

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

University of Oslo - New York Semester at The New School Graduate Program in International Affairs

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Are you New School?



The New School is a leading university based in New York City that comprises:

- Parsons The School of Design
- Eugene Lang College of Liberal Arts
- The Schools of Public Engagement
- The New School for Social Research
- Mannes School of Music
- The School of Jazz
- School of Drama
- Parsons Paris



History

- Founded in New York City in 1919 by prominent intellectuals – Charles Beard, John Dewey, Thornstein Veblen – to create a new kind of academic institution that would openly address issues facing society in the 20th century
- In 1933, initiated a rescue operation for German scholars persecuted by the Nazis. This University in Exile was given a home at The New School.





 The New School offered some of the nation's first college-level courses in film, photography, psychoanalysis, urban planning, jazz, African American culture and history, and women's history

 Instructors included some of the great innovators of the 20th century, among them Lewis Mumford, Aaron Copland, Martha Graham, Berenice Abbott, W.E.B. DuBois, Frank Lloyd Wright, John Cage, Gerda Lerner, and Robert Heilbronner







- Throughout its history, The New School's public programs have provided a forum for the most respected and influential speakers of the day including Martin Luther King Jr.
- In 2009, launched innovative interdisciplinary programs in environmental studies, global studies, urban design, and urban studies
- Today more than 10,000
 undergraduate and graduate students
 from more than 111 countries continue
 to take creative approaches to complex
 real-world issues







Graduate Program in International Affairs (GPIA)

https://www.newschool.edu/public-engagement/ma-ms-international-affairs/https://newschoolinternationalaffairs.org/

Rigorous training for an international affairs scholar and practitioner.

A critical and interdisciplinary perspective that is distinctive in the New School tradition: reflective, iconoclastic, and morally engaged.

Degrees

- 42-credit Master of Arts
- 30-credit Master of Science for candidates with at least 3 years of relevant experience in the international affairs field.
- Concentrations in:
 - o Development
 - o Media and culture
 - Conflict and security
 - o Cities and social justice
 - o Governance and rights
- Over 40 courses offered including a wide range of electives taught by full-time and parttime faculty



The New School Difference

New York City as a Unique Location

- Unparalleled opportunities for internships, practicums, events
- A microcosm of the 21st century with diverse populations rich and poor, center of innovation in ideas and action,
- A global city with opportunities to get involved with community service and social issues activism

World Class Faculty

- Scholars who take their research beyond the academic journals to print media, and social media.
- Practitioners with distinguished careers introducing innovations for greater impact
- Experts on urban poverty, democracy, human rights, and more who advise governments, international organizations, businesses, NGOs







Critical Thinking and Critical Theory

- Multidisciplinary approach with faculty trained in political science, anthropology, science and technology studies, economics, media studies
- Critical and heterodox approaches in both theory and practice
- Deep commitment to human well being, equity and social justice



Research

- Central element of classes, theses, practicums
- Faculty engaged in cutting edge research on critical global challenges of the 21st century

Small Class Sizes

- Almost all seminars with less than 20 students
- Opportunities to work closely with faculty in class and on research projects





FLEXIBLE SCHEDULES

- Full-time and part-time study is possible.
- All required courses and many electives are offered in the evening (at 6 or 8 p.m.). Some required courses and electives are offered at 4 p.m.

- Some required courses and electives are offered during the summer term.
- Students can enter the program in either the Fall or Spring semester.



Applied Learning

- Blend of theory, practice, and a commitment to social responsibility.
- Coursework is supplemented by internships, fieldwork, weekly mid-day seminars on international affairs, conferences, and other special workshops and talks.
- GPIA students may take courses from a wide range of courses in other schools of the university.





International Field Program

In the <u>International Field Program</u> (IFP), students engage in practical field experiences through work/research with NGOs, international organizations, government and local agencies.

The IFP provides students with a critical context for understanding global issues as well as an opportunity to develop foundational tools for working in diverse communities, conducting research, analyzing policies, and implementing projects in developing countries. Our long term partnerships with organizations in the various country sites guarantee continuity of engagement in project implementation and a sustainable contribution to the existing research body of knowledge.

