

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN GLOBAL AFFAIRS

Global Affairs

The Division of Global Affairs (DGA) offers a Master of Science in Global Affairs—a multidisciplinary field concerned with theoretically informed, problem-oriented approaches to transnational issues and their interaction with local issues.

Degree Requirements

Forty (40) credits are required for the degree of Master of Science in Global Affairs. All students must complete:

- six Core Courses with grades of B (3.0) or higher,
- two semesters of the Colloquium on Global Change and Governance with grades of Pass,
- one methodology course,
- a Specialization in a subfield of global affairs,
- the language requirement, and
- 15 additional credits, which may be acquired from the Optional Courses listed below, as well as from Internships, Independent Study courses, or the Master's Thesis.

Students must maintain a grade point average of 3.0 or higher in all non-language courses taken at Rutgers University, in order to acquire the M.S. If a student's academic performance falls below the expected standard, the Graduate School-Newark may refuse the student the right of future registration and terminate studies. Students with an insufficiently high grade point average may submit an appeal to the DGA Director.

Change of Program

Students wishing to change their field or degree program must obtain the requisite form from the Office of the Dean of the Graduate School-Newark, Hill Hall, Rm. 401, submit it to the graduate program directors for approval, and return it to the Office of the Dean for final authorization. The fall-term deadline is July 1; the spring-term deadline is December 1.

From the M.S. to the Ph.D.

Students who complete the M.S. degree at the DGA may use all relevant accrued credits (with grades of B or higher) to fulfill the requirements of the Ph.D. in Global Affairs—if they first submit a complete application and are admitted into the doctoral program. M.S. students in Global Affairs may not automatically transfer into the

Ph.D. program.

M.S. “en Route” to the Ph.D.

Ph.D. students may also acquire the M.S. en route to a doctoral degree. In order to do so, Ph.D. students must receive the permission of the DGA Graduate Program Director, pass the Ph.D. Comprehensive Examination, fulfill all M.S. requirements, complete three forms (Application for Admission to Candidacy for the Master's Degree, Graduate Diploma Application for Newark Students, and Application for Admission to Candidacy for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy), and submit them to the Office of the Dean of the Graduate School-Newark, Hill Hall, Rm. 401.

Grades

Courses taken in fulfillment of the M.S. are graded in the following manner:

- All Core Courses, courses taken in fulfillment of the Methodology requirement, optional courses, and Independent Study courses receive letter grades. Instructors provide grades for Core Courses, Methodology courses, and optional courses; DGA faculty members supervising students' Independent Study provide grades for Independent Study courses.
- The Colloquium for Global Change and Governance and Internships receive Pass/Fail grades. Faculty members organizing Colloquium for Global Change and Governance provide grades for the Colloquia; students' DGA faculty advisors provide grades for Internships.
- The Master's Thesis receives grades of S (satisfactory) or U (unsatisfactory). Students' DGA faculty advisors and one other DGA core faculty member provide grades for Master's Theses.

Faculty Advisors

The DGA Graduate Program Director advises students on requirements for the M.S. program. All other questions should be addressed to faculty advisors.

Faculty advisors are DGA core faculty members who are assigned to all incoming DGA graduate students in the M.S. program. Faculty advisors provide intellectual and academic guidance, approve and provide grades for

Internships, provide grades for Master's Theses, and approve Independent Study courses. Students may acquire a different faculty advisor—e.g., one more compatible with their research interests—with the approval of the DGA Graduate Program Director.

Complaints and Appeals

All complaints about any aspect of the DGA program or appeals regarding a student's standing in the program must be directed, in writing, to the DGA Director.

Time Limits

Students must complete their degrees within three years of admission into the M.S. program—regardless of whether students are part-time or full-time and regardless of whether they entered the DGA with or without transfer credits. Students who fail to meet this deadline will be forced to withdraw from graduate studies at the DGA. Readmission will be possible only if students show new and substantial progress in their work. See Termination of Studies in the *Graduate School-Newark Catalog*.

Readmission

The Office of the Dean of the Graduate School-Newark, Hill Hall, Rm. 401, handles all applications by former students seeking readmission to the school. The readmission procedure is required of all students who 1) have withdrawn officially from school; 2) did not receive a degree in the program for which they were enrolled; or 3) failed to maintain continuous registration through course work or Matriculation Continued status.

