



NEW YORK UNIVERSITY  
SCHOOL OF CONTINUING  
AND PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN  
**GLOBAL AFFAIRS**

CENTER FOR GLOBAL AFFAIRS

# MASTER OF SCIENCE IN GLOBAL AFFAIRS

NYU's **Master of Science in Global Affairs** curriculum provides a professional edge for careers in the international arena and prepares students to confront and find solutions to the unique challenges of a modern world defined by economic uncertainty, cultural clashes, new and emerging world powers, and socio-political transformations. Our aim is to create an engaged community of global citizens who are equipped with the tools to think critically, listen and communicate empathetically, and lead intelligently and confidently.

Offered through the **NYU Center for Global Affairs**, the M.S. in Global Affairs provides a 21st century global context for understanding critical issues in politics, business, economics, dispute settlement, law, human rights, energy, the environment, and related areas. Knowledge of these subjects is essential preparation for careers in virtually every sector: international or nongovernmental organizations (NGOs), the United Nations and its affiliated agencies, diplomatic missions, foreign offices, government agencies, international business, press and media, law firms, foundations, and a host of allied institutions and professions.

## AN EXCEPTIONAL DEGREE PROGRAM

The M.S. in Global Affairs offers a multidisciplinary and pragmatic learning environment, placing the requisite academic theory of global affairs into a practical, real-world perspective. Focusing on the political, economic, cultural, and legal contexts of global transactions, the program extends beyond a traditional examination of state-to-state diplomacy, political economy, and international relations to provide students with a broad framework for understanding the many actors that impact the modern global community—including non-state actors such as international and nongovernmental organizations, corporations, religious groups, local militias, and terrorists, among others.

Coursework covers subjects ranging from economic globalization and the issues facing developing countries to conflict resolution, global security, and international law. Upon completing the program, students have the knowledge and tools necessary to understand today's complex interconnected society and to lead effectively within it.

For more information on the M.S. in Global Affairs curriculum, faculty, and events, visit [www.scps.nyu.edu/cga.msga](http://www.scps.nyu.edu/cga.msga).



## IN AND OF THE CITY

Through class assignments, research, and a final project, students learn from global leaders and perfect their skills in one of the world's most vibrant international communities—New York City. Our location in the preeminent global city allows us to attract distinguished faculty members and guest lecturers from the media, the UN, the private sector, government, and NGOs who share their expertise and provide advice on career opportunities. For those interested in a career with a global dimension, New York City and NYU's carefully maintained relationships with key actors on the international stage provide a living laboratory that enhances the graduate experience while helping build extraordinary professional relationships.

“I’ve met many influential people who make things happen in the field by attending some of the diverse public events, activities, and lectures sponsored by the Center for Global Affairs.”

Briony MacPhee,  
program administrator,  
International Center for  
Transitional Justice; alumna,  
M.S. in Global Affairs, 2006



## ABOUT THE NYU SCHOOL OF CONTINUING AND PROFESSIONAL STUDIES (NYU-SCPS)

The Center for Global Affairs is one of several comprehensive academic divisions within NYU-SCPS. Established in 1934, the School is one of NYU's 14 schools and colleges dedicated to academic excellence and innovation. NYU-SCPS captures the expertise of key sectors where New York leads globally: Real Estate; Hospitality, Tourism, and Sports Management; Global Affairs; Philanthropy; Communications Media, Publishing, Digital Arts, and Design; Business, Marketing, and Finance; and the Liberal and Allied Arts, among others. Vibrant professional and academic networks attract full-time undergraduate and graduate students immersed in university life, working professionals in 14 graduate programs, and New Yorkers and visiting students of all backgrounds enrolled in 2,500 continuing education courses, certificate programs, conferences, and seminars annually. NYU-SCPS is widely considered to be the most complete example of NYU's founding commitment to be “In and of the City”—and of the World.





“Our mission at the Center for Global Affairs is straightforward: to create a community of global citizens—a community of individuals capable of changing the world.”

Vera Jelinek, divisional dean and clinical associate professor, Center for Global Affairs

## M.S. IN GLOBAL AFFAIRS CURRICULUM

The M.S. in Global Affairs is a flexible 42-credit program that can be completed in two years of full-time study or two and a half to five years of part-time study. Classes are held in the afternoon and evening so students may work or intern in the field.

