MASTER OF ARTS PUBLIC AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS SPECIALIZATION IN SCIENCE, SOCIETY AND POLICY

The Graduate School of Public and International Affairs offers a multidisciplinary master’s program focusing on public and international affairs. The degree awarded is the Master of Arts (MA) in Public and International Affairs. The program is offered on a part-time and full-time basis and also offers a coop option to full-time enrolled students.

Full-time and part-time students in the Master in Public and International Affairs must successfully complete a total of six core courses, four elective specialized seminars, one capstone seminar and a research paper for a total of 39 units.

Public and international affairs is a participating unit in the collaborative program in Environmental Sustainability as well as in the collaborative program in Science, Society and Policy.

The objective of the collaborative program in Science, Society and Policy is to provide students with the knowledge and skills needed to evaluate the challenges confronting decision-making at the interface of science and policy. Students will have an opportunity to explore how evidence is used in decision-making, how current policies shape the scientific enterprise, and how emerging technologies interact with society.

The program is governed by the general regulations effect for graduate studies.

International Reciprocal Agreement

The Graduate School of Public and International Affairs has signed an agreement with Wuhan University. This agreement makes it possible for graduate students to work on a five-year dual degree program in order to receive the Bachelor's degree of their home university at the University of Ottawa and then continue on to the master’s for two more years and qualify for the University of Ottawa master’s degree after a total of five years of study (3+1+2).

Admission Requirements

For the most accurate and up to date information on application deadlines, language tests and other admission requirements, please visit the specific requirements webpage.

To gain admission to the MA in Public and International Affairs, applicants must have completed an honours undergraduate degree (or its equivalent) in the social sciences, in arts, in management, or in law, with at least a 75% (B+) average (calculated in accordance with graduate studies guidelines). Applicants with degrees in other disciplines may also be considered, depending on the relevance of their previous degree and experience to the MA in Public and International Affairs.

A minimum of 2 years of full-time professional work experience is required in order to follow the part-time program. Part-time work over the summer months or during previous studies (co-op, internship) will not be considered to be equivalent. An interview may be required to assess the relevance of the work experience.

A basic knowledge of economics is required. There are two ways to meet this requirement. The first is for students to have successfully completed introductory courses in macroeconomics and microeconomics at the undergraduate level. At the University of Ottawa, this requirement can be met by taking the courses ECO 1102 and ECO 1104, or their equivalent. The Faculty of Social Sciences will offer these courses in the summer to facilitate the completion of this requirement. Equivalent courses from other universities are also accepted.

The second way to meet the economics requirement is to take a remedial course offered by the Graduate School of Public and International Affairs. Students who lack these courses, could still be admitted to the program, on the condition that they take a remedial course in economics offered by the Graduate School of Public and International Affairs during their first term. The course, entitled “Economics for Public Management and Policy” (API 5100), offers an intensive survey of the economics and mathematical skills necessary to be adequately prepared for the program’s core courses in economics. Completion of this course will also be recommended for students who may need to ensure that they have the necessary basic skills in mathematical analysis. This remedial course will be in addition to the 39 units required by the program.

Applicants should note that meeting the minimum requirements does not guarantee their admission. In making decisions, the admission committee of the Graduate School of Public and International Affairs takes into account all application material as well as the number of places available.

Language Requirements

Candidates who have not graduated from a French-speaking or an English-speaking university must pass the computerized Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), or equivalent, before admission.

All applicants must be able to understand speak and write proficiently either English or French and have a passive knowledge (ability to understand the spoken and written word) of the other language. Applicants whose first language is neither English nor French must provide proof of proficiency in one or the other. The list of acceptable proofs is indicated in the “Admission” section of the general regulations in effect for graduate studies.

In accordance with the University of Ottawa regulation, students have a right to produce their work, their thesis, and to answer examination questions in French or in English.

Co-op Option

To be admitted into the co-op option, students must commence the Master’s Public and International Affairs in the fall term and be enrolled full time. Applications for the co-op option must be received by the end of the first month of the student’s enrollment in the Master’s Public and International Affairs. Acceptance into the co-op option is offered on a competitive basis and is managed by the Co-op Office. Inquiries should be directed to that office.
Collaborative Programs

The Graduate School of Public and International Affairs is one of the participating units in the collaborative programs in Environmental Sustainability (master’s level only) and in Science, Society and Policy (master’s level only). Students should indicate in their initial application for admission that they wish to be accepted into one of the collaborative programs.

