Honors College Sample Schedule: Global Affairs BA (Fall 2017)

Below is a suggested schedule for your first-semester as a Mason Honors College student seeking a degree in Global Affairs. Use the information to help you complete and submit a first-semester schedule for approval. You will need to alter the suggested schedule to accommodate your specific circumstances: AP/IB or Dual Enrollment credits, foreign language and math experience, etc. If you have questions, the Schedule Approval Form will answer them or forward your concerns directly to me. I look forward to approving your schedule, meeting you at orientation, and watching you grow and flourish as a Mason Honors College student. Warm regards, Dr. Woolsey

- Honors College students fulfill the Mason Core requirements by taking the Honors Curriculum
  - Degree Requirements for a BA in Global Affairs

**Suggested First-Semester Schedule**

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| HNRS 110: Research Methods (4) or HNRS 108 [Fall Semester 3] and HNRS 109 [Spring Semester 3]  
As a first-semester Honors student, you are required to take either HNRS 110, or enroll in the HNRS 108/109 sequence. If you feel you need extra support in regards to writing, then you should take HNRS 108. | 4 [3] |
| HNRT 125: A Liberal Arts Approach to Calculus or HNRT 225: Applied Calculus  
MATH 108, 111, 113, 123 and 124, HNRT 125 or 225 fulfill the quantitative reasoning requirement for the Honors College. If you earned a 4 or 5 for Advanced Placement (AP) Calculus AB, you have fulfilled this requirement, and you may use the credits to take a course from the list of alternate courses below. MATH courses require a placement test and are available all summer and at orientation. Students who intend to take HNRT 125 or HNRT 225 or MATH 111h are not required to take the Math Placement Test. However, unless you have an SAT quantitative score of 540 or above or an ACT quantitative score of 22 or above, it is highly recommended that you complete MATH 008 over the summer. | 3 |
| GLOA 101: Introduction to Global Affairs | 3 |
| Foreign Language  
Global Affairs students take 6-9 credits in a foreign language after demonstrating intermediate-proficiency in one language (courses numbered 210). Beginning language courses at Mason (numbered 110) are worth 6 credits, courses numbered 115 and above are worth 3 credits. Students with previous language experience should take a Foreign Language Placement Exam, offered throughout the summer and at orientation. If you place into a foreign language course at 115 or above, you may use the extra credits to take a course from the list of alternate courses below. | 3-6 |

| Semester Total | 13-16 |

**Alternate Courses**

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<td>HNRS 122: Reading the Arts</td>
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<td>Mason Core approved Lab science (4) or Non-Lab Science [3]</td>
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| GOVT 132: Introduction to International Politics or GOVT 133: Introduction to Comparative Politics  
If you earned a 4 or 5 for Advanced Placement (AP) Government & Politics: Comparative, you have fulfilled this requirement and will get credit for GOVT 133. | 3 |
| Introductory Course in a Minor  
Students pursuing Bachelor of Arts degrees in the humanities or social sciences have room in their schedules to take elective credits (credits beyond major and Honors requirements) and still graduate in four years. We advise students to start out by taking a mixture of courses that fulfill Honors and Global Affairs core requirements and allow you to explore minors at the same time. | 3 |

**Tips and Reminders**

- Honors College Global Affairs students usually take a first-semester credit load of 13-16 credits. Your advisor will not approve your schedule if it exceeds 17 credits. Even if you plan to graduate early or pursue an accelerated MA degree, taking a realistic and manageable first-semester schedule is the best way to ensure your success.
- If you plan on getting credit for Dual Enrollment courses, and/or AP/IB exams, do not forget to request that your transcripts and/or test scores be sent to the Mason Office of Admissions.