INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS &
THE GLOBAL ECONOMY

This major offers students rigorous interdisciplinary training at the intersection of international relations and economics. It prepares students for careers ranging from foreign policy and international development to international finance and political risk analysis. It is also ideally suited for students who plan to seek advanced degrees in the social sciences.

Opportunities for Students

- **Center for International Studies**: Established to promote advanced research and sustained discussion, CIS runs a program of frequent speakers and seminars on political and economic issues.

- **Economics Leadership Council**: The ELC is a network of alumni and professionals who strive to connect people in the Department of Economics and encourage academic excellence. They also coordinates social events, lectures, and guest speakers throughout the year to expose students to career opportunities.

- **Problems Without Passports**: Travel to Washington DC during the summer to study nuclear security and foreign policy regarding nonproliferation and weapons of mass destruction through USC Dornsife’s Problems Without Passports program.

- **Omicron Delta Epsilon**: ODE, which dates back to 1915, is one of the world’s largest and most prestigious academic honors societies. Its basic objective is to recognize and honor outstanding academic achievements in economics. It also works to promote closer ties between students and faculty and among colleges and universities around the globe.

Notable Courses

- **IR 327: International Negotiation** — A practical course designed to improve your negotiation skills. Ideas for diagnosing situations and identifying strategies, which you apply in case studies and personal exercises.

- **IR 331: The Global Economy 2030** — Examination of key ideas from economics, demography and technology. Guest lecturers illuminate possible conditions of the global economy in 2030.

- **IR 454: International Political Economy of Development** — Provides a critical introduction to scholarship on international political economy (IPE), the interaction of states and markets in a global context.

- **ECON 343: Economic Development of East Asia** — Contemporary economic problems of East Asian countries: management, labor, technology, trade, investment. Determinants of their high growth rates in the late 20th century.
Bachelor of Arts (BA) Requirements

Lower Division Course Requirements*
- ECON 203: Principles of Microeconomics
- ECON 205: Principles of Macroeconomics
- IR 210: International Relations — Introductory Analysis
- IR 213: The Global Economy
- MATH 118: Fundamental Principles of Calculus
  or MATH 125: Calculus I

Core Skills and Issues Requirements*
- ECON 305: Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory
- ECON 317: Introduction to Statistics for Economists
- IR 330: Politics of the World Economy
  or ECON 350: The World Economy

Electives: Select two from the following list**
- IR 324: Multinational Enterprises and World Politics
- IR 325: North-South Relations in the Global Economy
- IR 326: U.S. Foreign Economic Policy

Regional Study Requirement (select one)**
- ECON 342: Economic Development of the Middle East
- IR 364: The Political Economy of Latin American Development
- IR 439: Political Economy of Russia and Eurasia

Senior Emphasis Requirement (select one)**
- ECON 450: International Trade
- ECON 452: International Finance
- IR 430: The Politics of International Trade

*This information is offered as a partial overview only. For additional information, including all major requirements, please consult the USC Catalogue or http://dornsife.usc.edu/irge/. Updated as of August 2015.

**This does not represent all options in this category. For a complete list, please consult the USC Catalogue.