Program Requirements

The MA in Public and International Affairs requires the successful completion of a total of 39 units as follows:

Compulsory Courses:
- API 5105 Concepts and Issues in International Affairs 3 Units
- API 5116 Democratic Government and Public Policy 3 Units
- API 5125 Macroeconomic Policy 3 Units
- API 5126 Microeconomics for Public Policy 3 Units
- API 5135 Ethics and Moral Reasoning for Public and International Affairs 3 Units
- API 5136 Research Methods for Public Policy 3 Units

12 elective course units from:
- API 6311 Public Economics 3 Units
- API 6312 Public Finance 3 Units
- API 6313 Multilevel Governance and Public Policy 3 Units
- API 6314 Health Policy 3 Units
- API 6315 Social Policy 3 Units
- API 6316 Environmental Policy 3 Units
- API 6317 Immigration, Diversity and Public Policy 3 Units
- API 6319 Special Topics in Public Policy 3 Units
- API 6331 International Finance 3 Units
- API 6332 International Trade 3 Units
- API 6333 International Law and Ethics 3 Units
- API 6334 Regionalism and Integration 3 Units
- API 6335 Canadian Foreign Policy 3 Units
- API 6336 Defense Policy and Military Affairs 3 Units
- API 6337 Peace Operations and Post-Conflict Reconstruction 3 Units
- API 6339 Special Topics in International Affairs 3 Units
- API 6351 International Economics and Developing Countries 3 Units
- API 6353 Human Rights and Democratization 3 Units
- API 6356 Environment, Natural Resource Management and Development 3 Units
- API 6357 Conflict and Human Security 3 Units
- API 6360 Multilateralism and International Institutions 3 Units
- API 6361 US Foreign Policy 3 Units
- API 6362 Diplomacy and Conflict Resolution 3 Units
- API 6363 Politics and Conflict in the Middle East 3 Units
- API 6364 War and Organized Violence 3 Units
- API 6365 Contemporary Security Studies 3 Units

Capstone Seminar:
- API 6399 Capstone Seminar 3 Units

Research Paper:
- API 6999 Major Research Paper 6 Units

Note(s)
- All students must take at least one course (3 units) in the second official language.
- With the permission of the program director, up to two courses (six units) may be replaced by courses offered by other academic units.
- For information regarding the research paper, consult Thesis and research paper (http://www.grad.uottawa.ca/Default.aspx?tabid=1372).

First Year

The first year of study is essentially dedicated to the core courses that will allow students to gain a strong multidisciplinary foundation in public and international affairs.

Students enrolled full-time must complete three compulsory courses, involving different disciplines, in the fall term and three other compulsory courses in the winter term. Through these six compulsory courses, students acquire the foundation required to understand contemporary issues in the formulation of public policy and the conduct of international affairs and allowing them to take seminars on more specialized topics offered by the program.

Students enrolled part-time must complete the compulsory courses (18 units) within the first two years of enrollment in the program.

Second Year

The second year of the program is designed to allow students to acquire deeper knowledge. It requires the full-time student to complete three sets of requirements:
- four elective seminars
- a capstone seminar
- a research paper

Students enrolled part-time must complete the compulsory courses (18 units) within the first two years of enrollment in the program.

Third and Fourth Year

A third, and possibly fourth, year will be necessary for students enrolled part-time so as to permit the completion of the remaining requirements:
- four optional courses
- the capstone seminar
- the research paper

Capstone Seminar

These seminars allow students to apply, in an integrated manner, the knowledge, the theoretical and conceptual tools, and the research techniques acquired in the program to a specific policy problem, while being exposed to the more practical challenges of making policy and conducting international affairs.

Each seminar focuses on a specific case or problem of public policy, international affairs or international development and it requires that students work in teams to prepare a detailed policy brief, offering both rigorous analysis and alternatives for action to address the problem at hand. At the end of the seminar series, students must present their policy
brief to their fellow students, faculty members, and senior fellows at the School. In their work, students are expected to draw on the knowledge acquired during the program.

