

**Lesya Ukrainka Volyn National University
International Communications and Political Analysis Department
International Relations Faculty**

**SYLLABUS
of a normative academic component**

**COURSE PAPER ON ANALYSIS AND FORECASTING
OF FOREIGN POLICY**

BACHELOR Training

Field of Knowledge «International Relations «

Specialty 291 «International Relations, Public Communications and Regional Studies»

Educational and professional programme «International Information and Public Communications»

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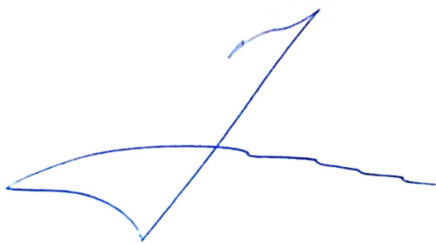
The syllabus of the academic component Course Paper on Analysis and Forecasting of Foreign Policy, Education Level Bachelor, Field of Knowledge 29 International Relations, Specialty 291 International Relations, Public Communications and Regional Studies, Educational and professional programme International Information and Public Communications.

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I. The description of academic component

Indicator Name	Field of knowledge, educational and professional programme / education and research program, education level	Characteristics of academic component
Full-time form of education	29 International Relations, Specialty 291 International Relations, Public Communications and Regional Studies, International Information and Public Communications, Bachelor	Normative
Number of hours / credits		Year of study: III
		Semester: 6th
		Independent work 84 hours
90 / 3	Consultations 6 hours	
Language of study: English		Form of control: credit

II. Information about the instructor

INSTRUCTOR	Shuliak Antonona Mykolayivna
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INSTRUCTOR'S COMPETENCIES	<p>Doctor of Political Sciences, Professor of International Communications and Political Analysis Department, Dean of the International Relations Faculty</p> <p>ORCID ID 0000-0002-5234-0758</p> <p>Topics of scientific research: information and analytical activity, information democracy, political analytics and forecasting.</p> <p>certificate B2 (English)</p>

3. DESCRIPTION OF THE EDUCATION COMPONENT

A course abstract	<p>Study of the concept of «foreign policy» and the problem of its scientific definition. Foreign policy and diplomacy. Internal factors of foreign policy. International politics and stratification. Types of behavior of states in the international arena. National interest as the basis of the state's foreign policy. Political analysis and information analytics. Information provision of political analytics. Political situation and stages of political analysis. Political forecasting: stages and methods. European civilization at the turn of the millennium: dialectics of development and contradictions. Pan-European and subregional organizations as instruments of international policy. Features of modern foreign policy problems. Conflicts in different regions of the world. Problems of security and cooperation in European politics. Human rights, national and religious minorities in modern European politics. Issues of education, science, culture and environmental protection in modern European politics. «Non-state diplomacy» and regional cooperation as effective directions of European policy</p>
Prerequisites	<p>«Analysis and forecasting of the foreign policy of countries and regions», «Information and analytical activity in international relations».</p>

Postrequisites	«Foreign policy of Ukraine and national interests», «Strategies of peace and international security».
Purpose and tasks of the AC	<p>Course paper is a type of independent work performed by applicants during the academic year and is the result of research activities. The purpose of writing the course paper is to reveal the content of specific concepts and concepts, which are used by world political science in the study of political interactions on the international arena, based on the acquired knowledge.</p> <p>When conducting research, the applicant must demonstrate knowledge and reflect modern scientific views on the nature of world politics, analyze the peculiarities of political processes in the field of international relations, characterize the main trends and problems of world politics, etc. The modern system of international relations is complex and multifaceted. Each region and each country, in particular, occupies its special place in this system. For a better understanding of the processes taking place in the world, knowledge of the specifics of one or another region is required, which should be reflected in the coursework.</p>

4. Learning outcomes (competencies)

Integral competency is the ability to solve complex specialized tasks and practical problems in the field of international relations, social communication and regional studies, foreign policy activities of states, international interactions between states, international organizations and non-state actors, characterized by the complexity and uncertainty of conditions and involves the application of theories of social sciences and special scientific methods of researching problems of international relations.

