

**OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY  
Graduate Program International Studies**

**Ph. D. in International Studies**

**Advising Record**

(Note: This sheet is for PhD students who have completed a relevant MA degree.)

Student \_\_\_\_\_

Student Number \_\_\_\_\_ Sem/Year Admitted \_\_\_\_\_

Adviser \_\_\_\_\_

*Please indicate the courses/requirements already completed.*

**Program Core Courses**

*Students must either take or have waived the five core courses. Core courses can be waived only by the program director. These courses do NOT count towards the 30 credit hours of coursework (after the MA) required for the PhD program.*

		Semester/Yr	Grade
IS 601	IR Theory	_____	_____
IS 600	Research Methods	_____	_____
IS 620	Advanced Statistics	_____	_____
ECON 650	International Economics	_____	_____
IS 606	American Foreign Policy	_____	_____
IS 655	International History	_____	_____

**Primary Field:** \_\_\_\_\_

*Students must take 5 seminars in their primary field (15 credit hours). This will include the field core seminar plus four additional seminars. See the individual field sheets for guidance on appropriate seminars. Any questions about appropriate seminars should be directed to the field coordinator.*

	IS #	Seminar	Semester/Yr	Grade
Field Core				
Seminar 2				
Seminar 3				
Seminar 4				
Seminar 5				

**Secondary Field:** \_\_\_\_\_

*Students must take 3 seminars in their secondary field (9 credit hours). This will include the field core seminar plus two additional seminars. See the individual field sheets for guidance on appropriate seminars. Any questions about appropriate seminars should be directed to the field coordinator.*

	IS #	Seminar	Semester/Yr	Grade
Field Core				
Seminar 2				
Seminar 3				

**Elective Coursework**

Students must have a total of 30 credit hours of coursework (beyond the program core courses). This will require two additional seminars beyond the five primary field seminars and the three secondary field seminars. These should be chosen to complement and fill-out a coherent program of doctoral coursework.

	IS #	Seminar	Semester/Yr	Grade
Elective 1				
Elective 2				

**Foreign Language**

The foreign language requirement can be satisfied either by having passed two 300 level courses with a grade of B or better, or by passing a translation examination. Native speakers of a foreign language do not need to take the exam.

Language \_\_\_\_\_

Method of Certification \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Certification \_\_\_\_\_

**Some Rules to Note**

1. PhD students may take up to three 600-700 level courses. All of the rest must be 800 level seminars.
2. Foreign language classes cannot count towards the unit requirement.
3. Students may not count more than six credit hours of independent studies or internships toward their thirty credit hours of coursework.

**PhD Comprehensive Exam or Thesis**

The PhD comprehensive examinations cannot be taken until all of the course requirements and the language requirement are completed. The exam is offered in August and January. A guide to the PhD comprehensives is available online and in the GPIS office.

Semester taken or anticipated \_\_\_\_\_

**The Continuous Registration Requirement**

Please note that all PhD students must be continually registered from the time they complete their comprehensive examination until they complete the degree. This requires registration for at least one credit hour in every semester (including summers). Military students deployed out of the area may petition for an exception to this requirement.

**The Time Limit**

PhD Students must complete their degree within 8 years from the starting semester. Active duty military students may receive an extension up to 5 years.

**Updated**

**Date**

**Adviser's Signature**

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