relations course at the University of Bath was much more than I had expected. To those ambitious students out there and their parents, I would definitely recommend it!”

Your degree structure

The Politics and International Relations and the Politics with Economics BSc (Hons) degree programmes are delivered full time over three years with an optional professional placement year (in year three). The BA (Hons) Language and Politics degree is a four year programme which includes a mandatory year abroad in your third year, in a country where your language of study is the majority language.

Our programmes are modular, consisting of self-contained units, taught and assessed on a semester basis. Assessment consists of a combination of coursework essays, class exercises, projects, oral presentations and examinations. As you progress through each semester and successfully pass the examinations, you will receive credit for the units, thus providing you with a clear indication of your academic progress.

In years one and two you take core, compulsory units which lay the foundations for understanding political theory, and choose extra units to explore more fully your chosen disciplines. In the final year you are offered a range of advanced units, many of which reflect the research interests of the staff in the department. You will also complete your dissertation, which involves collecting and analysing data (you may have made a start on this during your placement year).
Politics and International Relations, Politics with Economics programme structures

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For further details on the units available, please see our website: [www.bath.ac.uk/study](http://www.bath.ac.uk/study)

A wide range of optional units are offered common to both programmes, some of which are taught by other University of Bath departments. To give you a flavour of the range on offer, these units cover topics such as: Europe since 1945; Introductory sociology; Russian language (ab initio); Contemporary politics of the Middle East; Totalitarian politics; Transitions to democracy; Comparative elections and voting; US intelligence, covert action and international politics; Anti-politics and direct action; Organised crime and democracy in Italy; The politics of ethnicity, religion and nationalism; and The politics of Latin America. Additional optional units are offered each year for the Politics with Economics programme. These include topics such as: Economic policy in the UK; and Money and finance.

“I am confident that Politics with Economics was the best choice for me, as it is one of the most diverse academic programmes Bath offers in the field of social sciences. I have had a chance to explore many of my interests, such as development studies and economic transitions in Eastern Europe.

Mats Kuuskemaa
BSc (Hons) Politics with Economics
Politics and International Relations, Politics with Economics core/compulsory units

Year 1

Key concepts in politics*
The study of politics is based around concepts and theories which help us to understand and explain political phenomena. Even those we use every day, such as “the state” or “democracy” or “modernisation”, are surprisingly complicated and lots of arguments revolve around their definition and use. This unit provides an introduction to some of the most important, such as legitimacy, the state, democracy, political culture, revolution, nationalism and globalisation.

Comparative politics*
From the very beginnings of the study of politics, scholars have tried to classify and compare political arrangements in different countries and have argued over which is “best”. Looking at modern Western liberal democracies, this unit asks how we should set about comparison and what conclusions we can draw – in particular, what generalisations can be made about political processes.

Political ideologies*
In asking the question “what form of government is best?” students of politics from the earliest times have assumed that people can change their political arrangements and that their actions can be shaped by ideas about how politics works and how political life could be improved. This unit introduces the study of political ideologies, the “packages” of ideas which are central to modern political debate on these issues, such as conservatism, liberalism, ecologism, feminism and socialism.

British politics
Drawing on the techniques and approaches introduced in Comparative Politics in the first semester, this unit provides a grounding in the study of the British political system, including the role of parliament, the main political parties, the media, policing, etc.

International relations and global politics*
This unit introduces the main paradigms used by different schools of thought to understand the interaction of states – Realism, Liberalism, and Critical Approaches – and examines the strengths and weaknesses of each. The unit then looks at some of the major issues in international relations today, including the changing balance of power, the sources of conflict, the problems of economic development and the processes of globalisation, and at attempts by international organisations like the UN or the International Monetary Fund to regulate international behaviour.

International History 1815-1991 (P&IR only)
The unit aims to prepare students for the study of international relations through an examination of the history of relations between states and of international conflict in Europe and the wider world since 1815. It explores the factors which made Europe relatively peaceful in the 19th Century but plunged it into conflict between 1914 and 1945; the origins of European colonialism and the process and legacies of decolonisation in Latin America, Asia and Africa; the Cold War; and the persisting problem of how to secure peace in the Middle East.

