

Basic Four-Year Plan for Global Affairs, BA^{1,2,3,4}

First Year

Semester 1 – Songdo	Credits	Semester 2 – Songdo	Credits
GLOA 101 or SOCI 120*	3	<i>Foreign Language 210+</i>	3
Written Communication I	3-4	Global Understanding ⁵	3
<i>Foreign Language 110+</i>	6	Social and Behavioral Sci.	3
Quantitative Reasoning	3-4	Western Civ./World History	3
		Oral Communication	3
Semester Credits:	15-17	Semester Credits:	15

Second Year

Semester 3 – Songdo	Credits	Semester 4 – Songdo	Credits
GOVT 322*	3	ECON 385*	3
Arts	3	Information Technology	3
Literature	3	Natural Science I (Non-lab)	3
General Electives	6	General Electives	6
Semester Credits:	15	Semester Credits:	15

Third Year

Semester 5 – Songdo	Credits	Semester 6 – Fairfax	Credits
CONF 340*	3	CULT 320*	3
EVPP 337* (Writing Intensive)	3	Concentration II+	3
Concentration I+	3	Concentration III+	3
Written Communication II	3	Philosophy or Rel. Studies	3
General Elective	3	General Elective	3
Semester Credits:	15	Semester Credits:	15

Fourth Year

Semester 7 – Fairfax	Credits	Semester 8 – Songdo	Credits
GLOA 400 (Capstone)	3	General Electives	15
Concentration IV+	3		
Natural Science II (Lab)	4		
Non-Western Culture ⁶	3		
General Elective	3		
Semester Credits:	16	Semester Credits:	15

Total Cumulative Credits: 121-123

¹ **Important:** This is a basic Global Affairs plan with many general elective opportunities. We recommend that you use your electives to pursue an additional concentration and/or a minor. Please consider options in advance with the assistance of an academic advisor.

² Schedule assumes a foreign language waiver.

³ Courses with * require a C or higher. A grade of C- or lower requires retaking the course.

⁴ Concentration courses and required language courses with a + require a C- or higher.

⁵ GOVT 133 is a recommended prerequisite for GOVT 322 and satisfies Global Understanding.

⁶ Students who attended high school for at least three years in a non-western country may qualify for a Non-Western Culture waiver. Please speak with an advisor to request the waiver.

I. General

The basic four-year plan above covers the Bachelor of Arts requirements for global affairs at George Mason University. Please be aware that course scheduling at George Mason University Korea is heavily influenced by the four-year plan above. Students wishing to make changes to the four-year plan above are highly recommended to do so with the assistance of an academic advisor.

For the most updated details on academic policies, requirements, prerequisites, etc., please refer to the University Catalog (URL: catalog.gmu.edu).

II. Important notes

- 1) **Bold courses are required** to be completed prior to going to the Fairfax campus. Failure to complete required courses can result in the delay of requisite permission to study at the Fairfax campus.
- 2) *Italicized courses are recommended* to be completed prior to going to the Fairfax campus.
- 3) Global affairs students must take at least seven credits of Natural Science (i.e., one four-credit lab course and one three-credit non-lab course).
- 4) 120 credits are required for graduation, with at least 45 of those credits coming from upper-level courses (i.e., 300 and/or 400-level courses).
- 5) Please speak with an academic advisor to discuss declaration of the required global affairs major concentration.
- 6) Students interested in declaring a second major concentration, double major, and/or minor must first speak with an academic advisor from the respective department/s.
- 7) Students may obtain a foreign language waiver by placement test, documentation, or other. Only testing out of a foreign language (e.g., Korean) at the 250 level (i.e., into the 300 level) will grant three 250-level language credits in the tested language. The placement exam is currently only available in Fairfax. Please see <https://chssundergrad.gmu.edu/waivers-and-exemptions/flwaiver> and <https://mcl.gmu.edu/placement-testing> for more information.
Global affairs students who test out of a foreign language at the 250 level and receive three 250-level credits require six more foreign language credits for graduation, but are strongly recommended to take a minimum of nine total foreign language credits in a third language.

III. Academic advisors

The following advisors are available to discuss student academic plans and answer academic questions throughout the semester:

Chief Academic Advisor <i>Full-Time Advisor for All Majors</i>	Ms. Sharon Kim Email: ykimk@gmu.edu
Faculty Advisor <i>Global Affairs</i>	Prof. Jason Morris Email: jmorrisf@gmu.edu