GLOBAL POLICY, MASTER OF ARTS

This 16-month interdisciplinary program is designed for working professionals with seven or more years of experience who wish to continue full-time employment while pursuing their degree. Under the guidance of world-renowned scholars, diplomats and policy makers, students move through the program as a cohort and develop strong professional connections with accomplished and diverse colleagues. This degree program is delivered in Washington DC on an alternating weekend (Friday/Saturday) schedule.

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Degree Requirements

Campus: Washington, DC

Credits: 41
Duration: 16 Months
Course delivery: In-person

In order to graduate, students must fulfill all degree requirements and earn a cumulative GPA of 2.67 or above.

Curriculum

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Application Seminars & Residencies

Experiential learning is an important component of the MAGP. In addition to academic courses, students participate in application seminars and residencies designed to build policymaking, negotiation, and leadership skills.

Global Application Seminars are designed to expand classroom learning into a broader context and provide students with increased exposure to the school’s faculty, especially those with deep regional expertise. They are held on Fridays or Saturdays when classes are in session.

Residencies are intense, multi-day exercises that take students outside the classroom and challenge them to apply lessons learned from their coursework. Three of the residencies take place locally. For the fourth, students travel abroad to a country chosen by the cohort.

The four residencies are:

- International Policy – With instruction from former and current policy makers, students work in teams to research, write and brief policy memos.
• **Policy Simulation** – Students enhance their understanding of international bargaining and negotiating as they take on the role of international leaders and policymakers in a time of crisis.

• **Policy Leadership** – Students participate in a military-style staff ride to a historic battlefield to study leadership and examine the many challenges of decision-making.

• **Global Policy** – During the final module of the program, students research a policy issue in a target country, conduct one week of intensive field research overseas, and conclude the program by presenting their report and recommendations to policy experts.