

# INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Clare College



## Overview

DURATION: 2 Weeks

LESSONS: 20 hours per week

LEVEL REQUIRED: Intermediate or above

TIME TO SHINE: Model UN Congress

SUITABLE FOR FUTURE STUDY: International Relations, Politics, Law

Over the duration of the course, students will participate in assignments and projects to develop their understanding of how and why the international landscape is shaped as it is, as well as enhance key skills in presentation, negotiation, global leadership and diplomacy. Students will gain skills in research and debating, by analysing real-life political models and case studies from across the globe, and participate in a model UN congress, held in front of an audience.

## Course Objectives

- To learn how different political systems work in the modern world, and how organisations such as the World Trade Organisation (WTO) and the United Nations (UN) operate
- To understand how conflicts arise, and how they are resolved
- To improve key interpersonal skills required for successful political relations: negotiation strategies, leadership skills, effective communication and teamwork
- To develop key study skills in research, analysis, and interpretation
- To learn how to form critical response and deliver clear, cogent arguments
- To improve all-round confidence in using English communicatively

## Course Schedule

Week 1	Week 2
1.1 Introduction to International Relations 1.2 Key Terminology	6.1 Development 6.2 Sustainability
2.1 Global Issues 2.2 What do Global Problems Cost Us?	7.1 Globalisation and Trade 7.2 Fairtrade for All?
3.1 Key International Partnerships 3.2 The United Nations	8.1 Climate Change 8.2 Paradoxes
4.1 Armed Conflict 4.2 Peacebuilding	9.1 Model UN: Introduction to Case Study 9.2 Model UN Preparation
5.1 Conflict Resolution 5.2 Model UN: Kaotian Crisis	10.1 Time to Shine 10.2 Review

Please note the above is given as an example, and is subject to change.

