

**Master's entrance exam program  
in the direction of education 41.04.04 «Political Science»  
in the discipline «Political Science»  
(2025)**

When answering theoretical questions, the applicant must:

- demonstrate relevant knowledge of a political nature, including knowledge of relevant conceptual documents and regulatory legal acts;
- demonstrate a deep understanding of the relevance of the affected problems, including from the point of view of socio-economic, political, socio-cultural and information processes which are taking place in the modern Russia and in the modern world;
- sequentially and logically structure the material with the necessary logical and semantic transitions between blocks;
- demonstrate fluency in the conceptual apparatus and conceptual and theoretical foundations of the issue under consideration;
- correctly and logically use special terminology;
- use original and subject-related examples.

**Theoretical questions**

1. Russia as a state-civilization: origin, basic features, geopolitical perspectives.
2. Value foundations of Russian statehood.
3. The originality of the political culture of Russia.
4. National interests in the basic strategic planning documents of the Russian Federation.
5. Foreign policy of the Russian Federation: main directions, institutions and principles of implementation
6. The phenomenon of Russophobia: historical origins and political use in the modern world.
7. Russian civic national-state identity: current features and future transformation.
8. Features of political leadership in Russia.
9. Comparative analysis in political science. Traditional and modern methods of comparative politics: opportunities and limitations.
10. The basic values of the political culture of modern states: Russia, East, West.
11. Globalism, anti-globalism, alter-globalism: approaches to the formation of a new world order.
12. International relations theories: analytical functions and political conditioning.
13. West and non-West in modern international relations. The concept of “world majority”.

14. The struggle for a new world order in the 21st century. Contours of a future multipolar world.
15. Geopolitics as scientific discipline and its status in the modern world.
16. Artificial intelligence technologies in modern politics: opportunities, challenges, prospects.
17. The influence of digitalization processes on the mechanisms of worldview formation.
18. International relations and the world order in the context of digital technological transformations.
19. Morality and politics in the modern world.
20. New challenges and threats to the national security of modern Russia.
21. Integration and desintegration processes in the post-Soviet space: current situation and future prospects.

## Recommended literature

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