Moreover, each capstone seminar is led by a regular faculty member, in conjunction with a practitioner associated with the program, thus providing students with a better appreciation for the real-life constraints faced by policy-makers, diplomats and development workers. Guest lectures and site visits may also be used to provide students with a better understanding of the case examined in their seminar.

There are between 5 and 8 capstone seminars per year.

**Research Paper**

Students, under the supervision of a professor, will write a major research paper on a topic in public and international affairs. The paper, which will be about 12,000 words in length, will be graded by two professors: the supervisor and another professor associated with the program and appointed by the graduate studies co-ordinator. Research papers are graded alpha and the grade (average of both evaluations) appears on the transcript.

**Co-op Option**

Co-op students must enroll full-time and successfully complete two work terms (FSS 6001 and FSS 6002) in addition to the 39 course units listed above.

Each work term is graded P/F (pass/fail), based on the employer’s report and on the written report completed by the student.

The units awarded for co-op work terms may not be used to obtain equivalences for other courses. In other words, the co-op internship units are additional to the minimum requirements of the degree.

To remain in the co-op option, students must:

- be enrolled full-time;
- maintain a 7.0 cumulative grade point average; and
- obtain a satisfactory grade (P) for each co-op work term.

**International Exchanges**

The Graduate School of Public and International Affairs encourages students enrolled full-time to participate in international exchanges (API 6910) in the second year of the program. These exchanges are arranged in collaboration with the International Office, which deals with administrative matters and remains in contact with the students before, during and after their stay abroad.

**Collaborative Program in Science, Society and Policy**

The requirements of both the program in Public and International Affairs and the collaborative program must be met. The units completed for the specialization count also towards the degree in Public and International Affairs.

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**Duration of the Program**

Students enrolled full-time are expected to fulfill all requirements within two years, and students enrolled part-time are expected to fulfill all requirements within three years. The maximum time permitted is four years from the date of initial enrollment in the program.

**Minimum Standards**

The passing grade in all courses is 65% (C+). Students who fail two courses (equivalent to 6 units) must withdraw from the program.

**Research**

**Research Fields & Facilities**

Located in the heart of Canada’s capital, a few steps away from Parliament Hill, the University of Ottawa is among Canada’s top 10 research universities.

uOttawa focuses research strengths and efforts in four Strategic Areas of Development in Research (SADRs):

- Canada and the World
- Health
- e-Society
- Molecular and Environmental Sciences

With cutting-edge research, our graduate students, researchers and educators strongly influence national and international priorities.

**Research at the Faculty of Social Sciences**

The Faculty of Social Sciences represents a place of excellence in knowledge creation, research and training. Driven by both disciplinary and interdisciplinary perspectives, research at the Faculty is rich, innovative and varied, contributing to the depth of understanding and breadth of discussions on a variety of issues nationally and internationally. This research, whether it be fundamental, theoretical, applied or action-oriented, is generated by our renowned expertise, ultimately culminating in applications designed to influence individual communities and the betterment of society.

We have identified five research themes which collectively represent a large proportion of the research undertaken at the Faculty of Social Sciences:

- International Studies
- Francophonie
- Public Policy
- Health, Well-Being
- Justice, Society
Facilities, Research Centres and Institutes at the Faculty of Social Sciences


For more information, refer to the list of faculty members and their research fields on Uniweb.

IMPORTANT: Candidates and students looking for professors to supervise their thesis or research project can also consult the website of the faculty or department (https://www.uottawa.ca/graduate-studies/students/academic-unit-contact-information) of their program of choice. Uniweb does not list all professors authorized to supervise research projects at the University of Ottawa.

Courses

API 5100 Economics for Public Management and Policy (3 units)
The foundations of macroeconomics and microeconomics. Topics covered in microeconomics include: the consumer and the firm; supply; demand and the role of prices; competition and the invisible hand; imperfect competition; coordination failure and incomplete information; public goods and externalities; transaction costs and property rights; income distribution and the tax system; free trade. Topics covered in macroeconomics include: unemployment, inflation and the monetary system; fiscal and monetary policy; growth, development, and living standards.

Course Component: Seminar

API 5105 Concepts and Issues in International Affairs (3 units)
Examination of major concepts and issues in contemporary international affairs. Analysis of the history and development of international relations; major approaches to the study of world politics and global governance; key global issues affecting human welfare in terms of security, economy and environment; practices of governance in a world where the boundary between international and domestic affairs is becoming increasingly blurred.

