

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

Course	Title	Credits
Core: Political Science		
Two courses taken from two different categories:		6
<i>Foundational</i>		
POSC 5500	Comparative Pol Analysis	
POSC 5600	Analysis of Int'l Pol	
<i>International</i>		
POSC 6640	Pol of Global Econ Rel	
<i>Development</i>		
POSC 6530	Political Economy of Development	
Core: Economics		
Two courses taken from two different categories:		6
<i>Foundational</i>		
ECON 5011	Economic Analysis ¹	
ECON 5500	Financial Analysis	
<i>International</i>		
ECON 5510	International Economic Policy	
ECON 5515	International Monetary Policy	
<i>Developmental</i>		
ECON 5015	Economic Development Policy	
ECON 5450	Crises, Adjustment and Poverty	
Core: Quantitative		
ECON 6910	Applied Econometrics	3
Electives		
Four concentration courses ²		12
Three free electives ³		9
Practical Training ⁴		
Comprehensive Examination ⁵		
Total Credits		36

¹ Depending on the student's preparation, permission may be granted to take a more advanced economics course in place of ECON 5011 Economic Analysis.

² Information about concentrations can be found below.

³ Free electives should be chosen in consultation with an advisor.

⁴ Information on the Practical Training requirement is available on the Fordham website.

⁵ More information on the comprehensive examination can be found on our page on the Fordham website.

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.

Course	Title	Credits
Core		
Please take the following two courses as part of your core requirement		
ECON 5015	Economic Development Policy	3
POSC 6530	Political Economy of Development	3
Electives		
Please take the Project Management Practicum as part of your concentration courses		
IPED 6740	Project Accounting	1
IPED 6750	Project Design	1
IPED 6760	Project Proposal Development	1
ECON 5771	Project Assessment	3
In addition, the following two courses are highly recommended		
ECON 6460	Agriculture and Development	3
ECON 6440	Development Economics	3
For your remaining two electives, choice from the following is suggested		
ECON 5260	Epidemics and Development Policy	
ECON 6480	Environmental and Resource Economics	
ECON 6490	Foreign Aid and Development	
ECON 5450	Crises, Adjustment and Poverty	
ECON 6470	Growth and Development	
SOCI 6100	Classical Social Theory	

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

Course	Title	Credits
These four courses are required to earn the specialization:		
IPED 6740	Project Accounting ¹	1
ECON 5500	Financial Analysis	3
ECON 5551	Domestic and International Banking	3
ECON 5570	Global Financial Markets	3
The following are additional recommendations:		
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.

ECON 6910	Applied Econometrics	3
The following are other subject-pertinent courses		
ECON 5020	African Economic Development	3
ECON 5260	Epidemics and Development Policy	3
ECON 5415	Gender & Economic Development	3
ECON 5450	Crises, Adjustment and Poverty	3
ECON 5500	Financial Analysis	3
ECON 5540	Emerging Markets	3
ECON 5541	Emerging Mkts: South Africa	3
ECON 5551	Domestic and International Banking	3
ECON 5570	Global Financial Markets	3
ECON 5771	Project Assessment	3
ECON 6240	Financial Economics	3
ECON 6440	Development Economics	3
ECON 6460	Agriculture and Development	3
ECON 6470	Growth and Development	3
ECON 6480	Environmental and Resource Economics	3
ECON 6490	Foreign Aid and Development	3
ECON 6510	International Trade	3
ECON 6560	International Finance	3
ECON 6950	Financial Econometrics	3

Global Environmental and Resources Economics

Course	Title	Credits
Please take the following courses, from both core and elective requirements		
ECON 6480	Environmental and Resource Economics	3
ECON 6460	Agriculture and Development	3
	or ECON 5260	Epidemics and Development Policy
ECON 5015	Economic Development Policy	3
ECON 5510	International Economic Policy	3
ECON 5515	International Monetary Policy	3
ECON 6910	Applied Econometrics	3
An additional two electives pertinent to the subject		

International and Developmental Economics

Course	Title	Credits
These four courses are strongly recommended		
ECON 5015	Economic Development Policy	3
ECON 5510	International Economic Policy	3
ECON 5515	International Monetary Policy	3
ECON 6910	Applied Econometrics	3
The following foundational courses may also be taken:		
ECON 5011	Economic Analysis	3
ECON 5710	Mathematical Analysis in Economics	3
ECON 6010	Microeconomic Theory I	3
ECON 6020	Macroeconomic Theory I	3