

International Relations Department

Thesis Areas

Who may find this useful?

Undergraduate & Graduate International Relations students seeking a thesis supervisor.

Suggestions

Have at least one topic proposal or thesis question in mind before reaching out to a faculty member.

Further Information

This list will be periodically updated to reflect current faculty and their areas of research interest.

Potential Thesis Supervisors	Research/Supervision Areas
Dr. Franco Algeri	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EU Common Foreign and Defense Policy • Recent Dynamics in Regional Integration • European & Chinese approaches to Foreign Policy • The Rise of the Asia-Pacific Region
Dr. Jozef Batora	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EU Common Foreign and Defense Policy • Diplomacy • Global Security • Organization Theory and Institutions • Identity Formation in International Relations • European Integration and Governance • Privatization of Warfare
Dr. Ryan Crawford	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • History of Political Philosophy and Contemporary Political Theory • Frankfurt School, Psychoanalysis, Marxism • Concepts of Democracy, Revolution and Political Violence • Art, Ideology and Aesthetics
Univ.-Prof. Dr. Johannes Pollak	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Political theory • Democracy and legitimacy • The EU's Many Representative Modes • European Gas Market • The Role of European Agencies in External Relations • New Modes of Governance in Regional Administration
Dr. Samuel R. Schubert	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Realist analyses of Interstate or Multinational Relations • The Relationship Between Energy, Power, and War • Middle East and Global Security • Comparative Modes and Sources of Foreign Policy Decision Making • The Determinants and Effects of Terrorism and Political Violence
Dr. Anatoly Reshetnikov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Historical International Relations • International Political Sociology • Russian International and Domestic Politics • Critical History of Modernity • Language and Politics • Identity Formation in International Relations • Great Powers in International Relations

Potential Thesis Advisors	Research Methods
Dr. Franco Algieri	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Single and multiple case studies • Content analysis (e.g., of written materials, web sites)
Dr. Jozef Batora	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Single and multiple case studies • Primary and secondary qualitative data collection (e.g. interviews, observations, focus groups, written sources)
Dr. Ryan Crawford	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conceptual History • Philosophical Hermeneutics • Ideology Critique
Univ.–Prof. Dr. Johannes Pollak	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Single and multiple case studies • Primary and secondary qualitative data collection, e.g. interviews, observations, focus groups, written sources • Content analysis (e.g., of written materials, web sites)
Dr. Samuel R. Schubert	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regression analysis (OLS, Logit, Probit) • Single and multiple case studies
Dr. Anatoly Reshetnikov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discourse analysis • Ethnographic methods: interview, participant observation, digital ethnography • Feminist, Marxist and postcolonial critique • Content analysis • Visual discourse analysis

Please note:

1. If you would like to write about a topic that you do not see listed, please approach faculty for advice.
2. Please refer to our general and departmental thesis guidelines at <http://webster.ac.at/thesis>