Leave of Absence

Students who wish to take a leave of absence from their studies must make a formal request in writing. The leave must then be approved by the DGA Graduate Program Director and the Office of the Dean of the Graduate School-Newark, Hill Hall, Rm. 401. Students who take a leave of absence must register for Matriculation Continued.

Matriculation Continued

Students who are obliged to interrupt their studies and students who wish to maintain their student status while away from the campus may, with the approval of the DGA Graduate Program Director, register for Matriculation Continued. There is no tuition fee for this registration, although a student fee is charged.

Transfer Credits

Graduate courses completed at other universities or in other departments or schools at Rutgers University may be accepted for credit at the DGA. Students must first complete 12 credits with a grade of B or higher at the DGA and then submit a Transfer Credit Application (available at the DGA and the Office of the Dean of the Graduate School-Newark, Hill Hall, Rm. 401), which must be approved by the DGA Graduate Program Director.

- Students who complete the M.S. degree at the DGA may use all relevant accrued credits (with grades of B or higher) to fulfill the requirements of the Ph.D. in Global Affairs.
- Up to 12 credits of graduate-level course work (with grades of B or higher) completed at the New Brunswick or Camden campuses of Rutgers University or at institutions other than Rutgers may be applied to the M.S.
- Up to 12 credits of graduate-level course work (with grades of B or higher) completed at Rutgers-Newark in departments other than Global Affairs may be applied to the M.S.
- All graduate-level courses count for no more than 3 credits apiece.
- Transfer credit may not be obtained for theses, independent study, or research.
- Transfer credits may not be applied to required Core Courses in the M.S. program.
- Three transfer credits may, with the approval of the DGA Graduate Program Director, be acquired for significant and relevant professional experience and applied toward an Internship. Credits granted for professional experience may be acquired in addition to the maximum number of transfer credits that can be applied to the respective degrees.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

- **Core Courses** (18 credits)

Students must take one course from six of the eight topic areas listed below.

Students must complete all six Core Courses with grades of B (3.0) or higher in each in order to remain in

the program. Students who do not receive a grade of B or higher in some Core Course must either retake it or take another Core Course from within one of the eight topic areas.

All core requirements must be completed at the DGA. Transfer credits may not be used in fulfillment of core requirements.

1) *Forms of Global Governance*

26:790:521. Theories of Global Politics
26:478:537. Global Governance

2) *International Law*

26:478:584. Introduction to International Law

3) *Environmental Issues in Global Perspective*

26:790:530. Environmental Politics and Policy
26:478:538. Global Environmental Issues
EvSc 615. Global Environmental Problems (NJIT)
EPS 622. Sustainable Development (NJIT)

4) *Global Business*

26:553:601. Theory of International Business
26:553:602. History of International Business

5) *Global Political Economy*

26:478:541. Global Political Economy
26:790:541. International Political Economy

6) *The Global System in Historical Perspective*

26:478:572. Evolution of the Global System

7) *Culture and Identity in a Global Context*

26:478:573. Culture, Globalization, and Political Violence
26:478:573. Culture and Globalization
26:478:585. Social Movements and Globalization
26:790:543. Cross-National Perspectives on Race and Ethnicity in Politics
26:790:544. Comparative Social Movements

8) *International Economics*

26:220:518. International Economics I
26:220:519. International Economics II

- **Colloquium on Global Change and Governance** (4 credits)

Students must complete two semesters of the Colloquium. Each 2-credit sequence (26:478:570, 571, 573, 574) consists of a series of seminars on a topic or geographical area of current significance. The Colloquium is graded on a Pass/Fail basis. Grades are provided by the professor organizing the Colloquium.

Students are encouraged to attend—on a non-credit, non-registered basis—as many Colloquia on Global Change and Governance as possible, but only 4 credits may be counted toward the M.S. degree.