International political economy (P&IR only)
The unit studies the changing global economy from a political perspective, looking at international trade and financial markets, currency crises, regionalisation, migration, etc. It draws on a number of theoretical approaches which have been developed for this sort of analysis. It looks in particular at the paradox of regionalisation within globalisation by looking at the development of three “macro” economic regions: the Americas, Europe and Africa; and the Middle East.

Introductory economics (PwE only)
This double unit provides an introduction to the methods of microeconomic and macroeconomic analysis. It aims to enable you to derive conclusions from simple economic models and evaluate their realism and usefulness, with examples and problems from the contemporary scene.

The modern world economy (PwE only)
This unit aims to equip students with a critical understanding of economic issues in the context of global developments and international institutions. The unit deals in an analytical and theoretical way with topics dealing with the world economy, global financial crises, globalisation, international trade, economic growth and poverty.

Year 2

American politics*
This unit extends the study of comparative politics by examining a series of debates relating to the recent history and current state of the national political system in the United States. Topics covered include the constitutional framework, political parties and interest groups, political culture, the difficult questions of race and poverty, judicial review, and American foreign policy.
European political thought*
This unit develops the study of political ideas to focus on some of their creators, the major political thinkers of the European tradition such as Machiavelli, Hobbes, Locke, Kant, Rousseau and Marx. It focuses on key texts by these writers and invites you to understand their immediate context but also to reflect on their contribution to the evolution of thinking about politics and on their relevance to debates about politics today.

European union politics*
The European Union is of great importance in the study of politics, first because it unites a major part of the developed world, and second because it is unique – neither a state nor an international organisation, but something between the two. The unit introduces you to EU institutions and process and then looks at some of the major fields of European Union policy, such as monetary union, social welfare, migration, defence and security.

A history of international relations theory (P&IR only)
The unit explores in more depth the paradigms or traditions of thought used to understand international relations, using a historical approach. It examines the origins and development of some of the different historical state systems from which modern European and global international society emerged, starting with the Ancient Greek international order of city states and moving on through mediaeval Europe to the present day.

Conflict and international security (P&IR only)
Building on theories introduced in the first-year, this unit challenges you to understand and explain the causes of war and the conditions of peace in the international system. It focuses on the major conflicts in the world today and explores the nature of contemporary conflict and security by analysing specific problems in regions such as Europe, the Middle East, Africa and Asia.

Foreign policy-making and its analysis (P&IR only)
Using a number of case studies, this unit explores how states make foreign policies. Do the preferences of individual leaders matter or does “national interest” determine what position a state will take on a given issue? How important are domestic considerations, such as public opinion or special interest groups? Do academics and experts play any real role?

International organisation (P&IR only)
Building on the first year introductory unit, this unit seeks to provide you with a theoretical and empirical understanding of the structures, possibilities and limitations of formal and informal international organisations. It looks at the major international institutions, in particular the United Nations system, regional organisations, and key sectoral inter-governmental organisations, including economic institutions such as the World Bank.

Economics of politics (PwE only)
This unit employs introductory microeconomic theory to analyse political behaviour, thus providing you with an integrative link between economics and politics. This is the “rational choice” approach to the study of politics which has been very influential in recent decades. You will investigate the extent to which a rational choice model provides insight into political behaviour and institutions.

Economic thought and policy (PwE only)
Having considered great political thinkers in the first semester, in this unit you will explore the ideas of major economists from the late 18th to the mid 20th century, including Smith, Ricardo, Marshall, Keynes and Friedman.

Research design and methods in politics*
This unit prepares you for the final year dissertation and provides an introduction to the principles, philosophies and practice of research design in social and political science.

Final year
US global politics (P&IR only)
As the major player in the contemporary world order since 1991, and a superpower for nearly a century, the United States is an essential focus of study in international relations. The unit explores the evolution and current nature of US interactions with the world by analysing its foreign policy in its historical context. It builds on theories and issues considered in the second year units in international relations to provide a sophisticated and critical understanding of America’s global role.

Dissertation*
A distinctive feature of the politics programmes at Bath is the compulsory 10,000-word final-year dissertation, on a topic chosen by you. Your supervisor helps you to define a topic and a research strategy and advises you on constructing your argument and preparing the final draft. The dissertation develops skills in research, working independently and in managing a project which are very valuable assets in many careers; it also provides a very solid foundation for advanced postgraduate study and the satisfaction and confidence to be gained from successful completion is considerable!

