

LOCAL QUALIFICATION DESCRIPTOR

Filosofie kandidatexamen med huvudområdet internationella relationer
Degree of Bachelor of Science with a major in International Relations

1. Confirmation

A qualification descriptor for *Filosofie kandidatexamen med huvudområdet internationella relationer* at the University of Gothenburg was confirmed by the Faculty Board of Social Sciences on 30-03-2007, revised 14-06-2012 and 09-10-2014. The latest revision was confirmed by the Faculty Board of Social Sciences on 27-01-2022.

2. Qualitative targets

2.1 National outcomes

National outcomes for the degree concerned; see Annex 2 of the Higher Education Ordinance.

2.2 Local outcomes

None.

3. General scope of Degree of Bachelor

3.1 National rules pursuant to the Higher Education Ordinance

A Degree of Bachelor is awarded after the student has completed the courses required to gain 180 credits in a defined specialisation determined by each higher education institution itself, of which 90 credits are for progressively specialised study in the principal field (main field of study) of the study programme. A requirement for the award of a Degree of Bachelor is completion by the student of an independent project (degree project) of at least 15 credit sin the main field of study for the programme.

3.2 Local rules at the University of Gothenburg

A Degree of Bachelor should essentially include first-cycle courses, but may also include second-cycle courses if these are considered appropriate based on the requirements laid down in the qualification descriptors.

4. Scope of Filosofie kandidatexamen med huvudområdet internationella relationer

4.1 Scope

180 credits are required for this qualification, of which 90 credits should be in the main field of study. At least 15 of these 90 credits are to comprise an independent project (degree project).

4.2 Courses in the main field of study

Degree of Bachelor of Science with a major in International Relations includes core courses in international relations of 30 higher education credits, advanced courses in international relations of 30 higher education credits, method course of 15 higher education credits, an independent project (degree project) in international relations of 15 higher education credits.

Courses in the main field of study are met by courses or corresponding specified in appendix 1.

4.2 Courses outside the main field of study

In addition to the main field of study, any subject combination is required (within or outside the main area), up to 180 higher education credits.

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Appendix 1:

Courses in the main field of study

Courses (level 0-30 higher education credits)

Obligatory

IR1121 – Introduction to International Relations, 15 högskolepoäng

IR1122 – Problems and Issues in International Relations, 15 högskolepoäng

or

IR1111 – Introduction to International Relations, 15 högskolepoäng

IR1112 – Conflicts in the Global Order, 15 högskolepoäng

Courses (level 31-60 higher education credits)

Obligatory

IR1221 – War, Peace and Security, 15 högskolepoäng

IR1222 – Global Political Economy, 15 högskolepoäng

or

IR1211 – Domination, Hegemony and the Global Order, 15 högskolepoäng

IR1212 - Security and Conflicts in a Changing World, 15 högskolepoäng

Courses (level 61-90 higher education credits)

Obligatory

GS1311 - Methodology in Global Studies, 15 högskolepoäng

IR1511 - International relations: Thesis, 15 högskolepoäng