Course Component: Seminar

API 5116 Democratic Government and Public Policy (3 units)
Study of the making of public policy in Canada and other liberal democracies, with emphasis on how democratic institutions, norms and politics shape public policy. Topics include the workings of democratic governments, the constitutional constraints placed on their authority, intergovernmental relations, the role of the bureaucracy and its relation to the political executive, policy design and the selection of policy instruments, public opinion and agenda-setting, citizen engagement, lobbying and interest representation.

Course Component: Seminar

API 5125 Macroeconomic Policy (3 units)
Focus on the power and limitations of macroeconomic policy in promoting long term growth and in stabilizing short run fluctuations. Topics include the determination of output, employment, investment, inflation, interest rate, balance of payments, and the exchange rate. Analysis of the local and global economic consequences of fiscal and monetary policies implemented by governments. An examination of the actual conduct of fiscal and monetary policy by governments will place the Canadian experience in a comparative perspective.

Course Component: Seminar

API 5126 Microeconomics for Public Policy (3 units)
Systematic exposition of the principles and techniques of microeconomic theory that are most useful in analyzing public policies. Topics include the theory of the consumer, the theory of the firm, market mechanisms and general equilibrium analysis. The course will offer a general framework to improve the understanding of the resource allocation and welfare consequences associated with policies such as taxes, subsidies, regulation, and government transfers. Case studies of government intervention in the economy will be used to illustrate the concepts and theories examined.

Course Component: Seminar

API 5135 Ethics and Moral Reasoning for Public and International Affairs (3 units)
Examination of ethics and moral reasoning applied to the study of public policy and international affairs. Current debates in moral philosophy and how they help to better understand contemporary controversies in public and international affairs. Examination of a number of current policy debates, such as issues of justice in social and environmental policy, the use of military intervention in international affairs, and the accommodation of religious and ethnic differences in liberal democracies.

Course Component: Seminar

API 5136 Research Methods for Public Policy (3 units)
Introduction to the various methods used in policy research and to the use of multivariate quantitative methods to conduct a research project. Research design, data sources and analysis. The qualitative methods examined include the use of focus groups and interviews; quantitative methods include simple and multiple regression, logistic regression, and factor analysis.

Course Component: Seminar

API 5500 Économie pour la gestion et les politiques publiques (3 crédits)
Les fondements de la microéconomie et de la macroéconomie. Les thèmes couverts en microéconomie incluent : le consommateur et la firme; l’offre, la demande et le rôle des prix; la concurrence et la main invisible; concurrence imparfaite; problèmes de coordination et information incomplète; biens publics et externalités; coûts de transaction et droits de propriété; taxation et distribution des revenus; commerce international. Les thèmes couverts en macroéconomie incluent : chômage; inflation et système monétaire; politiques fiscales et monétaires; croissance, développement et niveaux de vie.

Volet : Séminaire

API 5505 Concepts et enjeux en affaires internationales (3 crédits)
Examen des principaux concepts et enjeux des affaires internationales contemporaines. Analyse de l’histoire et du développement des relations internationales; des principaux cadres d’étude de la politique et de la gouvernance mondiale; les enjeux majeurs qui touchent le bien-être humain en termes de sécurité, économie et environnement; les pratiques de gouvernance dans un monde où la démocratie entre les affaires nationales et internationales devient de plus en plus floue.

Volet : Séminaire
API 5516 Gouvernement démocratique et politiques publiques (3 crédits)
Étude de la formulation des politiques publiques au Canada et dans d'autres démocraties libérales notamment dans la façon dont la vie politique, les institutions et les normes démocratiques influencent ces politiques. Les questions étudiées incluent le fonctionnement des gouvernements démocratiques, les contraintes constitutionnelles sur l'exercice de leur autorité, les relations intergouvernementales, le rôle de la bureaucratie et ses relations avec l'exécutif politique, la conception des politiques et la sélection des instruments d'intervention, l'opinion publique et la mise à l'agenda, la participation des citoyens, le lobbying et la représentation des intérêts.
Volet : Séminaire