General (GC)

GC3. Ability to learn and master modern knowledge.

GC4. Knowledge and understanding of the subject area and understanding of professional activity.

GC7. Ability to apply knowledge in practical situations.

GC8. Ability to abstract thinking, analysis and synthesis.

GC9. Ability to use information and communication technologies.

GC10. Ability to communicate in the national language both orally and in writing.

GC12. Ability to search, process and analyze information from various sources.

Special (professional) (SC)

SC1. The ability to distinguish signs and trends of development, to understand the nature, dynamics, principles of organization of international relations, public communications and/or regional studies.

SC2. Ability to analyze international processes in various contexts, including political, security, legal, economic, social, cultural and informational.

SC3. The ability to assess the state and directions of research in international relations and world politics in political, economic, legal sciences, in interdisciplinary studies.

SC4. The ability to solve complex specialized tasks and practical problems in the field of international relations, foreign policy of states, public communications, regional studies.

SC5. The ability to analyze the influence of the world economy, international law and domestic politics on the structure and dynamics of international relations and the foreign policy of states.

SC7. The ability to analyze international integration processes in the world and on the European continent, and the place of Ukraine in them.

SC9. The ability to apply knowledge of the characteristics of the development of countries and regions, features and regularities of global processes and the place of individual states in them to solve complex specialized tasks and problems.

SC10. Ability to analyze the structure and dynamics of international public communications, to identify their impact on the international system, state and public institutions.

SC11. The ability to analyze the nature and evolution of international organizations, their place in the system of international relations, the main forms and perspectives of Ukraine's cooperation with them.

SC12. Ability to carry out communication and information and analytical activities in the field of international relations (in Ukrainian and foreign languages)

SC13. Ability to analyze the activities of international non-state actors and transnational relations.

Learning Outcomes (LO):

LO 01. To know and understand the nature of international relations and regional development, the evolution, the state of theoretical studies of international relations and world politics, as well as the nature and sources of the policies of states in the international arena and the activities of other participants in international relations.

LO 02. To know and understand the nature and dynamics of international security, to understand the features of its provision at the global, regional and national level, to know the nature and approaches to solving international and internationalized conflicts.

LO 03. To know the nature of international cooperation, the nature of interaction between international actors, the relations of state and non-state actors in world politics.

LO 04. To know the principles, mechanisms and processes to ensure the foreign policy of states, the interaction between foreign and domestic policies, the definition and implementation of the national interests of states on the international arena, the process of forming and implementing foreign policy decisions.

LO 06. To know the nature and character of interactions of individual countries and regions at the global, regional and local levels.

LO 07. To carry out a description and analysis of the international situation, to collect from various sources the necessary information about international and foreign political events and processes.

LO 08. To collect, process and analyze large volumes of information about the state of international relations, foreign policy of Ukraine and other states, regional systems, international communications.

LO 09. To research the problems of international relations, regional development, foreign policy, international communications, using modern political, economic and legal theories and concepts, scientific methods and interdisciplinary approaches, present research results, provide relevant recommendations.

LO 10. To communicate freely in national and foreign languages at a professional level necessary for professional discussion, preparation of analytical and research documents.

LO 11. To carry out an applied analysis of international relations, foreign policy of Ukraine and other states, international processes and the international situation in accordance with the set goals, prepare informative and analytical reports.

LO 13. To conduct a professional discussion on issues of international relations, international communications, regional studies, foreign political activity, argue one's position, respect opponents and their points of view.

LO 14. To use modern digital technologies, specialized software, databases and information systems to solve complex specialized problems in the field of international relations, public communications and/or regional studies.

LO 17. To have the skills of self-determination of educational goals and learning, finding educational resources necessary for their achievement.

