



American University of Central Asia

Department of International and Comparative Politics

Minor in International and Comparative Politics

The ICP department offers a minor in International and Comparative Politics for AUCA students from other departments who are interested in acquiring background knowledge on political science and international relations.

To declare a minor in ICP, students must get prior approval from the Chair of their Department and the Chair of the ICP Department.

To be eligible for minors, students must have a GPA score of 2.7 or higher and earn a minimum of 60 credits.

To earn a minor in International and Comparative Politics, students must complete at least 42 credits from the ICP department.

Only courses with a "C-" or higher grade will be counted towards fulfilling minor requirements.

The list of courses required for minor **(42 credits)**:

Mandatory for all students: (24 credits)

- ICP 101.1: Introduction to Political Science, six credits (Fall) (Recommended to Sophomores in Fall semester)
- ICP 130: Introduction to Comparative Politics, six credits (Spring) (Recommended to Sophomores in Spring semester)
- ICP 110.1: Introduction to International Relations, six credits (Fall) (Recommended to Juniors in Fall semester)
- ICP 240: Central Asian Politics, six credits (Spring) (Recommended to Juniors in Spring semester)

One of the following: (6 credits) (Recommended to Seniors)

- ICP 280: Introduction to Political Theory, six credits (Fall)
- ICP 270: Introduction to Political Economy, six credits (Spring)
- ICP 318: Foreign Policy Analysis, six credits (Fall)

Two ICP Elective Courses at any level **(12 credits)** (Recommended to Seniors)

As a part of the minor program, students must pass a state exam at the end of their senior year. The state exam consists of two essay questions on topics in International Relations and Central Asian Politics.

Suggested Study Plan:

Sophomores	1. ICP 101.1: Introduction to Political Science	1. ICP 130: Introduction to Comparative Politics
Juniors	1. ICP 110.1: Introduction to International Relations	1. ICP 240: Central Asian Politics
Seniors	1. One Optional Course 2. ICP Elective-1	1. ICP Elective-2