API 5525 Politique macroéconomique (3 crédits)
Étude de la politique macroéconomique et de son efficacité à stimuler la croissance à long terme et à stabiliser les fluctuations à court terme. Les thèmes abordés incluent les déterminants de la production, de l'emploi, de l'investissement, de l'inflation, des taux d'intérêt, de la balance des paiements, et du taux de change. Analyse des conséquences économiques mondiales et locales des politiques fiscales et monétaires des gouvernements. Une étude des politiques fiscales et monétaires mises en uvre par les gouvernements permettra de placer le Canada dans une perspective comparée.
Volet : Cours magistral

API 5526 Microéconomie pour politiques publiques (3 crédits)
Étude des principes et des techniques de la théorie microéconomique utiles dans l'analyse des politiques publiques. Les thèmes abordés incluent la théorie du consommateur, la théorie de la firme, les mécanismes du marché et l'équilibre général. Le cours offre un cadre général d'analyse pour mieux comprendre l'allocation des ressources et les conséquences en matière de bien-être reliées à diverses politiques, telles que la taxation, les subventions, la réglementation, et les transferts gouvernementaux. L'étude de cas spécifiques d'intervention gouvernementale dans l'économie servira à illustrer l'adéquation des concepts et des théories étudiées.
Volet : Séminaire

API 5535 Éthique et Philosophie morale en affaires publiques et internationales (3 crédits)
Étude de l'éthique et de la philosophie morale appliquée à l'analyse des politiques publiques et des affaires internationales. Les débats contemporains en philosophie morale et leur utilité pour mieux comprendre les controverses actuelles en affaires publiques et internationales. Étude de cas, tels que la considération de la justice dans le domaine des politiques sociales et environnementales, l'usage de la force militaire dans les affaires internationales, et l'accommodement des différences ethnoculturelles et religieuses dans les démocraties libérales.
Volet : Séminaire

API 5536 Méthodes de recherche en politiques publiques (3 crédits)
Introduction aux diverses méthodes utilisées en recherche sur les politiques publiques et, en particulier, à l'utilisation des méthodes quantitatives d'analyse multivariée. Devis de recherche, sources de données, et analyse. Les méthodes qualitatives étudiées incluent les groupes témoins et les entrevues. Les méthodes quantitatives étudiées incluent les régressions simples et multiples, la régression logistique, et l'analyse factorielle.
Volet : Séminaire

API 6311 Public Economics (3 units)
Public economics studies how government intervention affects the economy. Topics covered include the efficiency of the competitive equilibrium, departures from efficiency, externalities and public goods, imperfect competition and asymmetric information; issues in political economy, including rent-seeking; and the inter-temporal issues of social security and economic growth. Case studies of policies will be drawn from Canada and other countries.
Course Component: Lecture

API 6312 Public Finance (3 units)
Public expenditures and taxation, mainly in Canada. Topics covered include social welfare programs; employment insurance; public pensions: old age security and the Canada pension plan; health care; education; personal income tax; consumption taxation; taxes on wealth and property; corporate tax; fiscal federalism in Canada including equalization payments among provincial governments.
Course Component: Lecture

API 6313 Multilevel Governance and Public Policy (3 units)
Impact of federalism, intergovernmental relations (IGR), and multi-level governance on the policy process in Canada; comparisons will be made to other federations (e.g., Australia) and quasi-federations (e.g., the European Union). The course looks at both the growing role of municipal and Aboriginal governments in the policy process, the impact of multi-level governance for policy and program efficiency and effectiveness, and the implications for accountability, transparency and citizen engagement in governance.
Course Component: Lecture

API 6314 Health Policy (3 units)
Examination of the development of health policy in Canada and selected other OECD countries. Issues covered include the funding of health-care, the role of public, non-profit, and private organizations in the delivery of health care, intergovernmental relations in this field, disease prevention and health promotion, and the impact of government policy generally on the health status of the population.
Course Component: Seminar

API 6315 Social Policy (3 units)
Examination of the development and transformation of the welfare state in Canada and other OECD countries. Topics covered include poverty and income support, unemployment insurance, child care and family policy, as well as pensions. The course examines the political, economic, and demographic factors that have shaped social policy.
Course Component: Lecture

API 6316 Environmental Policy (3 units)
Examination of the development of environmental policies in Canada and selected other OECD countries. Topics covered include sustainable development, water and atmospheric pollution, protection of species at risk, biotechnology, and climate change. The course examines the political and economic factors that shape environmental policy, including the interplay between domestic and international factors.
Course Component: Lecture

