

Topics for the entrance examination for doctoral studies

1. The core milestones in the evolution of international relations (IR) theory, qualitative shifts in theorizing IR.
2. Major debates in IR theory, fundamental questions, approaches and methods.
3. Realism and liberalism – current attempts to reformulate them.
4. Constructivism as the dominant approach to the study of international relations? Critical discussion.
5. Critical approaches and emancipatory potential of IR theories.
6. Recent approaches to the study of international relations: Theory of IR after constructivist hegemony.
7. Theoretical conceptualization of the contemporary global system of IR (actors, dynamics, governance).
8. The feature of globalization processes at the beginning of the 21st century (basic tendencies and their specific manifestations in the economic and political-security dimension).
9. Genesis of the international system, typology, subsystems.
10. Central Europe in IR.
11. Wars in the 21st century, political, economic and other determinants.
12. Terrorism in the 21st century, political, economic and other determinants.
13. NATO enlargement and its international political consequences.
14. State as an actor of foreign policy.
15. Foreign policy-making institutions and other domestic influences on foreign policy.
16. Diplomacy in IR.
17. Czech foreign policy.
18. International political economy: the role of the state and international organizations in globalization.
19. Economic growth and inequality in the world economy, middle income trap.
20. Non-state economic actors, Global Value Chains, intra-disciplinary trade.

Recommended reading

1. ALDEN, C. and ARAN, A. (2017). *Foreign Policy Analysis: New Approaches*. Routledge, Taylor & Francis Group, London, ISBN 978-1-138-93429-0.
2. BREUNING, M. (2007). *Foreign Policy Analysis: A Comparative Introduction*. New York: Palgrave Macmillan, ISBN 978-0-312-29620-9.
3. BALDWIN, R. E. (2016). *The Great Convergence: Information Technology and the New Globalization*. Cambridge: Belknap Press of Harvard University Press, ISBN 978-0-674-66048-9.
4. BERRIDGE, G. R. (2010). *Diplomacy. Theory and Practice*. New York: Palgrave Macmillan, ISBN 978-0-230-22960-0.
5. BLACK, J. (2010). *A History of Diplomacy*. London: Reaktion Books Ltd., ISBN 978-1-86189-696-4.
6. BURCHILL, S. (2013). *Theories of International Relations*. Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan, ISBN 978-0-415-77842-8.

7. CABADA, L. and WAISOVÁ, Š. (2011). *Czechoslovakia and the Czech Republic in World Politics*. Lanham: Lexington Books. (Available at: <http://ebookcentral.proquest.com/lib/natl-ebooks/detail.action?docID=862645>)
8. DICKEN, P. (2015). *Global Shift: Mapping the Changing Contours of the World Economy*. Los Angeles: Sage, ISBN 978-1-4462-8210-6.
9. DUNNE, T., KURKI, M. and SMITH, S. (2013). *International Relations Theories: Discipline and Diversity*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, ISBN 978-0-19-969601-7.
10. EICHLER, J. (2017). *War, Peace and International Security. From Sarajevo to Crimea*. London: Palgrave Macmillan, ISBN 978-1137601490.
11. FRIEDMAN, G. (2015). *Flashpoints: The Emerging Crisis in Europe*. New York: Anchor, ISBN 978-0385536332. pp. 1–33, 251–258.
12. IKENBERRY, G. (2014). The Illusion of Geopolitics: The Enduring Power of the Liberal Order. *Foreign Affairs*, 93 (3), pp. 80–90.
13. KISSINGER, H. (2014). *World Order. Reflections on the Character of Nations and the Course of History*. London: Penguin Books, ISBN 978-0141979007.
14. KRUGMAN, P. R., OBSTFELD, M. and MELITZ, M. J. (2018). *International Economics: Theory and Policy*. Boston: Pearson Education Limited, ISBN 978-1-292-21487-0.
15. LEMERT, C. C. (2010). *Globalization: A reader*. London: Routledge, 978-0-415-46478-9.
16. O'BRIEN, R. and WILLIAMS, M. (2016). *Global Political Economy: Evolution & Dynamics*. London: Palgrave, ISBN 978-1-137-52312-9.
17. O'HANLON, M. (2017). *Beyond NATO: A New Security Architecture for Eastern Europe*. Washington: Brookings institution, ISBN 978-80815732570.
18. SMITH, S., HADFIELD, A. and DUNNE, T. (2016). *Foreign Policy: Theories, Actors, Cases*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, ISBN 978-0198708902.
19. WEBER, C. (2010). *International Relations Theory: A Critical Introduction*. London: Routledge, ISBN 978-0-415-77842-8.
20. WEISS, T. G. (2010). *The United Nations and Changing World Politics*. Boulder: Westview Press, ISBN 978-0-8133-4435-5.
21. WEISS, T. G. and WILKINSON, R. (2014). *International Organization and Global Governance*. London: Routledge, ISBN 978-0-415-62760-3.