

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, Security and Defense Policy • EU-Asia relations • Regional Integration • European & Chinese approaches to Foreign Policy • Developments in the Asia-Pacific Region • The European integration process and differentiated integration
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. Elina Brutschin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Energy Security Strategies • European Integration in the Energy Sector • Quantitative Studies in Feminist IR Research • The Political Economy of Renewable Energy • The External Dimension of Nuclear Renaissance
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 • Supernatural Representation • European Energy Politics • 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 International Relations • The Relationship Between Energy, Power, and War • Middle East • Comparative Foreign Policy / Foreign Policy Analysis • Terrorism and Political Violence

Potential Thesis Advisors	Research Methods
Dr. Franco Algeri	<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, websites, official documents)
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. Elina Brutschin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regression analysis (OLS, Logit, Probit) • Panel Data Econometrics • Time Series: OLS, IV
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, websites, official documents)
Dr. Samuel R. Schubert	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regression analysis (OLS, Logit, Probit) • Single and multiple case studies • Content analysis (e.g., of written materials, websites, official documents)

Please note:

1. If you would like to write about a topic that is not listed here, please approach faculty for advice.
2. Please refer to our general thesis guidelines at http://webster.ac.at/files/attachments/a10-thesis_guidelines.pdf