

Bachelor of Politics and International

Relations/Bachelor of Commerce (147JA.2)

Please note these are the 2019 details for this course

Domestic students

Selection rank	
Delivery mode	On campus
Location	UC Canberra - Bruce Campus
Duration	4.0 years
Faculty	Faculty of Business, Government & Law
Discipline	Canberra Business School Canberra School of Politics, Economics and Society
UAC code	
English language requirements	An IELTS Academic score of 6.0 overall, with no band score below 6.0 (or equivalent).

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International students

Academic entry requirements

To study at UC, you'll need to meet our academic entry requirements and any admission requirements specific to your course. Please read your course admission requirements below. To find out whether you

meet UC's academic entry requirements, visit our academic entry requirements page.

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Discipline	Canberra Business School Canberra School of Politics, Economics and Society
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About this course

This course provides students with an in-depth understanding of the exciting disciplines of politics and international relations and commerce. Students will learn about the workings of political institutions in countries around the world and explore the complex field of relations between nations. Topics in governance, public policy, public administration, national security, border control and commerce ensure that students receive a broad and current education in the range of issues which are covered under the label of politics and international relations and commerce. Commerce graduates are business professionals who have the commercial and analytical skills required by today's global business environment. Study a range of theoretical and practical units relevant to business both in Australia and overseas. A flexible course structure allows you to create a study program that suits you and your career interests. Beyond your studies in the key commerce fields, a variety of major/minor combinations are available, including economics, marketing, international business and entrepreneurship. Bachelor of Commerce students specialise in one of the following areas: Accounting, Banking & Financial Services, Business Administration, Economics, Financial Planning, Human Resource Management, Information Systems, International Business, Marketing Management, Public Sector Management, or Tourism Management. In addition to acquiring specialist knowledge and competencies in Politics and International Relations and Commerce, students will graduate with a range of generic skills such as critical thinking, enhanced communication abilities, problem solving and strong capacities to work with others. They will also develop ethically based and socially responsible attitudes and behaviours.

Professional accreditation

For the Bachelor of Commerce: This course is accredited by CPA Australia and the Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand (CAANZ). The Financial Planning major is accredited by the Financial Planning Association of Australia (FPA).

Admission requirements

Normal UC requirements for admission to an undergraduate course.

Additional admission requirements

Refer to individual courses.

Assumed knowledge

Refer to individual courses.

Periods course is open for new admissions

This course is not open for new admissions.

Credit arrangements

There are currently no formal credit transfer arrangements for entry to this course. Any previous study or work experience will only be considered as part of the application process in accordance with current course rules and university policy.

Course requirements

Bachelor of Politics and International Relations/Bachelor of Commerce (147JA) | 96 credit points

Required - 60 credit points as follows

Expand All | Collapse All

Politics and International Relations - 42 credit points as follows

Required Units - Must pass 6 credit points as follows

Politics and Democracy (675) | 3 credit points - Level 1

Introduction to Politics and Government (8296) | 3 credit points - Level 1

Major in Politics and International Relations (Restricted) (MJ0189) | 24 credit points

Required - Must pass 15 credit points as follows

Identity Politics and Public Policy (7072) | 3 credit points — Level 3

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National Security (8246) | 3 credit points — Level 2 
International Relations (8295) | 3 credit points — Level 2 
Politics and Security in the Asia-Pacific (8297) | 3 credit points — Level 3
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Restricted Choice - Must pass 9 credit points from the following

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Public Sector Management (7083) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Sociology of Technology and Work (7087) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Global Challenges in Governance (7533) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Social Policy: Government, Wealth and Welfare (7534) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Governance for Environmental Sustainability (7778) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Public Policy in Theory and Practice (8785) | 3 credit points — Level 3
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Minor in Business and Government Foundation (MN0144) | 12 credit points

Restricted Choice - 9 credit points as follows

Part B - Must pass 3 credit points from the following

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Government-Business Relations (6606) \mid 3 credit points — Level 1 
Introduction to Politics and Government (8296) \mid 3 credit points — Level 1
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Note:

 From 2018 students should take unit 8296 Introduction to Politics & Government instead of unit 6606. Students who are already required to take 8296 in their course may select an Open Elective instead.

