INTERNATIONAL STUDIES
FIVE-YEAR ACCELERATED
B.A./M.A. PROGRAM
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For students wishing to pursue a master’s degree after graduation
from Hopkins, the university offers an accelerated and competitive
International Studies B.A./M.A. Program drawing upon its resources at
SAIS, located in Washington, D.C. Combining a liberal arts curriculum with
a strong specialization in international studies, the program allows those
enrolled to receive the B.A. and M.A. degrees in five years instead of the
usual six.

Admission is limited to those students majoring in International Studies,
Political Science or East Asian Studies (Nanjing, China campus only)
and who are highly motivated toward careers for which a background
in international studies is essential: research, teaching, or practice in
international affairs. Financial assistance is available to those admitted
based on need and on academic achievement. For more information go
to http://krieger.jhu.edu/internationalstudies/bama-programs/bama-
program-with-sais/.

Students admitted to SAIS through the Direct Matriculation Program
(DMP) may be subject to additional requirements. https://apply.jhu.edu/
apply/direct-matriculation-programs/

Progress toward the B.A./M.A. Degree

Students in the SAIS BA/MA program spend their first three years at the
Homewood campus and the last two at SAIS. Students receive the B.A.
degree at the end of their first year at SAIS and the M.A. at the end of
their second year.

Students selected for the accelerated program may study abroad during
their Homewood years on a case by case basis and should discuss their
plans with the International Studies Program Director before submitting
an application to the Office of Study Abroad.