

MSc Political Science

International Politics

Global conflict and cooperation

This specialisation focuses on the sources and dynamics of international conflict and cooperation in a changing world order. Typical courses address interactions between states, NGOs and international organisations, the roles of ideas, cultural identities and material interests, and the dynamics of change in the international system, from theoretical, empirical and normative perspectives.

Global academic expertise

Our lecturers are active scholars and experienced teachers from diverse countries, with expertise in international politics, including policy formation and diplomacy. They help you to sharpen your analytical skills by encouraging critical and independent thinking.

Why Leiden University?

- Leiden's Institute of Political Science has an outstanding reputation for its teaching and research. You will become part of an international classroom and engage in small-scale, in-depth discussions.
- Explore key themes in Political Science and develop strong research skills, guided by leading researchers and the latest academic insights.

Facts and Figures

Language	English
Location	Leiden
Duration	1 year
Admission start September	1 April non-EU 15 May EU
Admission start February	15 October non-EU 15 November EU



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Perspective, growth, learning



'Specialising in International Politics is rewarding and essential in today's global dynamics. The programme offers forward-thinking perspectives and a strong framework on international politics, conflict resolution, and cooperation. I value the thought-provoking environment and small-group classes that motivate my growth.'

Lucas Wols · Student International Politics

Course overview

Semester I		Semester II	
Conflict and Cooperation in International Politics	10 EC	Elective seminar	10 EC
Great Debates in Political Science	5 EC	Master's thesis	20 EC
Methods in Political Science	5 EC		
Elective seminar	10 EC		

Career possibilities

- Politics and management: policy officer, policy adviser
- Consultancy: consultant, commercial adviser, project manager
- Research: analyst, researcher
- HRM: human resources officer, international markets coordinator
- Media and communication: public affairs assistant, communications assistant
- Finance: financial trainee, adviser

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