Part C - Must pass 3 credit points from the following

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Sociology of Technology and Work (7087) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Governance for Environmental Sustainability (7778) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Business and Government Internship (8036) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Civil Society: Politics and Policy (8716) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Public Policy in Theory and Practice (8785) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Climate Change and Sustainable Business Futures (9469) | 3 credit points — Level 2
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Part A - Must pass 3 credit points from the following

Business Statistics (5123) | 3 credit points — Level 1

Problem Evaluation and Resolution (8730) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Business Research Methods (9522) | 3 credit points — Level 1

Note:

- 1. Unit 8730 Problem Evaluation and Resolution was replaced by unit 5123 Business
 Statistics or 9522 Business Research Methods from 2016.
- 2. Students enrolled in the Bachelor of Commerce at Bruce campus not undertaking an Accounting, Banking & Finance or Financial Planning major can substitute 5123 with 9522 Business Research Methods

Required - Must pass 3 credit points as follows

Problem Analysis and Statistics (8732) | 3 credit points — Level 1

Commerce - 18 credit points as follows

Required Units - Must pass 6 credit points as follows

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Introduction to Business Law (4977) | 3 credit points — Level 1
Introduction to International Business (6356) | 3 credit points — Level 1
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Minor in Business Foundation (MN0145) | 12 credit points

Restricted Choice - 12 credit points as follows

Part A - Must pass 3 credit points from the following

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Introduction to Management (4207) | 3 credit points — Level 1

Principles of Management (9525) | 3 credit points — Level 2
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Part B - Must pass 3 credit points from the following

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Accounting for Managers (5617) \mid 3 credit points — Level 1 Foundations of Financial Accounting (9516) \mid 3 credit points — Level 1 Business Decision Making (11009) \mid 3 credit points — Level 1
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Note:

From Semester 1 2018 unit 5617 Accounting for Managers is no longer offered.
 Students complete unit 11009 Business Decision Making instead.

Part C - Must pass 3 credit points from the following

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Introduction to Economics (6355) | 3 credit points — Level 1

Foundations of Microeconomics (9518) | 3 credit points — Level 1
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Part D - Must pass 3 credit points from the following

Introduction to Marketing (6357) | 3 credit points — Level 1
Foundations of Marketing (9521) | 3 credit points — Level 1

Note:

From Semester 1 2018 students not completing the major in Marketing, Marketing
 Management or Business Administration, may choose to complete an Open Elective
 unit in lieu of 6357 Intro to Marketing.

Note:

 Commerce students seeking accreditation by professional Accounting bodies or the Financial Planning Assoc must pass Intro to Economics & (Accounting for Managers or Business Decision Making).

Restricted Choice - 30 credit points as follows

Politics and International Relations - Must pass 3 credit points from the following

Violence, the Nation-State and Terrorism (6603) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Governance for Environmental Sustainability (7778) | 3 credit points — Level 2

The Challenge of Modern Terrorism (8724) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Commerce - 27 credit points as follows

Part A - Must select 1 of the following

Major in Banking & Financial Services (Restricted) (MJ0012) | 24 credit points

Required - Must pass 24 credit points as follows

Investments (6378) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Financial Institutions and Markets (6386) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Business Finance (6392) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Credit and Lending Decisions (6402) | 3 credit points — Level 3

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International Financial Management (6409) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Managing Financial Services Firms (6412) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Law of Financial Institutions and Services (7041) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Strategic Management (7371) | 3 credit points — Level 3
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Major in Financial Planning (Restricted) (MJ0041) | 24 credit points

Required - Must pass 15 credit points as follows

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Investments (6378) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Financial Institutions and Markets (6386) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Business Finance (6392) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Revenue Law (6417) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Strategic Management (7371) | 3 credit points — Level 3
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Restricted Choice - 9 credit points as follows

Part A - Must pass 3 credit points from the following

Financial Plans & Risk Management (9986) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Part B - Must pass 3 credit points from the following

Introduction to Personal Financial Planning (9987) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Part C - Must pass 3 credit points from the following

Superannuation, Retirement and Estate Planning (9988) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Major in Tourism Management (MJ0123) | 24 credit points

Required - Must pass 21 credit points as follows

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Service Industry Project Scheme (7144) \mid 3 credit points — Level 3 
Tourism and the World Economy (8052) \mid 3 credit points — Level 2 
Tourism Policy (8053) \mid 3 credit points — Level 3 
Tourism and Communication (8731) \mid 3 credit points — Level 2
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Restricted Choice - Must pass 3 credit points from the following

