

These programme regulations should be read in conjunction with the University's [core regulations for postgraduate programmes](#)

MA Research Methods (Politics, International Relations, Security) (L2KA07)

1. This programme is available at Durham City in a full-time (12 months) mode of study.
2. Candidates shall study and be assessed in the following modules:

		Credit value
Empirical Research in Politics, International Relations and Security ~	SGIA48115	15
Perspectives on Social Research ~	SOC159515	15
Dissertation ~	SGIA47960	60

3. Candidates shall study and be assessed in modules to the value of 30 credits from List A.

List A		Credit value
Applied Statistics ~	PSYC40130	30
Statistical Exploration and Reasoning ~	SOC159215	15
Quantitative Research Methods in Social Science ~	SOC157815	15

4. Candidates shall study and be assessed in modules to the value of 15 credits from List B.

List B		Credit value
Qualitative Research Methods in Social Science ~	SOC158815	15
Fieldwork and Interpretation ~	ANTH54715	15

5. Candidates shall study and be assessed in modules to the value of 30 credits from either List C or List D.

List C		Credit value
Core Concepts in Political Science ~	SGIA48030	30
International Relations Theory ~	SGIA47730	30

List D		Credit value
Defence, Development and Diplomacy in Conflict: Evolving Actors, Factors and Paradigms ~	SGIA42515	15
Conflict Prevention and Sustainable Peace ~	SGIA42615	15

6. Candidates shall study and be assessed in modules to the value of 15 credits from Lists E or F.

List E		Credit value
Intermediate Statistics for Social Science Research	SOC143615	15
America and the World: The Making of US Foreign Policy	SGIA41415	15
Approaches to the Study of Modern Muslim Societies *	SGIA43915	15
Collective Identities and Political Thought in Britain Since 1850	SGIA40215	15
Collective Memory and Identity in Post-War Europe *	SGIA46015	15
Contemporary Socio-Political Issues in Muslim Religious Thought *	SGIA44015	15
European Institutions and the Policy Process	SGIA42015	15
European Security	SGIA42215	15
German Foreign Policy	SGIA40115	15
Human Rights	SGIA40815	15
Issues in the Politics of Military Occupation	SGIA46315	15
Just War in Political Theory and Practice	SGIA40315	15
Nationalism, Revolution and Reform in Contemporary China	SGIA45015	15
Political Economy and Development of Chinese Business	SGIA42315	15
Political Ideology	SGIA40515	15
Strategic Asia: Policy and Analysis	SGIA41015	15
The Contemporary Politics of the Middle East	SGIA45315	15

The European Union as a Global Actor	SGIA46115	15
The Political Economy of Development in the Middle East	SGIA45615	15
Theories of Capitalism *	SGIA46515	15
A module offered by the School of Modern Languages and Cultures		

List F (available only for candidates who also study and are assessed in modules from list D)

Credit value

Conflict Intervention: International Law, Counter-Insurgency and Conflict Diplomacy	SGIA42715	15
Post-Conflict Reconstruction, Development and State-Building	SGIA42915	15
Conflict Analysis	SGIA47415	15
Conflict Mediation	SGIA43515	15
Conflict Sensitive Programme Management	SGIA43715	15
Urban Violence – Urban Peacebuilding *	SGIA43815	15
Field Trip	SGIA43215	15
International Negotiation as an Instrument in Conflict Management	SGIA43415	15
Peace Building and Participation	SGIA47515	15
Policing Post-Conflict Cities *	SGIA47315	15
Religion, Culture and Conflict *	SGIA43315	15

7. Candidates registered for the MA Research Methods who are in receipt of funding under the ESRC 1+3 scheme will be considered for subsequent registration for the degree of PhD subject to successful completion of the MA programme and the meeting of all other ESRC requirements.
8. Modules marked with a ~ must be passed at 50% or above; a mark of 40-49% cannot be compensated.
9. Total credits may exceed 180 by up to 5 if a 20-credit language module is taken. A language module of more than 20 credits may be taken only with the agreement of the Programme Director, and must be accommodated within the overall 180-credit limit.
10. Modules marked with a * are not available during the 2017–18 academic year.