## The list of issues for the BA exam on the INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS Academic Year 2021/2022

## **GENERAL MODULES**

- 1. Identify and discuss the political causes of the First World War
- 2. Characterize and compare European authoritarian regimes in the interwar period (Italy, Germany, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics)
- 3. Discuss the concepts of collective security in the interwar period (League of Nations, Briand-Kellog Pact, Little Entante, Pact of Four)
- 4. Explain the concept of the US Good Neighborhood Policy in 1933-1939
- 5. The definition, role and examples of subcultures in modern societies
- 6. Sociological explanations of deviance
- 7. Populism a threat or corrective to democracy?
- 8. Define the concept of management and roles of a manager.
- 9. Compare formal and informal dimensions of management and organization.
- 10. Negotiation styles: hard, soft, principled
- 11. BATNA and ZOPA in negotiations definitions and practical examples
- 12. Four pillars of power: a geopolitical perspective
- 13. Describe key attributes of political geography
- 14. Present the main sources of international law. Describe a selected group of sources in detail
- 15. Describe three selected methods peaceful settlement of international disputes
- 16. Constitutive and the declaratory theory of recognition differences
- 17. Traditional and new approaches to international security: state-centric v. human-centric security approach
- 18. Aims of the Post-War system of international security: arms control, disarmament, nonproliferation
- 19. Philosophy ways of defining
- 20. Community-individual relations in Politea (The Republic) by Plato
- 21. Compare the constitutional and political position of both houses of parliament in a federal and unitary states
- 22. Compare the parliamentary and presidential systems with the examples of the British and US systems
- 23. Compare the constitutional and political position of the head of state in the presidential, semi-presidential and parliamentary systems
- 24. Shortly characterize main theoretical approaches in International Relations: Liberalism, Realism, Constructivism and Neomarxism
- 25. In what ways domestic politics can influence state's foreign policy

## SPECIALIZATION MODULES

- 1. The Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) members and areas of activity
- 2. Belt and Road Initiative in Central Asia opportunities and challenges
- 3. Civil society in European Union's policy to Central Asia
- 4. Explain foundations of social diversity in the Middle East region
- 5. Present the main causes and consequences of the Arab Spring
- 6. Contrast and compare so-called Asia values and Western values
- 7. Characterize one territorial dispute in the Asia-Pacific region.
- 8. Briefly describe three regional organizations in the Asia-Pacific region.
- 9. Describe Xi Jinping's "China Dream"

- 10. Varieties of Capitalism: liberal and coordinated market economies
- 11. Define and briefly describe crimes of mass atrocity in international conflicts.
- 12. Define and characterise the R2P principle
- 13. What are the benefits and drawbacks of a quantitative approach in IR research?
- 14. What are the characteristics of heuristic models of power? Provide an example of such a model.
- 15. What is the Hierarchy of Evidence, which type of research provides the highest and lowest reliability?