

OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY
Graduate Program International Studies (GPIS)
Ph.D. in International Studies

Advising Record
Catalog 2024-2025

Student _____

UIN _____ Sem/Year Admitted _____

Adviser _____

Please indicate the courses/requirements already completed.

Prerequisites

These prerequisite courses do NOT count toward the 48 credit hours required for the PhD program. Courses may be waived only by the Program Director. Each prerequisite course must be completed with a grade of B (3.00) or above.

		Semester/Yr	Grade
IS 600	Research Methods in International Studies		
IS 601	Seminar in International Relations Theory		
IS 606	American Foreign Policy and World Order OR		
IS 655	International History		
ECON 650	International Economics		

Program Common Core Courses

Students must take the following four program core courses.

		Semester/Yr	Grade
IS 814	Law in the International System		
IS 820	Research Seminar in Global Security		
IS 823	Advanced Statistical Techniques for International Studies		
IS 824	International and Comparative Political Economy		

Primary Field: _____

Students must take 5 seminars in their primary field (15 credit hours). This includes the field core seminar plus four additional seminars. See the individual field sheets for guidance on appropriate seminars, any questions should be directed to the field coordinator.

	Course #	Seminar	Semester/Yr	Grade
Field Core				
Seminar 2				
Seminar 3				
Seminar 4				
Seminar 5				

Secondary Field: _____

Students must take 3 seminars in their secondary field (9 credit hours). This will include the field core seminar plus two additional seminars. See the individual field sheets for guidance on appropriate seminars. Any questions about appropriate seminars should be directed to the field coordinator.

	Course #	Seminar	Semester/Yr	Grade
Field Core				
Seminar 2				
Seminar 3				

Foreign Language

The foreign language requirement can be satisfied either by having passed two 300 level courses with a grade of B or better, or by passing a translation examination. Native speakers of a foreign language do not need to take the exam.

Language _____

Method of Certification _____ Date of Certification _____

Foreign language classes cannot count towards the unit requirement.

Independent/Directed Research, Internships

Students may count no more than three (3) credit hours of independent studies or internships toward their 36 credit hours of coursework.

PhD Comprehensive Exam

The PhD comprehensive examinations cannot be taken until all of the course requirements and the language requirement are completed. The exam is offered in August and January. A guide to the PhD comprehensives is available online.

Semester taken or anticipated _____

Dissertation Credits

In addition to 36 credit hours of coursework, students must take at least 12 credit hours of IS 899 Dissertation in order to meet the required 48 credit hours.

Continuous Registration Requirement

Please note that all PhD students must be continually registered from the time they complete their comprehensive examination until they complete the degree. This requires registration for at least one credit hour in every semester (including summers). Military students deployed out of the area may petition for an exception to this requirement.

Time Limit

PhD Students must complete their degree within 8 years from the starting semester. Active duty military students may receive an extension up to 5 years.

Date Updated

Adviser's Signature

