**American University of Central Asia**

**International and Comparative Politics Department**

CHECKLIST for ADMITS 2025

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| **General Education Courses** |
| **Course Name** | **Course abbr.** | **Course ID** | **Credits** | **Semester** | **Prerequi****sites** | **Comments** |
| **Academic Orientation program:** August 12 - 23, 2024 |  |  | 2\* |  |  | Outside of 240 cr. |
|  First Year Seminar I |  |  | 4 |  |  |  |
|  First Year Seminar II |  |  | 4 |  |  |  |
|  Introduction to Philosophy I (part of FYS) |  |  | 2 |  |  |  |
|  Introduction to Philosophy II (part of FYS) |  |  | 2 |  |  |  |
|  English Composition I |  |  | 6 |  |  |  |
|  English Composition II |  |  | 6 |  |  |  |
|  Kyrgyz Language and Literature I |  |  | 4 |  |  |  |
|  Kyrgyz Language and Literature II |  |  | 4 |  |  |  |
|  Russian Language I |  |  | 2 |  |  |  |
|  Russian Language II |  |  | 2 |  |  |  |
|  History of Kyrgyzstan |  |  | 4 |  |  |  |
|  Geography of Kyrgyzstan |  |  | 2 |  |  |  |
|  Manas Studies |  |  | 2 |  |  |  |
|  Mathematics and Quantitative Reasoning  |  |  | 6 |  |  |  |
|  Natural Sciences/Second Year Seminar\*\* |  |  | 6 |  |  |  |
|  Arts/Second Year Seminar\*\* |  |  | 12 |  |  |  |
|  Humanities/Second Year Seminar\*\* |  |  | 12 |  |  |  |
|  Social Sciences/Second Year Seminar\*\* |  |  | 12\* |  |  | \*6 credits – Intro to Political Science |
|  Sports |  |  | 400 hours / 0 credits |  |  |  |
|  **Total credits** |  |  | **92** [2] **credits** |  |  |  |
| **\***Credits earned for the Academic Orientation program are not included into 240 credits for graduation. \*\*All students in their 2nd year must take one Second Year Seminar. This seminar substitutes for one required 6-credit course in either Humanities, Social Sciences, Arts or Natural Science.\*\*\*One 6-credit course in Major requirements could be counted towards General Education requirements. |

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| **ICP Major Requirements** |
| **Required Courses – 54 credits**  |
| **Course Name** | **Course** **abbr.** | **Course** **ID** | **Credits** | **Semester** | **Prerequi****sites** | **Comments** |
| Introduction to Political Science | ICP 101.1 | 5667 | 6\* | 1 |  | \*Double counted towards Social Sciences requirement in the General Education |
| Introduction to Comparative Politics | ICP 131 | 3003 | 6 | 2 |  |  |
| Introduction to International Relations | ICP 110.1 | 3118 | 6 | 3 |  |  |
| Introduction to Political Theory | ICP 280.1 | 3115 | 6 | 3 |  |  |
| Introduction to Political Economy | ICP 270.2 | 3219 | 6 | 4 |  |  |
| Central Asian Politics | ICP 240.2 | 3269 | 6 | 4 | ICP 101.1/ICP 131 |  |
| Research Methods in Political Science | ICP 302 | 5745 | 6 | 5 | ICP 101.1/ICP 131 |  |
| Foreign Policy Analysis | ICP 318.2 | 3320 | 6 | 5 | ICP 101.1/ ICP 131/ICP 110.1 |  |
| Quantitative Research Methods | ICP 331 | 5746 | 6 | 6 | ICP 302 |  |
|  **Elective Courses – 24 credits** |
| **Course Name** | **Course** **abbr.** | **Course** **ID** | **Credits** | **Semester** | **Prerequi****sites** | **Comments** |
| 1 (one) ICP elective course at 200 level |  |  | 6 | 3 or 4 |  |  |
| 2 (two) ICP elective courses at 300 level |  |  | 12 | 5 and 6 |  |  |
| 1(one) ICP elective course at 400 level |  |  | 6 | 7 or 8 |  |  |
| **Senior Thesis Seminar – 12 credits** |
|  Senior Thesis I | ICP 404 | 3716 | 6 | 7 | ICP 101.1/ICP 131 |  |
|  Senior Thesis II | ICP 406 | 3733 | 6 | 8 | ICP 404  |  |
| **Total (Major requirements, Electives in Major, Senior Thesis): 54 + 24+ 12 = 90 credits**  |
| **Other Elective Courses – 64 credits** 64 credits required in total: at least 18 credits should be taken outside of the major. |
| **Internship – 15 credits (on the top of 240 credits)** |
| Internship I | ICP 390.1 | 3550 | 6 | Summer Sophomore | --- | Pass/Non-pass |
| Internship II | ICP 391.1 | 3559 | 9 | Summer Junior | ICP 390.1 | Pass/Non-pass |
|  **Total Credits** | **240 + 15** |