Major in Business Administration (MJ0135) | 24 credit points

Required - Must pass 24 credit points as follows

```
Entrepreneurship (6349) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Managing Human Resources (6354) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Introduction to International Business (6356) | 3 credit points — Level 1

Services Marketing (6366) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Business Ethics (6397) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Leadership, Innovation and Change (7075) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Strategic Management (7371) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Organisational Behaviour (7878) | 3 credit points — Level 2
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Major in Accounting (Restricted) (24cp) (MJ0191) | 24 credit points

Required - Must pass 24 credit points as follows

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Information Systems in Organisations (6348) | 3 credit points — Level 1
Accounting Systems and Practices (6360) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Management Accounting (6375) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Company Accounting (6391) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Business Finance (6392) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Advanced Management Accounting (6395) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Auditing (6398) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Contemporary Issues in Accounting (6399) | 3 credit points — Level 3
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Major in International Business (Restricted) (MJ0067) | 24 credit points

Required - Must pass 12 credit points as follows

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Introduction to International Business (6356) | 3 credit points — Level 1 Global e-Business (6363) | 3 credit points — Level 2 Asia Pacific Business (6393) | 3 credit points — Level 2
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Restricted Choice - Must pass 12 credit points from the following

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Entrepreneurship (6349) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Project Evaluation and Management (6353) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Internet Marketing (6379) | 3 credit points — Level 2

International Marketing (6380) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Environmental and Resource Economics (6405) | 3 credit points — Level 3

International Financial Management (6409) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Managing Financial Services Firms (6412) | 3 credit points — Level 3

International Exchange (9cp) (6844) | 9 credit points — Level 3

International Exchange (12cp) (6845) | 12 credit points — Level 3

International Exchange (3cp) (7643) | 3 credit points — Level 3

International Exchange (6cp) (7645) | 6 credit points — Level 3

Global Entrepreneurship (7934) | 3 credit points — Level 3

International Workplace Relations (8034) | 3 credit points — Level 3
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Major in Marketing Management (Restricted) (MJ0088) | 24 credit points

Required - Must pass 21 credit points as follows

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Services Marketing (6366) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Marketing Management and Planning (6371) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Marketing Research Methods (6372) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Internet Marketing (6379) | 3 credit points — Level 2

International Marketing (6380) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Consumer Behaviour (6390) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Marketing Research Project (6413) | 3 credit points — Level 3
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Restricted Choice - Must pass 3 credit points from the following

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Entrepreneurship (6349) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Creativity (6350) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Project Evaluation and Management (6353) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Strategic Management (7371) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Business and Government Internship (8036) | 3 credit points — Level 3
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Major in Human Resource Management (Restricted) (MJ0052) | 24 credit points

Required - Must pass 21 credit points as follows

```
Managing Pay and Performance (6370) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Industrial Relations (6384) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Developing Human Resources (6403) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Strategic Management (7371) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Organisational Behaviour (7878) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Employment Law (7906) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Workforce Planning (7998) | 3 credit points — Level 3
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Restricted Choice - Must pass 3 credit points from the following

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Managing Human Resources (6354) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Human Resource Economics (6385) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Business Ethics (6397) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Leadership, Innovation and Change (7075) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Organisational Performance (7079) | 3 credit points — Level 2

International Workplace Relations (8034) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Business and Government Internship (8036) | 3 credit points — Level 3
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Note:

Students in Bachelor of Human Resource Management courses must select 6354
 Managing Human Resources as their Restricted Choice unit.

Major in Public Sector Management (MJ0190) | 24 credit points

Required - Must pass 12 credit points as follows

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Organisational Performance (7079) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Public Sector Management (7083) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Global Challenges in Governance (7533) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Organisational Behaviour (7878) | 3 credit points — Level 2
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Restricted Choice - Must pass 12 credit points from the following

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Introduction to Management (4207) \mid 3 credit points — Level 1 
Project Evaluation and Management (6353) \mid 3 credit points — Level 3 
Managing Human Resources (6354) \mid 3 credit points — Level 2
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Diversity and Organisations (7059) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Leadership, Innovation and Change (7075) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Sociology of Technology and Work (7087) | 3 credit points — Level 2