*Also core units for Language and Politics degrees
NOTE: many of the Politics and International Relations units are available as options to Politics with Economics and Language and Politics students.
All students on the Politics and International Relations and Politics with Economics programmes have the opportunity to undertake a one-year placement during the third year. Over the years, the University has built up contacts with a large number of organisations that can provide the high standard of training we expect. The excellent employment rate of our students is due in no small measure to the ‘hands-on’ experience and skills they acquire from their placement.

Why choose to do a placement?

- The placement is an opportunity to apply the theory you have learnt in a practical context
- It will enable you to learn about an organisation and its area of work, and to evaluate potential future career paths
- The placement can provide the material on which to base your final year dissertation
- The transferable, professional skills that you acquire during your placement are highly valued by employers and give you a competitive edge in the graduate job market
- Students are sometimes offered permanent graduate jobs by their placement providers

How would I get a placement?
The dedicated Placements Officer will support and guide you through the competitive recruitment process to gain your placement. In the first year you will receive briefings on CV writing and interview skills, and will be given information on the choices that are likely to be available to you. In the second year you will start applying for placements. Many are advertised by the Placements Officer but you will be expected to research opportunities for yourself as well. The onus is on you to find a placement, with full support from the Placement Team.

On your placement
Your Placements Tutor will provide you with advice and support throughout and you will be guided by your workplace Supervisor. You’ll have regular contact with your Placements Officer and if you’re on a placement in the UK, a member of our staff will visit you.

You’ll need to satisfactorily complete a minimum of 30 weeks on placement and submit two short reports during this time. You will produce a placement poster to display at an exhibition in your final year. The placement will not contribute to your final degree classification.

Most political placements are unpaid but some offer a small allowance. Business and banking placements are usually paid a salary. If you consider a placement abroad, please take into account visa costs and travel expenses. You will pay reduced tuition fees for the placement year.

What kind of job could I do?
You could work in a political or a business/finance setting. Many students gain political experience in public affairs consultancies, political parties, as assistants to MPs/MEPs or in research and administrative posts. The majority of political placements are in London or Brussels. It is possible to work for an international development organisation further afield as long as you are fluent in the language used by the placement provider. Students can also work in investment or retail banking and asset management, for large accounting and consulting firms or for manufacturing organisations in a variety of functions.

All placement jobs are at a junior professional level. Ideally, you will be given a project or a piece of work that will be your individual responsibility. The job will provide you with a challenge and allow you to use existing skills and develop new ones. Placements may involve an element of routine work as well.

The following are some of our recent placement providers:

### Political and Public Sector
- House of Commons
- Welsh Assembly
- Local UK political party offices
- Confederation of British Industry (CBI), Brussels
- NGOs
- Political think tanks
- Lobbying companies, London & Brussels
- Council of the European Union
- Government Affairs departments of large companies eg Airbus
- International Development consultancies
- National Embassies

### Business and Finance
- Goldman Sachs
- Morgan Stanley
- UBS
- Lloyds Banking Group
- Disney Corporation
- Nike Inc
- Airbus
- Renault UK
- Nissan
- Accenture
- Deloitte
- PriceWaterhouseCoopers
- Ernst & Young
- Microsoft
- Cisco Systems
“During my placement year I worked for Goldman Sachs in the syndicated loans team. I experienced constant progression in the exposure I was given to the more complex aspects of the product. I soon assumed several significant responsibilities, no different from those around me and became a valued part of the team. The placement programme also provided a series of networking events which not only expanded my understanding of different areas of the firm and various career paths but also led to a number of new professional contacts and social friends. The connections one makes whilst at the firm mean that there is a good chance of obtaining future employment and upon completing my placement I was subsequently offered the chance to return to Goldman Sachs as a graduate.

My placement allowed me to develop a range of valuable, transferable skills on top of the specific knowledge involved with the product. Chief amongst these was the ability to effectively manage my time and prioritise tasks, which were essential to handle a demanding workload. These skills proved extremely useful in my final year of university and will undoubtedly continue to be important throughout my future career. Taking a placement was hugely beneficial to my time at university and dramatically enhanced my career prospects through adding invaluable business experience to academic study. I could not recommend it more highly.”
We offer BA (Hons) degree programmes in French and Politics, German and Politics, Italian and Politics, Italian (ab initio) and Politics, Russian (ab initio) and Politics and Spanish and Politics. In addition to the compulsory units respective to each language chosen, a wide range of optional units are offered in politics, European studies, international relations, sociology, social policy, psychology and management. A second foreign language may also be chosen as an option in each year.

