

**Academic Year 2026/27**

**MA European Union Studies**

**Code: 4029 F/P**

**MA International Relations**

**Code: 4030 F/P**

**MA International Political Economy**

**Code: 4031F/P**

**MSc Development, Environment and International Politics**

**Code: 4086 F/P**

**MA International Politics (Global Justice and Ethics)**

**Code: 4087 F/P**

**MA International Politics (Geopolitics)**

**Code: 4088 F/P**

**MA World Politics and Popular Culture**

**Code: 4109 F/P**

*Notes*

- (i) These programme regulations should be read in conjunction with the University's Taught Programme Regulations.*
- (ii) A core module is a module which a student must pass.*
- (iii) A compulsory module is a module which a student is required to study.*
- (iv) All modules are delivered in Linear mode unless stated otherwise as Block, eLearning or distance learning.*

**1. Programme structure**

- (a) The programmes are available for study in both full-time and part-time modes.
- (b) The period of study for full-time mode shall be one year starting in September. The period of study for part-time mode shall normally be two years starting in September.
- (c) The programme comprises modules to a credit value of 180.
- (d) All candidates shall take 100 credits of compulsory modules depending on your degree programme:

**4029 F/P MA European Union Studies, compulsory modules are:**

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Credits Sem 3</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>
POL8003	European Union: Policy and Politics	20		20		7	
POL8041	Thinking About Politics	20	20			7	
POL8099	Dissertation	60			60	7	

**4030 F/P MA International Relations, compulsory modules are:**

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive Title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Credits Sem 3</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>
POL8006	Theories of International Relations	20	20			7	
POL8041	Thinking About Politics	20	20			7	
POL8099	Dissertation	60			60	7	

**4031F/P MA International Political Economy, compulsory modules are:**

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Credits Sem 3</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>
POL8005	Theories and Theorists of International Political Economy	20	20			7	
POL8041	Thinking About Politics	20	20			7	
POL8099	Dissertation	60			60	7	

**4086 F/P MSc Development, Environment and International Politics, compulsory modules are:**

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Credits Sem 3</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>
POL8041	Thinking About Politics	20	20			7	
POL8043	Development, Environment and International Politics	20		20		7	
POL8099	Dissertation	60			60	7	

**4087 F/P MA International Politics (Global Justice and Ethics), compulsory modules are:**

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive Title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Credits Sem 3</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>
POL8039	Global Justice and Human Rights	20	20			7	
POL8041	Thinking About Politics	20	20			7	
POL8099	Dissertation	60			60	7	

**4088 F/P MA International Politics (Geopolitics), compulsory modules are:**

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Credits Sem 3</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>
POL8041	Thinking About Politics	20	20			7	
POL8044	Geopolitics	20		20		7	
POL8099	Dissertation	60			60	7	

**4109 F/P MA World Politics and Popular Culture, compulsory modules are:**

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Credits Sem 3</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>
POL8041	Thinking About Politics	20	20			7	
POL8048	World Politics and Popular Culture	20	20			7	
POL8099	Dissertation	60			60	7	

- (e) All candidates with the approval of the Degree Programme Director shall take modules to a credit value of 80 chosen from the following list but **cannot** take a module that is compulsory to your degree programme and already pre-selected for you (see lists above):

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Credits Sem 3</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>
POL8003	European Union: Policy and Politics	20		20		7	
POL8005	Theories and Theorists of International Political Economy	20	20			7	
POL8006	Theories of International Relations	20	20			7	
POL8020	American Foreign Policy	20		20			
POL8039	Global Justice and Human Rights	20	20			7	
POL8043	Development, Environment and International Politics	20		20		7	
POL8044	Geopolitics	20		20		7	
POL8048	World Politics, and Popular Culture, and Arts	20	20			7	
POL8059	The United Nations: Policy, Politics and Power	20		20		7	
POL8065	Principles of Data Science for Political Research	20		20		7	
POL8067	The Moral Limits of the Market: Theoretical Foundations	10		10		7	
POL8068	The Moral Limits of the Market: Public Policy Projects	10		10		7	
POL8070	Problem Solving for Defence (H4MoD)	20		20		7	

POL8072	Public Policy in Practice: from the Local to the Global	20	20			7	
POL8073	Policy-orientated research in Sustainable Development	20		20		7	
SEC8026	Global Security: Politics, Space and Society (P)	20		20		7	

**OR**

- (f) With the approval of the Degree Programme Director students may take modules to a credit value of 60 chosen from the list above and modules offered by other schools in the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences up to a maximum credit value of 20. The following modules may be selected if appropriate to your degree programme:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Credits Sem 3</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>
SOC8069	Critical Approaches to Environment and Society	20		20		7	
SOC8054	Theorising Gender and its Intersections	20	20			7	
SOC8070	Global Sex Global Race	20		20		7	
SOC8072	Inequalities: Issues and Intersections	20	20			7	
SOC8073	Perpetual Wars? Crime, Policing and (in)Security	20		20		7	
GEO8000	Global Sustainable Futures: Solutions, Concepts and Skills	20	20			7	
GEO8010	Creative Methods in Social Science	20	20			7	
GEO8030	Geographical Inequalities and Policy	20	20			7	
GEO8031	Migration, Displacement and Global Challenges	20		20		7	
LAW8131	Cybersecurity Law and Policy	20	20			7	
LAW8146	Public International Law	20	20			7	
LAW8577	Law and Emerging Technologies	20	20			7	
MCH8552	Heritage Processes: global perspectives, practices and politics	20		20		7	

- (g) Additional modules may be available in subsequent years and students will be invited to select from the programme offered at the start of every academic year. Please note that not all the modules are guaranteed to run each year.
- (h) The compulsory dissertation POL8099 (60), which shall not normally exceed 10,000 words, shall be on a subject inline with your degree programme, approved by the Degree Programme Director.

- (i) The part-time programme of study will be decided in consultation with the Degree Programme Director.

## **2. Assessment methods**

Details of the assessment pattern for each module are explained in the module outlines.