- **Methodology Requirement** (3 credits)

Students must complete one 3-credit methodology course—either by taking a relevant graduate-level course at Rutgers-Newark or by transferring graduate-level credits from another graduate-level institution. The following courses offered at Rutgers-Newark are recommended:

- 26:220:506. Statistical Analysis
- 26:220:507. Econometrics I
- 26:478:533. Research Methods in Political Science
- 26:510:571. Introduction to Historical Method
- 26:510:571. Philosophy of History
- 26:620:557. Social Science Research Methods
- 26:620:660. Qualitative Research Methods
- 26:620:685. Econometrics for the Social Sciences
- 26:630:685. Event Data in the Social Sciences
- 26:630:660. Qualitative Research Methods
- 26:834:561. Analytical Methods
- 26:834:607. Quantitative Methods
- 26:834:609. Qualitative Methods in Public Administration
- 26:988:570. Feminist Research and Methods
- 27:202:641. Advanced Statistical Methods
- 27:202:648. Qualitative Research Methods

- **Specializations** (9 credits)

M.S. students must complete a Specialization in one of the following areas:

- Comparative Policy and Public Administration
- Environment
- Global Business and Economics
- Global Media
- Global Political Economy
- Human Rights
- Identities: Gender, Ethnicity, Race, and Class
- Information Technology
- International Law

- Political Violence
- Terrorism and Global Security

A Specialization requires completion of 9 credits of course work based on:

- courses explicitly dealing with the areas of specialization (see Core Courses and Optional Courses),
- Independent Study courses,
- a Master's Thesis,
- graduate-level courses *not* explicitly dealing with the areas of specialization, taken with the approval of the student's advisor, for which students complete (and receive a grade of B or higher for) a global-affairs oriented paper on their topic of Specialization.

Course work taken toward the Specialization may also fulfill other degree requirements. In particular, Core Courses may fulfill the Specialization requirement.

- **Language Requirement**

All M.S. students must demonstrate, at any time during their course of study at Rutgers-Newark, reading knowledge of at least one modern language other than English. Reading knowledge involves comprehension of global affairs issues. Students can demonstrate reading knowledge:

- by completing four semesters of a language at Rutgers University or other accredited institutions;
- by passing reading-knowledge examinations at Rutgers University (administered by the DGA) or other accredited institutions; or
- by demonstrating that they are native speakers of some language.

Language courses do not count toward the credits necessary for an M.S.

- **15 Additional Credits**

The remaining 15 credits toward the M.S. degree may be acquired from the Optional Courses listed below, as well as from Internships, Independent Study courses, or the Master's Thesis, described below. All these courses must either deal explicitly with global affairs or have a significant global-affairs component.

Optional Courses at Rutgers-Newark and NJIT

The courses listed below—which may or may not be offered every year—are cross-listed with a variety of

schools and departments at Rutgers-Newark and the New Jersey Institute of Technology (NJIT). Since new courses are developed annually, this list is not complete.

Students interested in taking an unlisted course should first seek the DGA Graduate Program Director's approval. Unlisted courses fulfill M.S. requirements only if they either deal explicitly with global affairs or have a significant global-affairs component.

Law

- 23:600:638. International Law and a Just World Order
- 23:600:645. Law and Philosophy
- 23:600:650. Controlling Weapons of Mass Destruction
- 23:600:660. Internet Law
- 23:600:671. Comparative Law
- 23:600:679. International Intellectual Property
- 23:600:681. Environmental Law
- 23:600:686. International Environmental Law and Sustainable Development
- 23:600:713. International Trade Regulations
- 23:600:750. European Union Law
- 23:600:756. International Business Transactions
- 23:600:757. Genocide Seminar
- 23:600:758. Science and International Law
- 23:600:786. International Human Rights Seminar
- 23:600:789. Law and the Humanities

Biology

- 26:120:543. Environmental Microbiology
- 26:120:551. Biology of Pollution
- 26:120:586. Landscape Ecology

Economics

- 26:220:501. Microeconomic Theory
- 26:220:502. Macroeconomic Theory
- 26:220:511. History of Economic Thought
- 26:220:515. Economics of the Public Sector
- 26:220:518. International Economics I
- 26:220:519. International Economics II

English

- 26:350:508. Critical Theories
- 26:350:562. The Political Novel
- 26:350:563. Women in Literature
- 26:350:564. Women's Literatures
- 26:350:568. Literary Topics in Women's and Gender Studies

