

BA (Hons) Politics, Human Rights and International Relations – SH 356

1. Objectives

This course creates opportunities for students willing to explore key aspects of political science while developing an in-depth knowledge of human rights and international relations. Graduates will gather the required skills to work in the private and public sector; in NGOs dealing with human rights and in regional, national and international human rights institutions, including Commissions and Observatories.

2. General Entry Requirements

In accordance with the University General Entry Requirements for admission to undergraduate degree programmes.

3. Programme Requirements

A credit in English Language at Cambridge School Certificate / 'O' Level or equivalent.

2 GCE 'A' Level passes in 2 subjects.

4. Programme Duration

	Normal	Maximum
Degree	3 years	5 years

5. Minimum Credits Required for Degree Award – 102

Breakdown as follows:

	Core Modules	Electives	Dissertation or (Research Project + 1 Elective)
Degree	81	12	9 or (6 + 3)

6. Credits per Year

As per University Regulation

7. Assessment

Each module will be assessed over 100 marks with details as follows (unless otherwise specified):

Written examinations for all modules will be carried out at the end of the academic year except for semester modules (unless otherwise stated).

Continuous Assessment will be based on a compulsory written class test and assignments/or oral presentations. The continuous assessment will count for 30% of the overall percentage mark of the module(s), except for a Programme where the structure makes for other specific provision(s).

An overall total of 40% for combined continuous assessment and written examination components would be required to pass the module, without minimum thresholds within the individual continuous assessment and written examination. The same criterion will apply for modules being assessed jointly. Note that all overall mark for the two modules will be considered and not the individual marks for each of the two modules.

8. Submission Deadline for Dissertation / Research Project

Three copies of the dissertation (two spiral-bound copies and one soft copy in a single PDF text file on electronic storage media) should be submitted to the Faculty/Centre Registry and **in addition, a soft copy of the dissertation in a single PDF text file should be uploaded on the "*Turnitin* Platform", in the final assignment submission link indicated by the Programme/Project Coordinator.**

All of the above should be submitted not later than the last week day of March of the academic year by 4.00 p.m. at latest, unless specified otherwise in the Programme of Studies.

9. Programme Plan

YEAR 1 (39 Credits for Core Modules + 3 Credit Elective = 42 Credits)

Code	Module Name	Hrs/Wk L+P	Credits
Core Modules			
POLI 1103(1)	Core Concepts in Political Science ¹	3+0	3
IREL 1002Y(1)	Foundations of Human Rights	3+0	6
IREL 1001Y(1)	Theories and Concepts of International Relations	3+0	6
HIST 1004Y(1)	International History since the end of the 19th Century	3+ 0	6
POLI 1003Y(1)	Political History of Mauritius: From Early Origins to Modern Times	3+0	6
ECON1012Y(1)	Introduction to Economic Theory	3+0	6
ENG 1011Y(1)	Communication Skills in English	3+0	6
Electives : Choose any one module amounting to 3 credits from the list below			
IREL1203(1)	Gender and Human Rights ²	3+0	3
IREL1104(1)	Freedom of Religion or Belief ¹	3+0	3
IREL 1205(1)	Debates in Globalization ²	3+0	3
	Foreign Languages I	1½+0	3
	Any other electives offered by the Department		

YEAR 2 (24 Credits for Core Modules + 6 Credit Electives = 30 Credits)

Code	Module Name	Hrs/Wk L+P	Credits
Core Modules			
IREL 2001Y(3)	Public International Law	3+0	6
IREL 2202(3)	Human Rights Institutions ²	3+0	3
PADM 2103(2)	The Ethics of Public Service ¹	3+0	3
POLI 2007Y(3)	Comparative Government and Politics	3+0	6
POLI 2009(3)	Mauritian Government and Politics ¹	3+0	3
POLI 2107(3)	Research Methods and Data Analysis ¹	3+0	3
Electives – Choose any two modules amounting to 6 credits from the list below			
IREL2203(3)	The Politics of Migration ²	3+0	3
POLI 2204(3)	Democracy and Democratisation ²	3+0	3
IREL 2103(3)	Contemporary Maritime Security Issues ¹	3+0	3
HIST 2214(3)	Contemporary India - History, Politics and Society ²	3+0	3
HIST 2119(3)	Contemporary China - History, Politics and Society ¹	3+0	3
IREL 2105(3)	Environment and Human Rights ¹	3+0	3
POLI 2106(3)	Introduction to Kinship and Political Anthropology ²	3+0	3
	Foreign Languages II	1½+0	3
	Any other electives offered by the Department		

YEAR 3 (18 Credits for Core Modules + One 3 Credit Elective and 9 Credit Dissertation OR 18 Credits for Core Modules+ 6 Credit Research Project + Two 3 Credit Electives = 30 Credits)

Code	Module Name	Hrs/Wk L+P	Credits
Core Modules			
IREL 3004Y(5)	Human Rights Issues in International Relations	3+0	6
IREL 3007 Y(5)	Security in International Relations	3+0	6
POLI 3002Y(5)	African Politics	3+0	6
TO CHOOSE EITHER DISSERTATION OR RESEARCH PROJECT + ONE ELECTIVE OFFERED BY THE DEPARTMENT			
POLI 3000(5)	Dissertation	-	9
POLI 3016Y(5)RP	Research Project	-	6
List of Electives Offered			
IREL 3203(5)	Transitional Justice ²	3+0	3
IREL 3106(5)	International Commercial Arbitration ¹	3+0	3
POLI 3105(5)	Electoral Systems and Voting ²	3+0	3
HIST 3113(5)	Contemporary Mauritius – Cultural Diversity, Institutions and Society ¹	3+0	3
PADM 3103(5)	Policy Advocacy ¹	3+0	3
	Foreign Languages III	1½+0	3
	Any other electives offered by the Department		

Notes:

- a) 1 – Module taught and examined in Semester 1
- b) 2 – Module taught and examined in Semester 2
- c) Offering of electives would be subject to the availability of resources and critical mass.

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