**Order of study for 2025 admits**

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|  **Academic Orientation Program [2 credits]** |
| **1st semester (30 credits)** | **2nd semester (30 credits)** |
| Introduction to Political Science | 6 | Introduction to Comparative Politics | 6 |
| First Year Seminar I  | 4 | First Year Seminar II  | 4 |
| Introduction to Philosophy I (part of FYS) | 2 | Introduction to Philosophy II (part of FYS) | 2 |
| English Composition I  | 6 | English Composition II  | 6 |
| Kyrgyz Language and Literature I  | 4 | Kyrgyz Language and Literature II | 4 |
| Russian Language I  | 2 | Russian Language II  | 2 |
| Arts  | 6 | Mathematics and Quantitative Reasoning | 6 |
| Sports (100 hour) | 0 | Sports (100 hour)  | 0 |
| **3rd semester (30 credits)** | **4th semester (32 credits)** |
| Introduction to International Relations | 6 | Introduction to Political Economy | 6 |
| Introduction to Political Theory | 6 | Central Asian Politics | 6 |
| History of Kyrgyzstan  | 4 | 1 (one) ICP elective course at 200-level | 6 |
| Geography of Kyrgyzstan  | 2 | Manas Studies  | 2 |
| Arts/Second Year Seminar  | 6 | Natural Sciences/Second Year Seminar (NS)  | 6 |
| Humanities/Second Year Seminar   | 6 | Social Sciences/Second Year Seminar*Student has to choose from the following list of Majors:* Anthropology, Economics, European Studies, IB Law, Psychology, Sociology and LAS Concentrations. | 6 |
| Sports (100 hour)  | 0 | Sports (100 hour)  | 0 |
| Internship I – By summer of Sophomore Year  | 6 |
| **5th semester (28 credits)** |  | **6th semester (30 credits)** |
|  Research Methods in Political Science | 6 |  Quantitative Research Methods  | 6 |
|  Foreign Policy Analysis | 6 |  1 (one) ICP elective course at 300-level | 6 |
|  1 (one) ICP elective course at 300-levelor Humanities/Second Year Seminar (HUM/SYS-II) | 6 |  Other Elective Courses | 18 |
|  Humanities | 6 |   |  |
|  Other Elective Course\*\*If there is no 4-credit course available, students can take a 6-credit course.  \* | 4 |   |  |
| Internship II – By summer of Junior Year  | 9 |
| **7th semester (30 credits)** | **8th semester (30 credits)** |
|  Senior Thesis I | 6 |  Senior Thesis II | 6 |
|  1 (one) ICP Elective Course at 400-level | 6 |  Other Elective Courses | 24 |
|  Other Elective Courses | 18 |   |  |

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| Graduation requirements:Earn at least 240 credits (+credit hours earned for program internships)Complete all general education requirementsComplete all requirements for at least one majorEarn no more than 102 credits of introductory (100-level) coursesComplete at least 18 elective credits outside of a student’s major and General Education programComplete the required number of internship credits (the number of credits is determined by each department)Pass all state graduation examinationsSuccessfully complete and defend a senior thesis/projectReceive no "F" or "N/P" grades in the final semesterTo earn an overall GPA of at least 2.0. |