INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL ECONOMY AND DEVELOPMENT (M.A.)

Requirements

Completion of twelve courses (36 credits) beyond the bachelor’s degree is required, including four core courses (12 credits), one quantitative methods course (3 credits), and seven electives (21 credits). Satisfactory completion of an internship for those lacking relevant professional experience and a comprehensive examination are also required.

Full-time students can complete the program in three semesters while part-time students can complete the program in two years, including two summers.

Curriculum

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1 Students who lack intermediate training in microeconomics and macroeconomics must take ECON 5011 Economic Analysis.
2 Depending on the student’s preparation, permission may be granted to take a more advanced quantitative methods course in place of Applied Econometrics.
3 Information about concentrations can be found below.

Core Courses

The two economics courses and the two political science courses must be chosen from two of the available fields, as listed above. It is recommended, but not required, that the student cover all three fields. Depending on the student’s preparation, the director may grant permission to take a more advanced level course instead of a particular core course. The student, however, should be aware that the comprehensive examination is based primarily on the material presented in the economic and political science core courses.

Concentrations

International Development Studies

This specialization is designed to prepare individuals for work with relief and development organizations as project managers in both the non-profit and government sector.

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Foreign Language and Overseas Experience

Most development organizations require professional proficiency in a foreign language as well as overseas experience. Students in this specialization should use their summer after their first year of study to intern overseas in a developing country with an appropriate non-profit or government agency. Please be aware of IPED’s Language Immersion.
Study Awards, Summer Internship Stipends and International Peace and Development Travel Scholarships.

**International Banking and Finance**

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These four courses are required to earn the specialization:

The following are additional recommendations:

- CISC 6950
- ECON 5040 Strategic Financial Management
- ECON 5450 Crises, Adjustment and Poverty
- ECON 5540 Emerging Markets
- ECON 5541 Emerging Mkts: South Africa
- ECON 6480 Environmental and Resource Economics
- ECON 6560 International Finance
- ECON 6950 Financial Econometrics
- ECON 6240 Financial Economics
- FNGB 7460 Portfolio Management
- FNGB 7431 Options & Futures Mkts
- FNGB 7433 Fixed Income Analysis
- POSC 6991 Political Risk Analysis

1 The Project Accounting requirement may be waived if the student possesses a background in accounting.

**Global Environmental and Resources Economics**

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**International and Developmental Economics**

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The following foundational courses may also be taken:

- ECON 5011 Economic Analysis

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