API 6317 Immigration, Diversity and Public Policy (3 units)
Issues of immigration and diversity with an emphasis on public policy. Topics covered include the impact of immigration on Canada's population and economy, its implications for public policies, diversity and conceptions of citizenship in Canada, the United States and the European Union, and attitudes towards immigration and diversity, including discrimination.
Course Component: Seminar
API 6319 Special Topics in Public Policy (3 units)
Course Component: Seminar

API 6331 International Finance (3 units)
Analysis of international financial markets and the environment in which they operate. Topics covered include foreign exchange markets (spot, forward, currency futures and options markets); purchasing power parity and the interest rate parity conditions; the exchange rate systems - past to present (Bretton Woods and post-Bretton Woods periods); special topics such as currency and financial crises, the pricing of currency derivatives, the need for a new international financial architecture, the volatility/overshooting models of exchange rates, the European monetary system and the target zones and realignment models; the European economic and monetary union and the theory of optimal currency areas; the relative merits of fixed, flexible and hybrid exchange rate regimes.
Course Component: Lecture

API 6332 International Trade (3 units)
Theoretical and empirical aspects of international trade. Topics covered include the gains from trade; the causes and consequences of trade; the alternatives to free trade (tariffs, quotas and non-tariff barriers, customs unions); factor movements, growth, and the theory of direct foreign investment; Canadian trade and foreign investment policies.
Course Component: Lecture

API 6333 International Law and Ethics (3 units)
Issues in international affairs from a legal and ethical perspective. The course investigates the obligations and rights of actors in the international system, as well as the ethical and legal dimensions of specific important issues in international affairs, such as the legitimacy of the use of force, humanitarian crises and the responsibility to protect, the international debt of developing countries, and the protection of the commons (e.g. oceans, atmosphere).
Course Component: Lecture

API 6334 Regionalism and Integration (3 units)
Theories and practice of regional cooperation and integration. Topics include different forms of regionalism, including economic, political and security cooperation, in the European Union, North America, and other regions of the world. The course also addresses the implications of regionalism and integration for Canada's foreign and domestic policy.
Course Component: Lecture

API 6335 Canadian Foreign Policy (3 units)
Historical and contemporary analysis of Canada's foreign policy. Topics include the emergence and growth of Canada as an actor on the world stage, its evolving priorities and roles in international affairs, the relationship between foreign and domestic policies, the management of Canadian foreign policy, and current issues and challenges.
Course Component: Lecture

API 6336 Defense Policy and Military Affairs (3 units)
Processes and outputs of defense policy in key Western states, including Canada. The course begins with an overview of the threats to security in the modern world and then examines models of defense policy making, before moving on to a more detailed analysis of the defense policies of selected states and how they are made.
Course Component: Lecture

API 6337 Peace Operations and Post-Conflict Reconstruction (3 units)
Concepts and practice of peacekeeping, peace-making and post-conflict reconstruction. Topics include the history and development of peace operations before and after the Cold War, preventive diplomacy, conflict resolution, humanitarian emergencies, the role of military and civilian actors in peace operations, and the rehabilitation of countries after civil war.
Course Component: Seminar

API 6339 Special Topics in International Affairs (3 units)
Course Component: Seminar

API 6351 International Economics and Developing Countries (3 units)
Introduction to the economic analysis of developing countries. The course will address the different tools used to measure economic development as well as the obstacles to growth and development in the Third World. Issue areas considered include macro-economic adjustment, financing development, population growth, human capital, technological progress and facilitating institutions.
Course Component: Seminar

API 6353 Human Rights and Democratization (3 units)
The politics of human rights in the context of countries in the process of democratization. Topics include the historical evolution of the meaning of human rights; the philosophical foundations of the concept of human rights; formal mechanisms for protecting human rights; experiences of implementation of human rights legislation and enforcement; rights-based approaches to international development; the activities and policies of non-governmental organizations promoting human rights; transitional justice and institutional reform in the context of democratizing countries.
Course Component: Lecture

API 6356 Environment, Natural Resource Management and Development (3 units)
Examination of the relation among natural resource management, environmental protection, and development. Topics include the factors shaping the management of natural resources in developing countries, the impact of environmental and natural resources policies on the development of countries, the importance of environmental issues in the development policies of international organizations, and the impact of environmental issues on the prospect for a sustainable form of development.
Course Component: Lecture