National Security (8246) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Civil Society: Politics and Policy (8716) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Public Policy in Theory and Practice (8785) | 3 credit points — Level 3
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Major in Economics (Restricted) (MJ0037) | 24 credit points

Required - Must pass 21 credit points as follows

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Intermediate Microeconomics (6382) \mid 3 credit points — Level 2 Intermediate Macroeconomics (6383) \mid 3 credit points — Level 2 International Economics (6408) \mid 3 credit points — Level 3
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Restricted Choice - Must pass 3 credit points from the following

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Project Evaluation and Management (6353) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Managerial Economics (6376) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Human Resource Economics (6385) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Economics of the Public Sector (6404) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Environmental and Resource Economics (6405) | 3 credit points — Level 3
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Part B - Must pass 3 credit points from the following

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Business Ethics (6397) | 3 credit points — Level 3
Indigenous Australia: Contemporary Issues (6878) | 3 credit points — Level 2
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• Or an Open Elective from anywhere in the University.

Open Electives - 6 credit points as follows

- Unit Levels: In selecting electives students should note that no more than 30 credit points at Level 1 is permitted for the entire course.

Note:

Note:

• Must pass 6 credit points from anywhere in the University.

In addition to course requirements, in order to successfully complete your course you must meet the inherent requirements. Please refer to the inherent requirements statement applicable to your course

Typical study pattern

UC - Canberra, Bruce

Standard Full Time, Semester 1 Commencing (2015)

Year 1
Semester 1
Accounting for Managers (5617)
Government-Business Relations (6606)
Introduction to Economics (6355)
Politics and Democracy (675)
Semester 2
Introduction to Management (4207)
Introduction to Marketing (6357)
Introduction to Politics and Government (8296)
Problem Analysis and Statistics (8732)
Year 2
Semester 1
Problem Evaluation and Resolution (8730)
MJ0189 Restricted Choice Unit
Commerce Major Unit
Semester 2
International Relations (8295)
Introduction to Business Law (4977)
Introduction to International Business (6356)
Commerce Major Unit
Year 3

Semester 1

Politics and Security in the Asia-Pacific (8297)

Two Commerce Major Units

Semester 2

Two Commerce Major Units

MJ0189 Restricted Choice Unit

National Security (8246)

Year 4

Semester 1

Open Elective Unit

MJ0189 Restricted Choice Unit

Commerce Major Unit

Semester 2

MN0144 Restricted Choice Unit

Identity Politics and Public Policy (7072)

MN0144 Restricted Choice Part B Unit

Open Elective Unit

Commerce Major Unit

Standard Full Time, Semester 1 Commencing (2016)

Year 1

Semester 1

Accounting for Managers (5617)

Foundations of Professional Planning (9799)

Introduction to Economics (6355)

Politics and Democracy (675)

Semester 2

Business Statistics (5123)

Introduction to Management (4207)

Introduction to Marketing (6357)

Introduction to Politics and Government (8296)

Year 2

Semester 1

Government-Business Relations (6606)

Commerce Major Unit

MJ0189 Restricted Choice Unit

Semester 2

International Relations (8295)

Commerce Major Unit

Introduction to Business Law (4977)

Introduction to International Business (6356)

Year 3

Semester 1

Politics and Security in the Asia-Pacific (8297)

Two Commerce Major Units

Semester 2

MJ0189 Restricted Choice Unit

National Security (8246)

Two Commerce Major Units

Year 4

Semester 1

Commerce Major Unit

Two Open Elective Units

MJ0189 Restricted Choice Unit

Semester 2

Identity Politics and Public Policy (7072)

Open Elective Unit

Commerce Major Unit

Minor in Business & Government Foundation (ISA) Restricted Choice Unit

Course information

Course duration

Standard eight semesters full-time or equivalent. Maximum twenty semesters.

Learning outcomes

Learning outcomes Related graduate attributes Provide an understanding of political institutions and processes and how Students will develop analysis.

they operate including, at the national level, institutions and processes and now politics, governance and policy, national security and border control; and at the international level, foreign policy, international institutions and the implications of globalisation and post-globalisation.

Students will develop analytical and critical capacities as they engage with the complex issues relating to politics and international relations.

Students will develop information literacy and numeracy and their competencies in the use of information as they engage wit the disciplinary perspectives and characteristic methods of enquiry of Politics and International Relations studies.