Year abroad

The four year BA (Hons) degree in Language and Politics includes a mandatory year abroad. This can be spent on a study placement at a foreign university (usually an exchange with one of our current ERASMUS partners), as a language assistant in a school, on a work placement, or a combination. The Year Abroad assessment contributes 8% to your final degree classification.

For further information on the year abroad, please visit our website: www.bath.ac.uk/politics

Spending a year in Buenos Aires on a work placement was, without a doubt, the most rewarding experience of my university career. I was fortunate enough to secure a placement with JP Morgan (on a trading desk), and this professional experience in a country as diverse as Argentina not only gave me the best chance to improve my language skills, but also gave me further insight into an industry which had always been of interest to me. I gained what can only be described as the best JP Morgan training experience in the world. Argentine law permitted me to participate in trading activity and to get a real feel for the market and the products we traded. This was an invaluable experience that focused me and provided me with skills that eventually resulted in a job offer from the firm back in London.

Living life as a ‘Porteño’ gives the most culturally diverse and fun experiences in South America - very open and friendly locals combined with great food/wine and a phenomenal nightlife can make it a very difficult place to leave after even a few weeks. The whole experience of a completely different continent and style of life, and sharing it with new life-long friends, made it a damn-near perfect way to spend a year.

Kim Farley
BA (Hons) Spanish and Politics
Placement with JP Morgan, Buenos Aires, Argentina
Ivaylo Iaydjiev  
BA (Hons) French and Politics  
Study placement at Sciences Po, Paris, France

“I spent my third year on an Erasmus exchange, studying in Sciences Po Paris, possibly France’s most renowned educational institution for politics. This experience was academically rewarding as I discovered a new approach to my fields of interests and I could choose relatively freely between many interesting options and engaging lecturers. I discovered and engaged with topics which would develop into research questions and publications. Personally, it was even more satisfying as I experienced (again) life in yet another foreign country, got to meet and make many friends from all over the world, and improved significantly my French.

The Erasmus exchange was great for my career - it added much valuable international experience which I can draw on to illustrate my intercultural communication ability, problem solving and adaptation skills. In addition to being intellectually stimulating, it also gives you a feeling of academic approaches in other countries in which you might decide to return to work or study as I have; I applied for and was accepted for a Masters at the same university. In short, my study year abroad equipped me both with advanced understanding of my subject and key international transferable skills.”
Careers and destinations

Bath graduates are very successful in today’s competitive labour market; politics at Bath is ranked 3rd in the UK for successful graduate employment in The Complete University Guide 2014.

Graduates in Politics and International Relations are found in a wide range of jobs, such as government research officer, lecturer, journalist, lobbyist, media analyst, party political agent, research officer or voluntary work organiser.

Popular destinations for Politics with Economics graduates are jobs in consultancy, financial services, management, public administration, the media, and political and policy organisations at local, national, European and international levels. Employers of recent graduates include Accenture, the Brookings Institution, Deutsche Welle Radio, Goldman Sachs, Green Issues Consultants, Politics International, Rolls-Royce, the UK Ministry of Defence and the UK Diplomatic Service.

Many of our graduates continue into postgraduate study at Bath and other leading institutions, including the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, the London School of Economics, Imperial College Business School in London, the London School of Journalism, the Institute d’Études Politiques de Paris (Sciences Po), the Hertie School of Governance in Berlin, and the College d’Europe in Bruges.

“My undergraduate degree has equipped me with a sound understanding of the scholarly fields of politics and IR as well as with all the technical skills necessary to pursue my ambition for Masters and Doctoral study. The various optional units offered as part of the degree enabled me to develop an individual area of interest, while the overall course structure and teaching methods encouraged me to find my own pace and technique of research and writing. I found all staff at Bath to be very friendly, supportive and helpful during my time as an undergraduate student and beyond – their continuing commitment to my academic development has been invaluable to me.”

