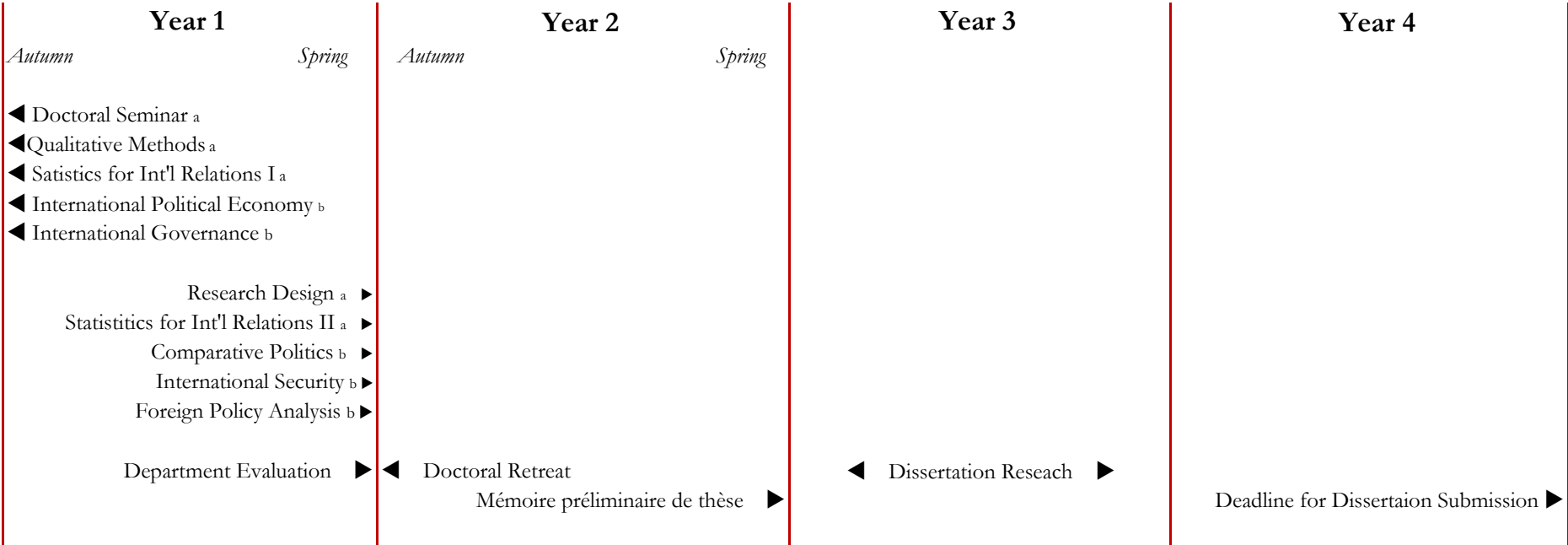


# PhD Requirements: Entering Class of 2021

- 36 credits (6 required courses--1 to be chosen from the list of 5 study of international studies courses) to be taken in year 1
- Mandatory attendance at departmental colloquium talks in semesters 1-3
- Attend the one-day doctoral retreat and present thesis proposal in semester 3
- Submit a formal dissertation proposal by end of semester 3
- Oral defense of dissertation proposal (Mémoire préliminaire de thèse or MPI) before a faculty committee at start of semester 4
- Submit dissertation in the 8 semesters following registration to the program
- Schedule dissertation defense three months after dissertation submission



<sup>a</sup> All Required  
<sup>b</sup> One of five required

**General PhD Requirements:** Applicable to all students beginning their doctoral studies at IHEID on or after 1 September 2010

Follow the programme of study and consult regulations on the Institute web site

Write, successfully present and defend a preliminary thesis proposal

Write, successfully present and defend a doctoral thesis

**Programme of Study**

**Semesters 1-2: 6 courses (36 credits) all to be taken in the first year of studies**

- o **Doctoral Seminar in Political Science** (Autumn 2021, Leander)
- o **Qualitative Methods in International Relations** Autumn 2021, Sylvan)
- o **Statistics for International Relations Research I** (Autumn 2021, Yuksel)
- o **Research Design** (Spring 2021, Dupont)
- o **Statistics for International Relations II** (Spring 2022, Rho)

One of the five Study of International Politics (SIP) courses:

- o 1. **International Security** (Spring 2022, Leander)
- o 2. **International Political Economy** (Autumn 2021, Rho)
- o 3. **Foreign Policy Analysis** (Spring 2022, Friedrichs)
- o 4. **International Governance** (Autumn 2021, Hollway)
- o 5. **Comparative Politics** (Spring 2022, Bhavnani)

**Political Science Research Colloquium:** During their first three semesters, all doctoral students are required to attend regularly the political science colloquia.

**SEMESTER 3-4: Doctoral Retreat and Preliminary Thesis Proposal Defense (MPT)**

All first-year doctoral students are required to attend the one-day annual doctoral retreat in the fall of their second year where they present their thesis proposal.

By the end of their third semester, students must submit a formal thesis proposal (“mémoire préliminaire de thèse”) to be defended orally before a faculty committee in the spring of their fourth semester.

**SEMESTERS 5-8:** each candidate must submit his/her thesis by the 8th semester following registration in the programme.