Participating students earn nine credits toward their degree (3 Spring + 6 Summer).

The 2016 IFP offers six country sites—Argentina, Colombia, Cuba, South Africa, Turkey, and Ethiopia







United Nations Summer Study Program

The United Nations Summer Study (UNSS) program, puts graduate and undergraduate students on the ground in the United Nations and in New York City. Unlike other UN study programs, UNSS takes you beyond a narrow focus on security and diplomacy to investigate development, human rights, humanitarian action, peacekeeping and peacebuilding, and environmental and reform issues. UNSS coursework prepares you to understand and engage with contemporary issues, policies, and debates in international affairs. UNSS practicums, not found in any other UN summer program, enable you to gain hands-on experience in the UN system.

UNNS offers three options:

- Option 1: Core Curriculum (3 graduate / 4 undergraduate credits)
- Option 2: Core + Practice (6 graduate / 8 undergraduate credits)
- Option 3: Non-Credit





Visiting Students

Enroll for one or two semesters to take advantage of

- The wide array of courses
- Internship opportunities with major international and national NGOs, UN organizations, and more
- Networking opportunities with students, faculty, universities and beyond
- New York City location, a global center to build an international career
- Agreement with University of Oslo



Program Faculty

The 12 full-time <u>faculty members</u> of the GPIA program include distinguished authors, human rights advocates, and experts in international development and public health.

Michael Cohen
Sakiko Fukuda-Parr
Margarita Gutman
Peter J. Hoffman
Sean Jacobs
Mark Johnson
Nina L. Khrushcheva
Christopher London
Manjari Mahajan
Everita Silina
Sheba Tejani
Antina von Schnitzler

























Alumni Careers

Our alumni are found in

- Public and government service, international organizations, NGOs and nonprofits, academia, media, and the private sector.
- They are policy advocates and program managers in development, human rights, and health and environment. They are documentary filmmakers, international journalists, grant writers, educators, and financial analysts.
- They have worked in humanitarian assistance and disaster relief in Darfur, Indonesia, and India; in HIV/AIDS advocacy in Ethiopia; in conflict zones in Liberia, Sierra Leone, Afghanistan, and Chechnya; in refugee camps in Pakistan, Ethiopia, and Kenya; and in municipal government in Buenos Aires.
- They hold positions at the International Rescue Committee, UNIFEM, UNICEF, UNDP, the World Bank, Human Rights Watch, Amnesty International, the Open Society Institute, the Grameen Foundation, the Global Fund for Children, UNESCO, Africare, the Rockefeller Foundation, the U.S. Department of State, USAID, and a variety of media organizations including the BBC, MTV International, AI-Jazeera, MSNBC and the New York Times.



Admission

- You can start many programs in the Fall, Spring, or Summer
- Review program guidelines for necessary supporting documents required and deadlines
- Apply online
- Application must be submitted by the posted priority deadline for admission consideration

www.newschool.edu/admission/

Financial Aid

Financing your education

- Merit-based, tuition scholarships available
- International students are eligible for scholarships
- No separate scholarship application
- Application must be submitted by the posted priority deadline for financial aid and scholarship consideration

For additional financial aid an scholarship information, visit

www.newschool.edu/student-services/student-financial-services/

Cost of Attendance

- Tuition and fees vary by program, degree level, and school
- University of Oslo agreement sets special discounts for 3 visiting students from UiO
- Tuition is per credit or at a flat rate per term
 http://www.newschool.edu/registrar/tuition-and-fees/



International Students

The Office of International Student Services (ISS) is dedicated to creating a welcoming and friendly environment for students from around the world.

The ISS staff can:

- Help international students with the U.S. visa application process
- Advise students on the maintenance of U.S. legal status, employment, reinstatement, change of immigration status, and other immigrationrelated matters
- Help students adjust to university life in New York City
- ISS@newschool.edu

All international students accepted into degree programs at The New School are considered for institutional scholarships. But, in addition:

- Students should check with their home country for opportunities, as well as with the US Embassy in their home country for programs such as the Fulbright Scholarship.
- Students are encouraged to seek out scholarships through third-party organizations, which may also provide no-interest loans for qualifying international students.



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