Sarah Glatte
BSc (Hons) Politics and International Relations
Now studying for a doctorate at the University of Oxford

“My BSc in Politics and International Relations has given me a superb insight into the wide range of political issues affecting the UK and beyond. The enthusiasm of the academic staff at Bath for their chosen fields conveyed to me a passion for political issues, encouraging me to pursue a career in the public sector. I am now on the Civil Service fast stream, an accelerated development programme for graduates who have the potential to become the future leaders of the Civil Service. Studying at Bath developed in me many of the attributes necessary: I was taught to think critically; to analyse information from a diverse range of sources; and to communicate effectively. The programme offered by Bath really challenged me, giving me the confidence I needed to be accepted onto the fast stream.”

Simon Jones
BSc (Hons) Politics and International Relations
Now in the Civil Service

“I always considered my degree to be a fantastic “base” for any future career. I enjoyed every aspect of learning and studying in Bath and I made some life-long friends as a result. I didn’t follow the scripted graduate path, but rather my passion and I made sure to take advantage of some exciting opportunities, which only enhanced my career and experiences.”

Reshmin Chowdhury
BSc (Hons) Politics with Economics
Now with BBC Sports News
Department staff and affiliates are involved in a diverse range of fields in politics and international relations. Here are details of a few staff members to show how our research and teaching interests overlap:

Dr Wali Aslam
Wali joined the Department in 2013 from Brunel University. He has written on United States foreign policy and Asian security, and teaches a second year option on the politics of the Middle East.

Dr Ingolfur Blühdorn
Ingolfur teaches socio-political theory and political sociology. He is internationally known, in particular, for his work on post-ecologism, the politics of unsustainability, the post-democratic turn and simulative politics.

Professor Anna Bull
Anna is Professor of Italian History and Politics with research interests in Italian fascism and neofascism, the Lega Nord, terrorism and reconciliation. She teaches the final year option ‘Political terrorism and its legacy in Italy’.

Dr Maria Garcia
Maria joined the Department in 2014 having worked previously at the University of Canterbury (New Zealand). Her expertise relates to the politics of international trade.

Professor Peter Lambert
Peter has published widely on Paraguayan and Latin American contemporary politics and society, including themes such as authoritarianism, nationalism and democratic transition. He is Associate Dean for Learning and Teaching within the Faculty.

Professor Charles Lees, Head of Department
Charles joined the Department in 2011 from the University of Sheffield. He specialises in comparative politics and policy, including political parties and party systems, coalition government and environmental politics and policy.

Dr Susan Milner
Susan’s research interests lie in the field of employment relations and employment and social policy, at European Union level and in its member states. She is a Reader in French and European Studies and teaches Policy and policy-making in the EU.

Dr Bradley Thayer
Previously a Fellow at the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University, Bradley’s expertise relates to US national security policy, nuclear deterrence and terrorism.

Dr Scott Thomas
Scott is an American who came to Bath University in 1994, and who has specialised in the global resurgence of cultural and religious identities and their impact on international relations. He has spoken widely on his subject, including at the Vatican.
The University of Bath has been recognised as the ‘Best Campus University in Britain’ in *The Times and The Sunday Times Good University Guide 2014*.

Our welcoming, purpose-built campus is safe and friendly, with a vibrant international community, excellent student services, outstanding arts facilities and a first-class sports complex. The campus is located about a mile from the World Heritage City of Bath - one of the most interesting, elegant and vibrant cities in the UK, home to several excellent museums and galleries, parks, numerous restaurants, cafés and pubs and a great range of shopping.

Frequent bus services link the campus, city and major student residential areas. Bath is not far from Bristol International Airport. By train, London is approximately 90 minutes and Bristol about fifteen minutes away. You are always connected to your work, your home and your social life when studying.
Programmes

BSc (Hons) Politics and International Relations  
Full Time L291  
Thick Sandwich L290

BSc (Hons) Politics with Economics  
Full Time L2L1  
Thick Sandwich L2LC

Language and Politics programmes:

- BA (Hons) French and Politics  
  RL12
- BA (Hons) German and Politics  
  RL22
- BA (Hons) Italian and Politics  
  RL32
- BA (Hons) Italian (ab initio) and Politics  
  RL32
- BA (Hons) Russian (ab initio) and Politics  
  RL72
- BA (Hons) Spanish and Politics  
  RL42

Typical offers:

- Politics and International Relations: AAA
- Politics with Economics: AAA
- Language and Politics: AAB - ABB

The Department of Politics, Languages and International Studies also offers undergraduate degree programmes in International Management and Modern Languages and in Modern Languages and European Studies. Please refer to our separate brochures or visit our website.

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