Global Affairs

- 26:478:533. Research Methods in Political Science
- 26:478:537. Global Governance
- 26:478:538. Global Environmental Issues
- 26:478:541. Global Political Economy
- 26:478:572. Evolution of the Global System
- 26:478:573. Culture and Globalization

26:478:573. Culture, Globalization, and Political Violence
26:478:584. Introduction to International Law
26:478:585. Social Movements and Globalization
26:478:586. Genocide
26:478:588. India's Business Environment
26:478:596. Theory of International Business

History

26:510:515. Topics in the History of Gender
26:510:520. Topics in the History of Technology
26:510:525. Colloquium in the History of Women
26:510:527. European Political/Diplomatic History I
26:510:528. European Political/Diplomatic History II
26:510:529. European Intellectual and Cult. History I
26:510:530. European Intellectual and Cult. History II
26:510:531. U.S. Foreign Policy and Diplomacy
26:510:532. U.S. Foreign Policy and Diplomacy
26:510:545. European History since 1850 I
26:510:552. European History since 1850 II
26:510:547. Comparative World Colonialism
26:510:548. Environmental History of North America
26:510:549. Modern Latin American History
26:510:557. War, Technology, and Society
26:510:559. Cities in Change I
26:510:560. Cities in Change II
26:510:563. History of Health and International Development
26:510:567. Modern Russia I
26:510:568. Modern Russia II
26:510:573. Central European History I
26:510:574. Central European History II
26:510:589. African History I
26:510:590. African History II
26:510:594. Technology, Environment, and Medicine in World History
26:510:597. Technology, Culture, and History
26:510:598. History of Technology, Environment, and Medicine
26:510:599. Social History of Communication

Business

26:198:721. Electronic Commerce
26:553:501. Global Strategic Management
26:553:601. Theory of International Business
26:553:602. History of International Business
26:553:604. Corporate Innovation and International Business
26:553:605. National Innovation Policies and International Business
26:553:607. Global Political Economy
26:620:677. Culture and Organizations

Liberal Studies

26:606:501. From Myth to History
26:606:502. Faith, Love, and Reason

26:606:503. Revolutions and Counterrevolutions
26:606:504. Science, Ideologies, and Social Values
26:606:505. The Modern Mind
26:606:514. Myth and Mythologies
26:606:523. Law, Life, and Culture

Nursing

26:705:504. Human Diversity and Social Issues in the Community

Political Science

26:790:504. Comparative Public Policy
26:790:510. Public Policy Analysis
26:790:511. Contemporary Political Theory
26:790:512. Ethical Issues in Public Policy and Administration
26:790:513. Ethics and Global Politics
26:790:518. Modern Political Terrorism
26:790:521. Theories of Global Politics
26:790:529. Science, Technology, and Public Policy
26:790:530. Environmental Politics and Policy
26:790:533. Research Methods in Political Science
26:790:537. Global Governance
26:790:538. Global Environmental Issues
26:790:540. Gender and Global Politics
26:790:541. International Political Economy
26:790:542. Evolution of the Global System
26:790:542. Global Political Economy of Money and Finance
26:790:542. Culture and Globalization
26:790:542. Patterns of Diplomacy
26:790:543. Problems of Comparative Politics
26:790:543. Cross-National Perspectives on Race and Ethnicity in Politics
26:790:544. Comparative Social Movements
26:790:569. American Foreign Policy

Psychology

26:830:585. Psycholinguistics
26:830:613. Conflict and Resolution

Public Affairs and Administration

26:834:503. Open Information and E-Governance
26:834:506. Urban Geography
26:834:603. Public Administration in a Democratic Society

Women's Studies

26:988:532. History and Theory of Women's/Gender Studies
26:988:570. Feminist Research and Methods

Criminal Justice

27:202:511. Theories of Crime and Criminality
27:202:517. Violent Crime
27:202:536. Comparative Criminal Justice Systems

27:202:612. White Collar Crime
 27:202:614. Communities and Crime
 27:202:615. Maritime Crime and Its Prevention
 27:202:616. Environmental Crime Prevention.
 27:202:619. Organized Crime
 27:202:626. Religion and Crime
 27:202:653. Issues in Transnational Crime

