



International Relations (INR)

On the Move!



INR Courses Presentation
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Our Champions

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Why Three New Courses?

1. Miami is a growing international city that should expand its horizons beyond looking to our south and to Europe.
2. One of our Core Values states:
“An international perspective that makes our students civically engaged and globally competitive.”
3. Discussions with Dr. Mohammad Homayounvash and the Jaffer Institute suggested new courses to our INR faculty.
4. The realities of the past 20 years have changed the world we live in. The discipline seeks currency.



The Courses

INR2XXX

Global Environmental Politics

INR2YYY

Introduction to Conflict and Peace
Studies

INR2ZZZ

Religion and Global Politics



Questions You are Thinking

Course	Course Type	Credits	Credentialing	Fees	Affected Programs
Global Environmental <u>INR2XXX</u>	Lecture Pure Elective	3cr	Same as Existing INR	None Needed	None
Conflict and Peace <u>INR2YYY</u>	Lecture Pure Elective	3cr	Same as Existing INR	None Needed	None
Religion and Politics <u>INR2ZZZ</u>	Lecture Pure Elective	3cr	Same as Existing INR	None Needed	None



Questions

Thank You



Details

INR Faculty Credentialing Statement:

“Master's degree in International Relations or an IR-designated subfield, such as Global Policy Studies or International Development”

or

“Master's degree with 18 graduate semester hours in International Relations specific courses”

Course Descriptions:

INR2XXX Global Environmental Politics is an interdisciplinary course exploring the evolving relationship between humanity and the environment from diverse conceptual, normative, and empirical perspectives. The course has no specific prerequisites and will appeal to a broad audience as it analyzes a broad spectrum of perspectives in the field. The course will explore the most pressing contemporary environmental challenges, including climate change, loss of biodiversity, desertification, trade in dangerous waste, and over-exploitation of natural resources as well as various political and policy responses to deal with them.

INR2YYY Introduction to Conflict Resolution and Peace Studies is an interdisciplinary course exploring foundational concepts, methodologies, and practical approaches to interstate and intra-state conflicts and how to tackle them. The course has no specific prerequisites and will appeal to a broad audience as it analyzes a broad spectrum of perspectives in the field of conflict and peace studies. By contextualizing the challenge and transmitting the knowledge of peace in normative, empirical and historical frameworks, the course will equip students with a multi-dimensional conceptual toolbox to analyze it while inspiring them to create a more equitable and harmonious world.

INR ZZZ Religion and Global Politics is an interdisciplinary course that introduces students to the increasingly visible role of religious identity in international and global politics. It offers a macro-level overview of the intersection of religion and politics in a historical context and sheds light on the intertwined histories and trajectories connecting them. It explores how this nexus has been shaped by belief and value systems as well as the historical socio-economic and political circumstances and conditions. Among the themes addressed in the course are religious diversity and human rights, interfaith dialogue and conflict resolution, and religion in the age of globalization.