Students will engage with complex ethical and political questions, strategic thinking, and problem solving as they study processes in politics and international relations.

Students will learn to express knowledge, ideas and opinions in politics and international relations, both orally and in written form with confidence and clarity.

Students will be able to select and use appropriate information and communication technology to retrieve, manipulate and present information.

3. Students will develop a deeper understanding of the workings of the economy.

Analysis and inquiry: ability to gather information, analyse and evaluate information and situations in a systematic, creative and insightful way

To provide an in-depth understanding of politics and international relations paying attention to both the historical and contemporary context.

Students will develop analytical and critical capacities as they engage with the complex issues relating to

politics and international relations.

Students will develop an understanding of and competence in a range of politics and international relations research methods and analytical techniques and the ability to apply these to research tasks. Students will develop generic skills and attributes that will equip students for success in professional life including critical thinking and professional ethics.

Students will develop information literacy and numeracy as they develop basic competency in a range of politics and international relations research methods.

Students will develop an appreciation of research ethics and related questions of social responsibility.

Students will develop problem solving skills and develop their capacity to work with others to create effective workplace relations.

Students will develop as independent self-directed learners with the capacity and motivation for life-long learning and obtain personal attributes that will allow them to be independent thinkers and agents for change.

Students will be confident in themselves and their own skills and knowledge.

7. Students will be able to interpret economic information and confidently analyse economic data and provide advice to various stakeholders.

Analysis and inquiry: ability to gather information, analyse and evaluate information and situations in a systematic, creative and insightful way

Professionalism and social responsibility: capacity and intention to use professional knowledge and skills ethically and responsibly, for the benefits of others and the environment.

Provide an advanced understanding of the disciplinary perspectives of politics and international relations.

Students will be encouraged to develop innovative solutions to problems facing society as they consider, for example, ethical and policy issues relating to politics in an international context.

Students will learn to appreciate the values that

underpin relations between states and the democratic and non-democratic systems that underpin these.

Students will be able to present arguments and ideas effectively and have the capacity to analyse and assess these arguments.

1. The degree provides students with a strong core of knowledge in economic theory.

2. Students will learn to apply economic theory in the analysis of a widearray of problems and real life situations. Problem solving: ability to apply problem-solving processes in novel situations; identify, analyse problems then formulate, implement solutions

4. Students will understand how different economic agents (such as consumers and producers) interact in the market and how government intervention affects their behaviour.

5. Students will develop the skills to write economic reports (individually or in groups) and communicate their ideas (and findings) through oral presentations.

Communication: ability to present knowledge, ideas and opinions effectively and communicate within and across professional and cultural boundaries

6. Students will develop the skills to identify economic problems and apply critical thinking to find and evaluate solutions.

Problem solving: ability to apply problem-solving processes in novel situations; identify, analyse problems then formulate, implement solutions

Working independently and with others:

ability to plan own work, be self-directed, use interpersonal skills and attitudes to work collaboratively

Majors

- Major in Politics and International Relations (Restricted) (MJ0189)
- Minor in Business and Government Foundation (MN0144)
- Minor in Business Foundation (MN0145)
- Major in Marketing Management (Restricted) (MJ0088)

- Major in Human Resource Management (Restricted) (MJ0052)
- Major in International Business (Restricted) (MJ0067)
- Major in Business Administration (MJ0135)
- Major in Economics (Restricted) (MJ0037)
- Major in Public Sector Management (MJ0190)
- Major in Tourism Management (MJ0123)
- Major in Accounting (Restricted) (24cp) (MJ0191)
- Major in Banking & Financial Services (Restricted) (MJ0012)
- Major in Financial Planning (Restricted) (MJ0041)

Awards

Award	Official abbreviation
Bachelor of Commerce	BCom
Bachelor of Politics and International Relations	B Politics&IntlRel

Honours

High performing students may be eligible to enrol in the Bachelor of Philosophy (Honours) course.

Enquiries

Student category	Contact details
Prospective Domestic Students	Email study@canberra.edu.au or Phone 1800 UNI CAN (1800 864 226)
Prospective International Students	Email international@canberra.edu.au or Phone +61 2 6201 5342
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UC acknowledges the Ngunnawal people, traditional custodians of the lands where Bruce campus is situated. We wish to acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and the contribution they make to the life of Canberra and the region. We also acknowledge all other First Nations Peoples on whose lands we gather.