

MASTER OF ARTS IN THE FIELD OF INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC POLICY

The Elliott School's master of arts in international economic policy (MIEP) is an interdisciplinary program that provides a strong foundation for understanding new challenges in the global economic system. The program provides analytical rigor and tailored professional specializations to help students pursue challenging careers in the private sector, public sector, and non-profit organizations.

Evening classes accommodate the busy schedules of working professionals and open pathways through which full-time students can explore internships in international organizations, consulting firms, and government agencies in Washington DC. The MIEP alumni network provides professional internship and job opportunities for students from all over the world.

Visit the program website (<https://elliott.gwu.edu/international-economic-policy/>) for additional information.

ADMISSIONS

Admissions deadline: Fall: January 7th - Fellowship & Application Deadline

Spring: October 1st - Fellowship & Application Deadline

Applications for admission will continue to be accepted on a rolling basis after the fellowship deadlines have passed, but students will not be considered for fellowships.

Standardized test scores: GRE and GMAT scores are not accepted and will not be considered in the review process. Please do not submit scores.

Recommendations: Two (2) letters are required. Applicants should submit one (1) academic letter from a professor and one (1) professional reference.

Prior academic records: Transcripts are required from all colleges and universities attended, whether or not credit was earned, the program was completed, or the credit appears as transfer credit on another transcript. Unofficial transcripts from all colleges and universities attended should be uploaded to your online application. Official transcripts are required only of applicants who are offered admission and choose to enroll.

If academic records are in a language other than English, English language translations must be provided. The English translations alone should be uploaded into the online application. Official transcripts and certified English translations will be required of applicants who are offered admission and choose to enroll.

Statement of purpose: All applicants are required to submit an essay of approximately 500 words that answers one of the two questions below:

State your purpose in undertaking graduate study at the Elliott School. As part of your statement of purpose, describe your academic and research interests, career objectives, how a degree from the Elliott School will enable you to achieve your goals, and what unique skills, talents and/or perspectives you will bring to your program. Please be specific.

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Please discuss an issue of international importance you wish to address in your professional career. Please include how the Elliott School and the academic program to which you have applied will prepare you to address this global issue.

Additional requirements: A resumé or curriculum vitae is required. Resumés/CVs must include dates of employment (if applicable) and date of degree conferral or expected degree conferral.

Prerequisites: Applicants to the MA International Economic Policy program must have completed both introductory microeconomics and introductory macroeconomics courses at the time of application.

Intermediate economic theory courses are helpful but not required.

International applicants only: International Applicants may be required to submit official English Language tests scores with their application. Please see the Elliott School's English Language Requirements for guidance on whether you need to take the TOEFL/IELTS/PTE. Please send official TOEFL scores to institution code 5246.

The minimum English Language Test Requirements can be found below:

Eligible for Admission & requires EAP Courses:

IELTS- 7.0 overall score, no band score below 6.0

TOEFL- 100 (internet test) 600 (paper test)

PTE- 68

Eligible for Admission & Exempt from EAP Courses**:

IELTS- 7.0 overall score, no band score below 6.5

TOEFL- 105 (internet test) 650 (paper test) PTE- 72

**Spring applicants must receive at least these scores to be considered for admission.

Please review International Applicant Information carefully for details on required documents, earlier deadlines for applicants requiring an I-20 or DS-2019 from GW, and English language requirements.

Supporting documents not submitted online should be mailed to:
Office of Graduate Admissions
The Elliott School of International Affairs
The George Washington University
1957 E Street, NW, Suite 301
Washington, DC 20052

Contact for questions:
esiagrad@gwu.edu ~ 202.994.7050 ~ 202.994.9537 (fax)

9:00 am – 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday

REQUIREMENTS

The following requirements must be fulfilled: 40 credits, including 15 credits in core courses, a 3-credit quantitative analysis course, a 4-credit capstone sequence, and 18 credits in a self-designed professional specialization.

Code	Title	Credits
Required		
Core courses (15 credits)		
ECON 6250	Survey of Economic Development	
ECON 6283	Survey of International Trade Theory and Policy	
ECON 6284	Survey of International Macroeconomics and Finance Theory and Policy	
IAFF 6191	Financial Accounting *	
IAFF 6193	Finance *	
Quantitative analysis (3 credits)		
IAFF 6501	Quantitative Analysis for International Affairs Practitioners	
Other quantitative analysis courses may be taken with prior approval of the program director. Students with undergraduate coursework in econometrics should consult the program director for alternative courses.		
Capstone sequence (4 credits)		
Students complete a two-course capstone sequence that most closely matches the thematic area of their coursework or career goals. The capstone sequence includes a 2-credit capstone workshop taken before the 2-credit capstone seminar. Students must have completed at least 18 credits of coursework prior to starting the capstone sequence. The capstone courses must be taken in consecutive semesters..		
IAFF 6898	Capstone Workshop	
IAFF 6899	Capstone Course	
Professional specialization (18 Credits)		
In addition to the required curriculum, students work with the program director to develop a self-designed professional specialization that includes at least six additional courses (18 credits). Up to 3 of these credits may be taken in professional skills courses IAFF 6502, IAFF 6503, and/or IAFF 6504.		

* Students who wish to have more rigorous quantitative methods coursework may substitute more advanced econometrics or

mathematical economics courses for IAFF 6191 and IAFF 6193 with program director approval.

COMBINED PROGRAMS

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- Joint Master of Arts in Elliott School programs and Master of Business Administration (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/international-affairs/graduate-programs/joint-mba-ma-international-affairs/>)
- Joint Master of Arts and Juris Doctor (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/international-affairs/graduate-programs/joint-ma-jd/>)