

National Security and Foreign Affairs - NSFA (BAIS)

This is a recommended program of study for students planning to transfer to the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences to earn a Bachelor of Arts in International Studies with a major in National Security and Foreign Affairs (NSFA).

Recommended VCCS Courses	VT Credits 1st. Sem	VT Credits 2nd. Sem	Virginia Tech Course Application
First Year			
ENG 111, 112	3	3	ENGL 1105, 1106
Foreign Language 1000-2000 level ³	3	3	Foreign Language
Critical Thinking in the Humanities ¹	3	3	Critical Thinking in the Humanities Courses
Reasoning in the Natural Sciences ¹	4	4	Reasoning in the Natural Sciences Courses
Quantitative and Computational Thinking ¹	3	3	Quantitative and Computational Thinking< Courses
TOTAL	16	16	
Second Year			
Foreign Language 2000 level ³	3	3	Foreign Language
PLS 241	3		IS 2054
PLS 135 or PLS 211+212 ⁴	3		PSCI 1014
Critique and Practice in Design and the Arts ¹	3	3	Critique and Practice in Design and the Arts Courses
Transferable electives ²	3	9	Free Electives
TOTAL	15	15	

Footnotes

¹ See VCCS General Education Requirements: Pathways Core Concepts.

² See VCCS Transferable courses at VCCS and Richard Bland Transferable Courses

³ These foreign language courses are in addition to the courses used to fulfill the foreign language requirement given below. All IS students need to be prepared to enter upper-level foreign language courses upon entry into Virginia Tech.

⁴ Student must take both courses in order to receive transfer credit at Virginia Tech.

Please be in contact with the CLAHS contact listed in the Transfer Guide if you have questions about the Pathways Core Concepts and VCCS courses that can be used to fulfill them.

Foreign Language: The minimum requirement may be met in high school by completing 3 units of a single foreign or classical language credit or American Sign Language credit. The requirement may also be met by one of the following before or after transfer admission:

- Those who have taken 2 years of a single foreign language in high school can complete the



1106 equivalent course at their current college in the same language as taken in high school or by taking the 1106 course at Virginia Tech.

- Students who have not completed two units of a single foreign language in high school MUST earn six semester hours of college-level foreign or classical language credit (ex: 1105-1106). These six hours are in addition to the 120 hours required for graduation.