The program teaches the fundamentals of global affairs through a required core curriculum and a choice of five concentration areas to match individual interests. In the final semester, a graduate thesis or capstone project serves to complete the degree.

The curriculum is frequently updated to ensure that students learn at the leading edge of this dynamic field. For the latest information, visit [www.scps.nyu.edu/cga.msga](http://www.scps.nyu.edu/cga.msga).

### CORE COURSES

International Relations in the Post Cold War Era  
Peacemaking and Peacebuilding  
Developing Countries in the Global Economy  
International Political Economy  
International Law  
Global Civil Society

### REGIONAL STUDY COURSES (CHOOSE ONE)

Inside Latin America  
Europe in the 21st Century  
Inside Africa Today  
Asia Today: An Introduction  
The Contemporary Middle East  
Transformations in Central Asia: A Global Context

### CONCENTRATIONS (CHOOSE ONE)\*

#### INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Security Policy: Issues and Challenges  
Conflict Assessment: Theory and Practice  
Intelligence and Counterintelligence  
International Negotiation: Cases and Lessons  
Machinery and Politics of U.S. Foreign Policy Decision Making  
Transnational Terrorism  
The Media and Global Affairs  
Public Diplomacy

#### PRIVATE SECTOR: INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS, ECONOMICS, AND DEVELOPMENT

The Emerging Markets  
Political Economy of Development  
Economic Security: Challenges, Prescriptions, and Opportunities in the Post 9/11 Era  
The Multinational Corporation:  
Economic, Political, and Managerial Perspectives  
Introduction to International Business and Finance  
Globalization and Its Impacts

*\*Partial course list. For a complete listing, visit [www.scps.nyu.edu/cga.msga](http://www.scps.nyu.edu/cga.msga).*



*CGA clinical assistant professor Michael Oppenheimer moderates a CGA public event.*

## **INTERNATIONAL LAW, DISPUTE SETTLEMENT, AND INSTITUTIONS**

Contemporary Issues in World Affairs

Ethnic Conflicts

Law and Policy in International Business

International Environmental Law and Policy

International Criminal Law and Tribunals

International Dispute Settlement: Methods and Procedures

International Trade Law and Policy

## **HUMAN RIGHTS AND HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE**

Ethics in International Affairs

Democratic Transitions: Setbacks and Successes

International Criminal Law and Tribunals

International Human Rights: Laws, Mechanisms, and Practices

Human Rights Promotion and Practice: The Role of NGOs

Issues in Humanitarian Assistance and Intervention

Refugees and Internally Displaced Persons

Gender and Civil Society

## **ENVIRONMENT/ENERGY POLICY**

International Environmental Law and Policy

Introduction to Energy Policy

Energy, Environment, and Resource Security

The Geopolitics of Oil

The Economics and Finance of Energy

Energy and the Environment

Sustainable Development

## **ELECTIVES AND STUDY ABROAD**

*Choose two courses from any concentration or from the list below.*

China at a Crossroads: Political, Economic, and Social Change

Cuba in the World: An Intercambio

Ghana: A Case Study in Development

International Organizations: Focus on Geneva

## **FINAL SEMESTER PROJECT**

Graduate Thesis or Capstone Project





## A COMMUNITY OF SCHOLARS AND PROFESSIONALS

With the largest international student population of any university in the country and a faculty that represents a similar diversity in background and education, NYU's classrooms come alive with cultural, professional, and intellectual discourse. Some students in the M.S. in Global Affairs already work in the field, while others are setting forth on a new career path.

The faculty and advisory board at the Center for Global Affairs are current and former senior officers of the UN; international lawyers with expertise in trade, human rights, and environmental issues; leaders of organizations engaged in refugee relief and human rights; diplomats; activists; historians; economists; and energy experts. Many of our faculty have served on special assignments abroad, including peacekeeping missions, election monitoring, sanction enforcement, and the advancement of women's rights. Their substantive experience heightens awareness of emerging issues and helps students succeed in this dynamic field. Nearly 20 percent of our students come from outside the U.S.

