

Professional Certificate in Global Politics and International Relations

PCIR 1: Essentials of International Relations and Political Development



Understand the history, key concepts and theories of international relations



Learn analytical tools to critically evaluate some of the contemporary policy debates



Apply practical knowledge of pressing issues in international relations

Global health; human trafficking; climate change; international terrorism; cyber (in)security – the world in the 21st century is at a complex place. In many ways, our world is more interconnected than ever before and we need to be equipped to face a host of evolving challenges.

International Relations consider the role of not only of states but also a wide range of actors on the world's stage – from organisations to multinational corporations and from civil society groups to terrorist networks, different actors can influence policy, business and programme decisions in our spheres of influence and work.

This course provides a broad introduction to the main concepts and theories in the field of politics and international relations. Individuals will learn major theories of international relations and apply them to understand international situations and issues in the modern world. They will examine the global relations of states, power and organisations, to understand and develop solutions to global challenges and opportunities.

KEY TOPICS

- International Relations Theory
- Power and Politics
- Foreign Policy Analysis
- International Security

WHO SHOULD COME

- Individuals who wish to pursue a career in the private and public sector that requires knowledge of international affairs and trends to develop and implement better policies
- Individuals with roles in international relations, international affairs, political and economic analysis, negotiation and diplomacy

*This is one of three short courses within the Professional Certificate in Global Politics and International Relations (PCIR). It is not compulsory to attend all three PCIR short courses unless you are working towards a Professional Certificate.



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