American University of Central Asia International and Comparative Politics Department CHECKLIST for ADMITS 2025

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] credit	s				

^{*}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.

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	T	T	T	T	ICP 101.1/			
Senior Thesis I	ICP 404	3716	6	7	ICP 101.17 ICP 131			
Senior Thesis II	ICP 406	3733	6	8	ICP 404			
Total (Major requirements, Electives in	n Major, Se	nior The	sis):	5	4 + 24 + 12 = 9	90 credits		
Other Elective Courses – 64 credits	15 1 111	. 1	1	2.1				
64 credits required in total: at least 18 cre	aits snoula t	se taken o	utside of	the major.				
Internship – 15 credits (on the top of 24	40 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

Academic Orientation P		m [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.		
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	6	Other Elective Courses	18	
Humanities	6			
Other Elective Course*	4			
*If there is no 4-credit course available, students can take a 6-credit course.				
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			

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.**