NJIT

28:510:377. Cities in History
 28:534:212. The World and the West
 28:534:213. The Twentieth Century World
 28:880:308. Technology/Global Development
 28:880:312. Technology and Policy
 28:880:313. Environmental History and Politics
 28:880:316. Mass Communications, Technology, and Culture
 28:880:362. Environmental Ecosystems
 28:880:380. Coastal Environment Policy Issues
 28:905:351. International Relations
 28:905:352. Race and Ethnicity
 28:905:362. Environmental Ecosystems
 EvSc 615. Global Environmental Problems
 EPS 622. Sustainable Development
 EPS 660. Ethics of Environment

Registering for Optional Courses

- *Courses Offered by Other Graduate Divisions at Rutgers-Newark*

Students wishing to take courses offered by other graduate divisions of Rutgers-Newark must consult with the DGA Graduate Program Director and then enter the necessary registration transaction through the Rutgers Touchstone Registration System, on the web, or in person at the registrar’s office. Some courses with limited enrollment or other restrictions may require submission of a Course Approval Form (available at the DGA) to the relevant Rutgers University department or school. Once the DGA Graduate Program Director authorizes the intra-institutional graduate course, no additional permission is required by the Graduate School-Newark.

- *Courses Offered by the Rutgers School of Law*

Generally, a student in any graduate program at Rutgers can take one or more courses offered at the School of Law-Newark. The Law School has several courses addressing international issues that may be relevant to DGA students. For a list of international courses taught at the Law School, students should refer to the current Catalog at <http://catalogs.rutgers.edu/generated/nwk-law/index.html>. The Global Legal Studies brochure (available at

<http://law.newark.rutgers.edu/Global%20Legal%20Studies%20Broch.pdf>) provides a good overview of the Law School’s strengths in international law. A tentative schedule of classes for the upcoming academic year is generally available by early May at <http://law.newark.rutgers.edu/students.html>.

There are some limitations on the kinds of courses non-law students can take. First, non-law students cannot enroll in one of the Law School’s clinical courses, because students enrolled in such courses act in a professional capacity in representing, or assisting in the representation of, real clients. Second, non-law students will generally be precluded from enrolling in one of the Law School’s first-year mandatory courses (i.e., Torts, Property, Contracts, Criminal Law, Civil Procedure, and Constitutional Law). However, such courses likely have little relevance to DGA students. Third, ordinarily a student cannot enroll in a course that has a prerequisite that the student has not taken. For example, International Law is a prerequisite for many Law School courses touching upon international law. The requirement that the student take a prerequisite can be waived in appropriate circumstances (the Law School will in particular want to assure itself that the student can handle the coursework even though he or she lacks the prerequisite course). Fourth, students from outside the Law School will not be able to take courses that are over-subscribed and thus entail the selection of law students by lottery.

Non-law students enrolled in a course have to meet the requirements set by the instructor for that particular course and, in addition, comply with the general academic policies of the Law School. These include the attendance policy (a student who is not present for 80 percent of class meetings will not be permitted to sit for the final examination) and the Honor Code. Also, the Law School’s academic calendar differs from that of the rest of the University—for example, Law School semesters (and the summer session) start earlier. The Law School’s academic calendar can be found at http://law.newark.rutgers.edu/students_calendar.html.

Students from outside the Law School cannot register for Law School classes online. A student interested in taking a Law School course should meet with Assistant Dean for Student Services Andrew Rothman (973 353-5671) (or, in his absence, Associate Dean Frances Bouchoux (973 353-1714) to register for a course. Optimally, the student should begin the process 4 to 6 weeks before the relevant Law School session starts. Since many Law School courses build upon and assume certain basic knowledge of a number of the areas of law covered by the mandatory first-year classes (Torts, Property, Contracts, Criminal Law, Civil

Procedure, and Constitutional Law), students should exercise caution in enrolling in Law School courses. Students should expect Dean Rothman to discuss this issue when seeking to register for a Law School course.

- *Courses Offered by Other Rutgers Campuses*

Students wishing to take relevant courses at the Rutgers-New Brunswick or Rutgers-Camden campuses may do so by first acquiring the written approval of the DGA Graduate Program Director or Director and then registering at the Rutgers-Newark Registrar's Office. If a special permission number is required for some course, students should contact the relevant Camden or New Brunswick department offering the course.

