If men were angels, no government would be necessary.

James Madison
What is Political Science?

Political science is the study of governments, public policies and political processes, systems, and political behavior. Political science subfields include political theory, political philosophy, political ideology, political economy, policy studies and analysis, comparative politics, international relations, and a host of related fields.
What is International Relations?

International relations (IR) or International studies (IS) represents the study of foreign affairs and global issues among states within the international system, including the roles of states, inter-governmental organisations, non-governmental organizations, international nongovernmental organizations and multi corporations.
The Department aspires to be a leader in the field of politics and governance by educating its students towards the promotion of:

- peace and justice
- equity and sustainability
- inclusiveness and
- respect for human rights

The Department’s main objective is to provide a balanced education committed to diversity. In addition to courses that orient them to the field, students are given the opportunity to conduct extensive research on such contemporary issues as the European Union, political economy, democratization, human rights, gender and identity politics.
What do we offer?

Education in English
International academic staff
Student exchange programs

Internship and practice opportunities abroad
Double and minor programs
Dual programs
Careers in Political Science and International Relations

A bachelor's degree in political science can lead to exciting careers in center and local governments; law; business; international organizations; nonprofit associations and organizations; campaign management and polling; journalism; electoral politics; archivist; demographer; diplomat; foreign affairs analyst; foreign affairs specialist; research and university and college teaching.

Political science majors gain analytical skills, administrative competence and communication abilities that are valued in a wide spectrum of potential career areas.
Program Offerings

• Bachelor in Political Science and International Relations
• Master Programs - DND (Diploma of Second Level) in Political Science and International Relations
• Master of Second Level - MND (Master of Second Level) in Political Science and International Relations
• Master of Second Level in European Studies
CURRICULUM OF DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

First Semester
Introduction to Political Sciences I
Introduction to Economics I
Behavioral Science
Civilization History
Advanced English I
Introduction to Law

Second Semester
Introduction to Political Science II
Statistics of Social Sciences
Introduction to Economics II
Advanced English II
Constitutional Law
Sociology
Third Semester
Political and Diplomatic History I
History of Political Thought I
International Relations I
Administrative System in Albania
International Law

Fourth Semester
Political and Diplomatic History II
History Of Political Thought II
International Relations II
Albanian Foreign Policy
Research Methods in Political Sciences
Fifth Semester
Comparative Politics
International Organizations
Elective
Elective
Elective

Sixth Semester
Contemporary Political Theories
EU Institutions and Policy
Elective
Elective
Elective
Seventh Semester
European Integration Theories
Current Issues in World Politics
Elective
Elective
Elective

Eighth Semester
Democracy Theories
International Security
Elective
Elective
Elective
Elective Courses

• Information Technologies and Applications
• Management and Organization
• Public Finance
• Business Law
• Financial Accounting I
• Financial Accounting II
• Turkish I, II, III, IV
• German I, II, III, IV
• Italian I, II, III, IV
• French I, II, III, IV
• Political Sociology
• Political parties

• International Relations Theories
• Balkans Political History
• Politics, Society and Civilization
• Organizations Theory
• International Economics I
• International Economics II
• Human Resources Management
• Media and Opinion
• Middle East Politics and Societies
• Foreign Policy Analysis
• Negotiation and Conflicts Solution
• Nationalism and Ethnic Minorities
• Current Issues in Albanian Foreign Policy
• Diplomatic Speaking and Writing Techniques
• Albanian Economy
Master Programs

DND (Diploma of Second Level)
In Political Science and International Relations
Duration Two Academic Years (120 ECTS)

The Diploma of Second Level is a two-year program designed to follow a Bachelor’s Degree. In the Bologna system, the Diploma of Second Level is part of the second cycle of higher education studies and corresponds to a Master’s Degree in the European and American systems.
MND (Master of Second Level)  
Political Science and International Relations  
&  
European Studies  
Duration One Academic Year (60 ECTS)

The Master of Second Level follows a Diploma of Second Level and is the beginning of the third cycle of higher education in the Bologna system, which is designed to continue on to a Ph.D.
CURRICULUM OF DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS MASTER PROGRAMS

- Research Methods in Social Sciences
- Political Theory
- Strategy And International Relations
- Oral History of Albania
- Political Psychology
- Public Opinion
- Nationalism
- International Relations Theory
- NATO in The 21st Century
- International Relations and Globalization
- Democratization Process in the Balkan Countries
- Democratization in the Europe
- Comparative Political Studies on the Balkan Countries
- International Organizations
- The History of Idea of Europe
- European Security and Defense
- Political Institutions of the EU
Economic Development, Policy Analysis and Industrialization
Political Economy of Western Europe
Theory of Democracy
Modern Comparative Politics
Global Geopolitics
Ethnicity and Politics
Political Marketing
Negotiation and Conflict Management
International Terrorism
Political Behavior
Theory and Practice of Democracy in Europe
European Political Systems
EU and International Relations
Nationalism in Europe
Research Methods Sciences-
Foundations of Political Science
Strategy in International Politics