**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-level  or  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 requirements  Complete all requirements for at least one major  Earn no more than 102 credits of introductory (100-level) courses  Complete at least 18 elective credits outside of a student’s major and General Education program  Complete the required number of internship credits (the number of credits is determined by each department)  Pass all state graduation examinations  Successfully complete and defend a senior thesis/project  Receive no "F" or "N/P" grades in the final semester To earn an overall GPA of at least 2.0. |