

# GLOBAL AFFAIRS PROGRAM

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## Undergraduate Program

Global Affairs is an interdisciplinary major that introduces students to the processes of globalization that affect all societies. Students gain a sophisticated understanding of complex issues such as terrorism, refugee crises, global inequality, and health and environmental challenges. Core courses in the major provide a knowledge foundation of the political, economic, cultural, and environmental processes in our global and globalizing world. The choice of a thematic or regional concentration helps students tailor the degree to their particular interests and career goals. Students in this program are encouraged to participate in study abroad opportunities and internships. They can complement their major with a second major or a minor.

### Global Affairs with a Second Major or Minor

Students can complement their major in global affairs with a second major. Students interested in this option are encouraged to discuss their plans with advisors in both majors. See the section AP.5.3.7 Credit for More than One Undergraduate Major in Undergraduate Policies (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/undergraduate-policies/#ap-5-3-7>).

Students majoring in global affairs are encouraged to complement their major with one of the many minors offered by the college.

### Minor

The undergraduate program in global affairs offers a minor in global affairs, which is available to students in any major in the university except those majoring in global affairs.

## Graduate Program

The master's degree in global affairs is an interdisciplinary program that offers students the opportunity to engage in advanced study of a broad range of international global issues.

### Bachelor's/Accelerated Master's Program

Highly qualified undergraduates in any major are invited to apply to the accelerated master's degree program in global affairs (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/global-affairs/global-affairs-ma/#acceleratedmasterstext>). If accepted, students will be able to earn an undergraduate degree in their chosen major and a graduate degree in global affairs after satisfactory completion of 138 credits, generally within five years.

## Faculty

### Program Faculty

#### Professors

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## Programs

- Asia-Pacific and Northeast Asian Studies Minor
- Global Affairs Minor
- Global Affairs, BA
- Global Affairs, MA
- STEM in Society Minor (CHSS)