The Degree of Master of International Relations and Diplomacy (MIRAD – 180 points)

These regulations must be read in conjunction with the General Regulations for the University.

1. Version

(a) These Regulations came into force on 1 January 2018.
(b) This degree was first offered in 2017.

2. Variations

In exceptional circumstances the Amo Matua, Toi Tangata | Executive Dean of Arts or delegate may approve a personal programme of study which does not conform to these Regulations.

3. The structure of the qualification

To qualify for the Master of International Relations and Diplomacy a student must be credited with a total of 180 points including:

(a) POLS441 (30 points); and
(b) 60 points from Schedule E Group 1 to the degree; and
(c) 30 points from Schedule E Group 2 to the degree; and
(d) POLS688 (60 points).

A student may, with the approval of the Programme Director, be permitted to replace up to 30 points of coursework with a relevant and appropriate course or courses not listed on the MIRAD Schedule.

4. Admission to the qualification

To be admitted to the Master of International Relations and Diplomacy a student must:

(a) either
  i. have qualified for a bachelor's degree, with a B Grade Point Average or better in 60 points of 300-level courses in the majoring subject; or
  ii. have qualified for a bachelor's degree and completed a qualifying course with a B Grade Point Average or better in 60 points of 300-level courses; or
  iii. have qualified for a bachelor's degree and provided evidence to the satisfaction of the Amo Matua, Toi Tangata | Executive Dean of Arts or delegate and Tumuaki Tari | Head of Department of relevant professional or other work experience, or
  iv. have been admitted with Academic Equivalent Standing; and
(b) been approved as a student for the degree by the Amo Matua, Toi Tangata | Executive Dean of Arts or delegate.

5. Subjects

The subject for this qualification is International Relations and Diplomacy.

6. Time limits

The time limits for this qualification are:

(a) The time limit for a full-time student is:
  i. a minimum of 12 months
  ii. a maximum of 18 months.
(b) The time limit for a part-time student is:
  i. a minimum of 24 months
  ii. a maximum of 36 months.

7. Transfers of credit, substitutions and cross-credits

This qualification adheres to the Credit Recognition and Transfer Regulations, with no additional stipulations.

8. Progression

This qualification adheres to the General Regulations for the University, with the following stipulations:

(a) A student who fails up to 30 points for the Master of International Relations and Diplomacy degree, may, with the permission of the Amo Matua, Toi Tangata | Executive Dean of Arts or delegate, repeat that course or courses, or substitute another course or courses of equal weight.
(b) A student who fails more than 30 points will be withdrawn from the qualification.

9. Honours, Distinction and Merit

This qualification adheres to the General Regulations for the University and may be awarded with distinction and merit.

10. Exit and Upgrade Pathways to other Qualifications

(a) There are no advancing qualifications for this degree.
(b) A student who has not met the requirements for the Master of International Relations and Diplomacy or who wishes to transfer to the Postgraduate Certificate in Arts, or the Postgraduate Diploma in Arts, or the Bachelor of Arts with Honours in Political Science and International Relations may apply to the Amo Matua, Toi Tangata | Executive Dean of Arts or delegate for admissions, provided that they meet the regulations for that qualification.

Schedule C: Compulsory Courses for the Degree of Master of International Relations and Diplomacy

For full course information, go to www.canterbury.ac.nz/courses

Course Code	Course Title	Pts	2024	Location	P/C/R/RP/EQ
POLS441	Principles and Practice of International Relations and Diplomacy	30	S1	Campus	P: Subject to approval of the Head of Department. R: ILAP614
POLS688	Dissertation	60	A	Campus	P: Subject to approval of the Head of Department.

Schedule E: Elective Courses for the Degree of Master of International Relations and Diplomacy

Group 1

Students take 60 points from:

Course Code	Course Title	Pts	2024	Location	P/C/R/RP/EQ
POLS444	International Human Rights	30	S2	Campus	P: Subject to approval of the Head of Department. R: POLS405, DIPL405, ILAP662, POLS420 and DIPL418 prior to 2014
POLS445	China's Emergence as a Global Great Power	30	S1	Campus	P: Subject to approval of the Head of Department. R: POLS406 and DIPL406
POLS446	Political Economy of Economic Growth and Development	30	S1	Campus	P: Subject to approval of the Head of Department. R: POLS407, DIPL407, ILAP671
POLS447	Islam and Politics: The Middle East, Southeast Asia, and the World	30	NO		P: Subject to approval of the Head of Department. R: POLS412

Group 2

Students take 30 points from:

Course Code	Course Title	Pts	2024	Location	P/C/R/RP/EQ
ARTS401	Arts Research and Scholarship: Introduction to Theories and Methods	30	S1	Campus	P: Permission of the Head of Department.
COMS420	Public Diplomacy	30	S2	Campus	P: Subject to approval of the Programme Coordinator. R: DIPL430, POLS430
EURO402	The EU in Europe and in the World: The EU's External Identities	15	NO		P: Subject to approval of the NCRE Director. R: EURO402 before 2014
EURO409	The EU and "Europeanisation" of Europe	15	S2	Campus	P: Subject to approval of the NCRE Director.
EURO457	European Foreign and Security Policy	15	S1	Campus	P: Subject to approval of the NCRE Director. R: EURO410, DIPL426 before 2014, DIPL420
EURO458	EU Development Policy	15	S1	Campus	P: Subject to approval of the NCRE Director. R: EURO410, DIPL426 before 2014, DIPL421
HIST443	Issues in New Zealand History	30	NO		P: Subject to approval of the Head of Department. R: DIPL429 EQ: DIPL429
HIST449	Issues in Modern European History	30	S2	Campus	P: Subject to approval of the Head of Department. R: HIST438, HIST448, EURO448, DIPL418, DIPL423, DIPL428 EQ: DIPL428, EURO448
ILAP604	International Criminal Law	15	S2	Campus	P: Subject to approval of the Programme Director. R: DIPL421 (before 2014), LAWS321
ILAP608	World Trade Law	15	S2	Campus	P: Subject to approval of the Programme Director. R: DIPL402 (before 2014), DIPL411, LAWS338
ILAP609	International Human Rights Law	15	NO		P: Subject to approval of the Programme Director. R: DIPL421 (before 2014), LAWS322
ILAP613	Advanced Principles of Public International Law	15	S1	Campus	P: Subject to approval of the Programme Director.
ILAP641	The Rights of Indigenous Peoples	15	S2	Campus	P: Subject to the approval of the Dean of Law R: LAWS358
PACE495	Professional and Community Engagement Internship	30	A	Campus	P: Special application and interview, and permission of the Internship Director. R: ARTS495 EQ: ARTS495
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			S1	Campus	
			S2	Campus	