Interaction with the faculty does not end in the classroom. As innovators with an active role in the international community and experience that spans the breadth of global affairs, they share their expertise through advisement, mentoring, conferences, and professional networking. For more information about the Center for Global Affairs faculty and advisory board, visit [www.scps.nyu.edu/cga.faculty](http://www.scps.nyu.edu/cga.faculty).



New York Times columnist Nicholas Kristof discusses the global challenge of human trafficking with Julia Ormond, actress and UNODC Goodwill Ambassador at a CGA public event.

## NETWORKING AND PROFESSIONAL EVENTS

The Center for Global Affairs connects students to industry and academic leaders through a provocative and diverse series of public and student events that approach global affairs through a variety of lenses, such as film, journalism, art, economics, history, politics, law, and international relations. Programs draw on the talents of NYU's 14 schools and colleges, the greater New York City community, and leaders from around the world.

Recently, students attended a special roundtable commemorating World AIDS Day; conversations with journalists from leading publications such as the *New York Times*, the *Washington Post*, and *Foreign Affairs*; discussions with ambassadors from Afghanistan, Iraq, Pakistan, and the European Union; as well as screenings of films from around the world. For more information, visit [www.scps.nyu.edu/cga.events](http://www.scps.nyu.edu/cga.events).

## PROSPECTS FOR GRADUATES

Our students go on to assume leadership positions in every sector. One year after graduation, our students had a 95 percent employment rate, with 30 percent working for NGOs and 36 percent in the private sector. Nine percent were working in government, four percent in international law, and another four percent in energy/environmental organizations.\* In every case, our graduates are dedicating their careers to tackling some of the most pressing issues of our time.

A sampling of current positions held by our alumni include assistant director of special projects, Council on Foreign Relations; partner, Deloitte & Touche, LLP; economic assistant, International Monetary Fund; research analyst, Energy Intelligence Group; senior manager, William J. Clinton Foundation; associate analyst, Moody's Corporation; political risk underwriter, AIG Global Trade & Political Risk; program administrator, International Center for Transitional Justice.

*\*Data from spring 2007 alumni survey, with 83 percent response rate.*

## ADMISSION

We seek individuals who are confident in their ability to master the material, have strong written and oral communication skills, and have the courage to ask challenging questions. Preference is given to applicants with related experience. For detailed information on admission requirements and application deadlines, or to apply online, visit [www.scps.nyu.edu/gradadmissions](http://www.scps.nyu.edu/gradadmissions) or call (212) 998-7100.

## FINANCIAL AID

Aid for graduate students at NYU-SCPS is available in many forms. Fellowships, merit scholarships, and loans are based on financial need, academic merit, or both. We work with members of the lending community to provide qualified students with low-interest education loan options, including loans for international students. It is recommended that students file for aid as early in the admissions process as possible. Decisions on financial aid are made after admission to NYU. For more information on financial aid opportunities and deadlines, visit [www.nyu.edu/financial.aid](http://www.nyu.edu/financial.aid).

## THE CENTER FOR GLOBAL AFFAIRS AT NYU-SCPS

The NYU-SCPS Center for Global Affairs educates and inspires students to become global citizens capable of identifying and implementing solutions to pressing global challenges. We offer students a variety of unique study options and events, whether they are interested in a career in the international arena or simply want a better understanding of today's complex global landscape. We strive to foster a dialogue about global affairs that is accessible, relevant, provocative, creative, and of the highest caliber possible so that our constituents may become effective agents of change and leaders on the world stage. The center offers a range of programs including:

- Master of Science in Global Affairs
- Continuing education courses and a professional certificate that provide a solid foundation in international affairs, an excellent preparation for graduate school, the tools to understand a complex and evolving world
- Public events that bring top scholars and industry professionals to the Center for Global Affairs to discuss global issues from a variety of perspectives

**For more information about the NYU-SCPS Center for Global Affairs, call (212) 998-7171 or visit [www.scps.nyu.edu/global.affairs](http://www.scps.nyu.edu/global.affairs).**

**“NYU offers a rich learning environment that is truly unique and global. The faculty, students, and guests come from various ethnic, religious, and professional backgrounds, which leads to exciting ideas and debate.”**

**Mike Moen, managing partner, Cocidius Capital Partners; alumnus, M.S. in Global Affairs, 2006**





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