5. REQUIREMENTS FOR THE STRUCTURE OF THE COURSE PAPER

The course paper should have a clear logical structure, which includes the following parts:

1. Title Sheet;
2. List of conventional abbreviations;
3. Content (or plan);
4. Introduction (2-3 pages);
5. The main part (30-40 pages);
6. Final part, conclusions (1-2 pages);
7. Attachments;
8. List of used sources.

The first page of the course paper is the title page, where the name of the educational institution where the work was completed is given; faculty and department supervising work on course paper; surname, first name, patronymic of the author; the name of the specialty studied by the applicant; title of work; scientific degree, scientific title, surname, initials of the scientific supervisor.

The second page contains a list of conventional abbreviations used in the course paper.

The content of the course paper is presented on the next page after the list of conditional abbreviations, indicating the pages where the relevant structural sections are located. It is possible to place the coursework plan, in which case the pages of the sections are not indicated.

The introduction should substantiate the relevance of the chosen topic, a brief description of the current state of its research and the scientific problem (question) that will be considered in the course work. The object and subject of the research are determined, the tasks and purpose of the work are outlined, the methods for conducting the research are chosen (which are previously studied at the AC Analysis and forecasting of the foreign policy of countries and regions). Scientific novelty and practical use of research results are characterized. Next, a brief review of the sources and literature used by the author is carried out. Approvals of the research results (if available) are indicated in the introduction.

The main part involves revealing the content of the chosen topic, its main issues and problems. The first part of the study should contain an analysis of the display of the selected problem in the literature, as well as highlighting different points of view on it and their critical analysis. This part should be no more than 20% of the total volume of course work.

The course paper should clearly formulate a theoretical position, substantiate and reveal its characteristic features and properties, illustrate theoretical statements with concrete examples from socio-political, economic, cultural life. The applicant must demonstrate the ability to independently draw conclusions based on the studied sources and generalization of the material.

The main part of the course paper consists of sections and may include subsections.

In the final part, the conclusions are briefly presented, which contain a brief summary of the conducted research, where it is noted to what extent it was possible to solve the tasks and achieve the goal. Recommendations and suggestions for practical solutions to the problems raised in the course work can also be given here.

If necessary, the term paper may contain appendices aimed at strengthening the research results and individual provisions in the term paper.

A list of used sources is included at the end of the course paper. The literature on the topic of the course paper should have a cognitive value for the study and understanding of the corresponding AC. Therefore, the list should include monographs, articles from scientific journals, textbooks

recommended by educational and work programs, documentary and information sources, etc. The use of only educational or methodical literature is an indicator of low quality of work performance

6. PROCEDURE FOR THE DEFENSE OF COURSE PAPERS

The course paper prepared in accordance with the requirements is independently checked by the executor for the presence of illegal borrowings using one of the software tools offered by the department. At the same time, all participants must be guided by the Code of Academic Integrity of Lesya Ukrainka University. The report on the results of the inspection, together with the coursework, is submitted to the academic supervisor for the preparation of feedback/review. The defense is conducted in front of a committee consisting of 2-3 teachers of graduate departments with the direct participation of the coursework supervisor. The result of the coursework defense is evaluated on a 100-point scale.

When defending a course paper, the following is taken into account:

- the ability of the student of higher education to clearly formulate the purpose of the work, to briefly and easily explain the essence of the work, to draw correct conclusions from it, language literacy;
- the ability of the student of higher education to adhere to the regulations;
- the ability to clearly and succinctly answer questions on the topic of the course work;
- quality of work design.

Course paper is kept at the department for three years, then it is written off in accordance with the established procedure

7. GRADING SCALE

Total points for all types of educational activities	Assessment on a national scale
90 – 100	Perfectly
82 – 89	Very good
75 – 81	Fine
67 -74	Satisfactorily
60 – 66	Enough
1 – 59	Unsatisfactorily

8. RECOMMENDED LITERATURE AND INTERNET RESOURCES

Methodological support:

1. Shuliak A. Info-analytic support for ukrainian-polish cross-border cooperation : a case study of euro-regions *Codrul Cosminului*. Issue 2, (Vol. 26) / 2020, P. 431-454, DOI: <https://doi.org/10.4316/CC.2020.02.007>.