- *Courses Offered by NJIT*

Students wishing to take courses at the New Jersey Institute of Technology must receive approval from the DGA Graduate Program Director and then go to the Rutgers Registrar's Office to "build a screen". Once the screen is built, students should contact the NJIT Academic Advisor (Michele Collins at michelec@njit.edu, as of 2007) to request an "electronic permit". In requesting an electronic permit, students should provide their full name—including middle initials—and e-mail addresses. After the NJIT Academic Advisor informs students via e-mail that permits have been placed on their record, students should contact the Rutgers Registrar's Office and request that the permit be converted into an actual enrollment.

- *Undergraduate Courses*

M.S. students may, with the approval of the DGA Graduate Program Director and the instructor, enroll in advanced 300- and 400-level undergraduate courses. DGA students taking such a course must enter a "credit prefix" in person at the registrar's office. The credit prefix appears on the permanent record as follows:

E. The undergraduate course is excluded from credit in the graduate program.

G. The undergraduate course has been approved for graduate credit.

No more than 12 credits at the 300- or 400-level may be used to fulfill the Additional Credits requirement for an M.S.

Internship

26:478:601, 602. Internship or Research Seminar

Students may complete an Internship, for 3 or 6 credits, with an international organization, NGO, government agency, transnational corporation, media organization, or other institution active in some aspect of global affairs. Internships generally entail one day of work per week for the duration of the semester. Full-time Internships involving at least two days of work per week, whether pursued during the academic year or the summer, count for 6 credits. Students may be paid by the sponsoring agency for their work.

Internships must be approved by the student's faculty advisor and the DGA Director. Students must produce a 15-page research paper or report—on a topic covered by their Internship—and submit it, together with a letter from their supervisor at the place of Internship, to their DGA faculty advisor for a Pass/Fail grade. The exact procedures for pursuing an Internship are described in the Internship Form available at the DGA.

Transfer credits acquired for significant and relevant professional experience may be applied toward an Internship.

Students are encouraged to seek out internships of particular interest to them and/or to consult with the Career Development Center, Rutgers University, Hill Hall 309-B, Newark, NJ 07102-1801 (973 353-5312).

Independent Study

All M.S. students may take up to 9 credits of independent study courses explicitly dealing with topics related to global affairs—a multidisciplinary field concerned with theoretically informed, problem-oriented approaches to transnational issues and their interaction with local issues (26:478:697, 698, 699).

In order to embark on Independent Study, students must:

- acquire a DGA Application for Individual Study (available at the DGA);
- receive the approval of their DGA faculty advisor;
- find a DGA faculty member willing to supervise the research and grade the paper or project;
- submit the Application for Individual Study to the DGA Graduate Program Director for approval;
- register for the course;
- complete the paper or project and submit it to the DGA faculty member supervising the Independent Study course for a letter grade.

Master's Thesis

M.S. students may write a Master's Thesis in the course of two semesters for 6 credits (26:478:695, 696).

Students considering doctoral studies are strongly urged to complete a thesis.

Students choose the topic of their thesis in consultation with their faculty advisor. Theses must focus on some aspect of global affairs—a multidisciplinary field concerned with theoretically informed, problem-oriented approaches to transnational issues and their interaction with local issues.

Theses should be about 100 pages in length (double-spaced; notes, footnotes, and bibliography are extra); they must be written in standard English, adhere to proper academic form, and be free of typographical

errors. The final draft of the thesis must be prepared in strict accordance with the instructions given in the pamphlet *Thesis and Dissertation Form*, available at the Office of the Dean of the Graduate School-Newark, Hill Hall, Rm. 401. A full-scale project—such as, for example, the production of a software program or a video—may, if approved by the student's advisor and the DGA Graduate Program Director, serve in lieu of a paper.

The student's DGA faculty advisor and one other DGA core faculty member examine and grade the thesis. Both must sign and date the cover page of the thesis. Theses are graded as S (satisfactory) or U (unsatisfactory).

After a thesis has been accepted as satisfactory, one original copy, on 100 percent cotton-content bond paper, must be filed with the DGA.