

Statement of participation

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has completed the free course including any mandatory tests for:

Introducing International Relations

This free 8-hour course introduced the subject of International Relations, drawing on two case studies.

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Course summary

In this free course you will be introduced to the subject of International Relations (IR). You will learn how IR seeks to analyse vital global problems and the key actors and issues involved. In the course you will explore two contemporary case studies: the competition between great powers like the USA and China for access to Africa's resources; and the global efforts to combat international terrorism. You will come away with an insight into how to analyse and understand international affairs.

Learning outcomes

By completing this course, the learner should be able to:

- understand what International Relations is, and how it is studied
- understand two contemporary examples of international relations: great powers in African and international terrorism
- demonstrate knowledge of the kinds of problems and questions International Relations as an academic subject tries to address
- identify some of the different actors and issues shaping international relations
- have an awareness of different perspectives and debates on international relations.

Completed study

The learner has completed the following:

Section 1

What is International Relations (IR)?

Section 2

Analysing International Relations

Section 3

Case study: great powers in Africa

Section 4

Case study: international terrorism

Section 5

Theories on International Relations