2. Shuliak A. Pavlikha N., Skorokhod I., Tymbaliuk I., Voichuk M. Security of Sustainable Development in the Post-Pandemic Crisis on the Basis of an Inclusive Circular Econom VIII International Scientific Conference on Determinants of Regional Development Pila, 21-22 October 2021. n. 2, p. 234-245, dec. 2021. <http://pes.pwsz.pila.pl/index.php/proceedings/article/view/198> . DOI: 10.14595/CP/02/014.

3. Shuliak A. Shuliak N. Institutional support for ukrainian-polish cross-border cooperation within the framework of euro-regions «Carpathian» and «Bug». *Środkowoeuropejskie Studia Polityczne* [Central European political studies]. Wydawnictwo Naukowe WNPiD UAM, Poznań, #2, 2021, P. 79-98.

4. Shuliak A. Using public diplomacy for creating international peace and security on the example of Poland and Sweden. *Torun International Studies*. Vol 1, No 13, 2020, p.165-175. DOI: 10.12775/TIS.2020.012.
5. Shuliak A., Konstankevych I., Kynytsky M. Use of «the other / alien» image in the strategic communications of the Russian Federation during the russian-ukrainian confrontation (2014-2021). *Przegląd Strategiczny*. Wydawnictwo Naukowe WNPiD UAM, Poznań, 2021. Issue 14. P. 195-210. DOI: 10.14746/ps.2021.1.12.
6. Митко А. М. Застосування інформаційно-комунікаційних технологій у підготовці кадрів для інформаційно-аналітичної та політичної сфер. *Інформаційні технології і засоби навчання*. 2018. № 65(3). С. 291-303. DOI: 10.33407/itlt.v65i3.2004.
7. Митко А. М. Пропаганда й маніпуляції в інформаційній сфері. *Науковий вісник Східноєвропейського національного університету імені Лесі Українки*. Луцьк : Вежа-Друк, 2018. № 1 (374). С. 59-64.
8. Новітня політична лексика (неологізми, okazionalizmi та інші новотвори) / І. Я. Вдовичин, Л. Я. Угрин, Г. В. Шипунов та ін. ; за заг. ред. Н. М. Хоми. Львів : «Новий Світ–2000», 2020. 492 с.
9. Політологія : сучасні терміни і поняття. Короткий навчальний словник-довідник для здобувачів ВНЗ I-IV рівнів акредитації. 3-тє видання, виправлене і доповнене укладач В. М. Піча, наук. редакція Л. Д. Климанської, Я. Б. Турчин, Н. М. Хоми. Львів : Новий Світ –2000, 2020. 516 с.
10. Шуляк А. М. Інформаційно-аналітична діяльність у міжнародних відносинах : навч. посіб. / Антоніна Миколаївна Шуляк; 2-е вид., перероб. і доп. Луцьк : Вежа-друк, 2020. 274 с. Затверджено вченою радою СНУ ім. Лесі Українки від 28.11.2019 р.
11. Шуляк А. М. Польсько-українське прикордоння: співробітництво, інститути, проекти, програми. Кейс для єврорегіонів «Карпати» та «Буг». Становлення та розвиток співробітництва України з країнами Вишеградської групи: колективна монографія / за ред. І. І. Іваненка. Одеса : Видавничий дім «Гельветика», 2021. 252 с.
12. Шуляк А. М. Тенденції міграційних процесів як чинника підвищення конфліктогенності. *Міжнародні відносини, суспільні комунікації та регіональні студії*. Луцьк : Вежа-Друк, 2021. №1(9). С. 333-344 DOI 10.29038/2524-2679-2021-01-333-344.