



# MASTER OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS



Rockefeller's MIA program is a professional masters program that is designed to train and educate individuals for careers in the public, private and non-profit sectors within countries as well as in relations between them. This multidisciplinary degree provides students with a broad educational foundation in international relations theory, policy analysis, economics, management and quantitative methods as well as practical knowledge and analytical and managerial skills honed through both classroom and practical learning through a range of internship and capstone project experiences.

### CONCENTRATIONS INCLUDE:

- Diplomacy and Global Governance
- Global and Homeland Security
- Global Public Management

### AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION INCLUDE:

- International Development Administration
- Information Technology Policy and Management

### CONCENTRATIONS

#### DIPLOMACY AND GLOBAL GOVERNANCE

The Diplomacy and Global Governance concentration provides a foundation for students aspiring to diplomatic careers as political affairs officers in foreign ministries and international civil servants in the United Nations and other international organizations as well as careers in international non-governmental organizations.

***The Diplomacy and Global Governance concentration will increase students' understanding of:***

- The functioning of international organizations and non-governmental organizations (NGOs) in the shaping of governance and civil society around the world.
- Political dynamics in key global issue areas such as human rights, development, and the environment.

#### GLOBAL AND HOMELAND SECURITY

The Global and Homeland Security concentration is designed for students who aspire to careers in defense ministries and departments, interior ministries and the US Department of Homeland Security, intelligence agencies, federal and state law enforcement, legislative staffs, international organizations oriented toward security, non-profit research institutes, policy advocacy organizations, and security consulting firms.

***Concentrating in Global and Homeland Security will increase students' understanding of:***

- Military strategy, defense policy, arms control and non-proliferation.
- Security cooperation at the regional and global levels.
- The origin, nature, and impact of terrorism and unconventional warfare.
- Border and transportation security; cybersecurity.
- Intelligence analysis and information sharing.
- Analytic, methodological, and technical skills for analyzing security/intelligence issues.



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## GLOBAL PUBLIC MANAGEMENT

The Global Public Management concentration emphasizes organizational and leadership skills for public management careers in governments and non-profit organizations around the world as well as in international organizations and non-governmental organizations at the regional and global level.

### ***Concentrating in Global Public Management will increase students' understanding of:***

- Strategic planning, budgeting, accounting, information technology management and human resource management in international organizations and international non-governmental organizations (INGOs).
- The work of NGOs in international economic development programs, humanitarian assistance and disaster relief and the practicalities of grant administration, procurement, oversight, and accountability.
- Challenges of public administration in countries with different cultures, histories, and political regimes.
- Cross-national knowledge sharing and capacity-building for effective public administration and efficient civil services.
- The use of new technologies by governments and international organizations to improve administrative effectiveness and accountability.

## AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

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### INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

Students may opt to focus on International Development Administration by taking courses offered by faculty from Rockefeller College's Center for International Development (CID) in order to prepare for careers in the international development agencies of national governments and international organizations, as well as nonprofit organizations, like CID, that implement development projects.

### ***Studying International Development Administration will increase students' understanding of:***

- Dynamics of economic growth that can improve the lives of a majority of the world's 7.4 billion people who live outside of the world's relatively high income countries.
- How governments, international organizations, and non-governmental organizations collaborate to further sustainable development.
- Implementation of international economic development programs and efforts to further political development.
- Administration of humanitarian assistance and disaster relief.
- Practicalities of grant administration, procurement, budgeting, accounting, human resource management, oversight and accountability.
- Challenges of administering development programs in countries with different cultures, histories and political regimes.

### INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY POLICY AND MANAGEMENT

Students who focus on Information Technology Policy and Management take courses offered by faculty affiliated with the Center for Technology in Government (CTG) and the University's Information Science program in order to prepare for positions developing information management strategies and managing information technology projects within governments, international organizations and NGOs or working in government agencies and international organizations that regulate information technologies and promote cyber security in the public, private, and non-profit sectors.

### ***Studying Information Technology Policy and Management will increase students' understanding of:***

- How governments and NGOs use information technologies to conduct their business and engage in world affairs.
- Implementation of management information systems by UN member states as well as by the UN and other international organizations.
- Role of social media in democracy movements.
- Use of social media by states to engage not only their own citizens but other states and their citizens.
- Information technologies for international development.
- Information technologies for humanitarian assistance and disaster relief.
- Global governance of the internet and the rise of internet censorship.
- Dynamics of cyber crime and cyber warfare.
- National cyber security policies and international cyber security agreements and initiatives.



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