API 6357 Conflict and Human Security (3 units)
Examination of the relationship between conflicts and development, and exploration of the concept of human security as an approach to both development and peace-building. Students will become familiar with key theories of conflict, with particular attention to recent theories of new wars in the context of globalized economies and transnational networks. Exploration of the relationship between conflict and development outcomes using case studies.
Course Component: Lecture
API 6360 Multilateralism and International Institutions (3 units)
History and evolution of institutions of multilateral governance. Different institutional forms and practices of multilateralism, including the nineteenth century balance of power systems and collective security systems - beginning with the League of Nations and continuing with the United Nations. Dynamics of multilateral governance within regional institutions (e.g. the EU and NATO), as well as contemporary international regimes in different issue areas (e.g. economic and environmental regimes). The nature of multilateral governance in a world in which non-state actors and private authority are increasingly important.
Course Component: Lecture

API 6361 US Foreign Policy (3 units)
Study of United States foreign policy, analyzing both historical and contemporary themes such as democracy and trade promotion, security issues, and the environment. Study of the changing place in the world of the United States of America as well as of actors such as the White House, the National Security Council, Congress, the military, interest groups and lobbies, the news media, and mass opinion.
Course Component: Lecture

API 6362 Diplomacy and Conflict Resolution (3 units)
Examination, by means of a combination of conceptual and case study sessions, of the role of diplomacy in the resolution of conflict. The objective of the course is to more fully understand where conflict resolution fits in contemporary international relations and to broaden our understanding of how diplomacy, including track two processes, works as a conflict resolution mechanism. Special emphasis may be placed on particular aspects of the subject, such as track two diplomacy and its relationship with official diplomacy in the resolution of conflicts.
Course Component: Lecture

API 6363 Politics and Conflict in the Middle East (3 units)
An overview of contemporary Middle East politics, with a focus on the Arab-Israeli conflict, in the context of domestic, regional and international dynamics, with space given to the conflicting narratives of the Palestinians, the Arab States, and Israel. The course will examine crucial issues that affect the Middle East today, such as the influence of colonialism and nationalism; the role of authoritarian rule; the role of the military in state and politics; the politics of religion and the challenge of political Islam; and the growth of democratic politics, with reference to the 2011 "Arab Revolutions".
Course Component: Lecture

API 6364 War and Organized Violence (3 units)
While the number of inter-state wars is decreasing, other forms of organized violence, such as civil wars, genocides, terrorism, asymmetrical wars, and international military interventions, continue to be a threat to international security. This course will provide students with an overview of recent theoretical contributions to the study of organized violence.
Course Component: Lecture

API 6365 Contemporary Security Studies (3 units)
Critical analysis of a range of transformations in the realm of security, and the challenges they present for analysts and policymakers. Study of how security has become a pervasive theme and dominant concern of modern political life, and of how traditional ideas and institutions that defined security are being challenged by dynamics that cross state borders and that involve a diverse range of new ideas, organizations and technologies.
Course Component: Lecture

API 6399 Capstone Seminar (3 units)
Course Component: Seminar

API 6711 Économie publique (3 crédits)
Étude de la façon dont les interventions gouvernementales affectent l'économie. Les thèmes couverts incluent l'efficience de l'équilibre en situation de concurrence parfaite, inefficience, externalités et bien publics, concurrence imparfaite et asymétrie en matière d'information, enjeux d'économie politique, y compris la recherche de rentes, et les questions inter-temporelles liées à la sécurité sociale et la croissance économique. Études de cas du Canada et d'ailleurs.
Volet : Cours magistral

API 6712 Finances publiques (3 crédits)
Dépenses publiques et taxation, surtout au Canada. Les thèmes abordés incluent les programmes de sécurité du revenu, l'assurance emploi, les pensions, la sécurité du revenu pour personnes âgées, le financement des soins de santé et de l'éducation, impôts sur le revenu des particuliers, taxes à la consommation, taxes sur la richesse et la propriété, impôts des entreprises, le fédéralisme fiscal au Canada, y compris la péréquation.
Volet : Cours magistral

API 6713 Gouvernance à niveaux multiples et politique publiques (3 crédits)
Impact du fédéralisme, des relations intergouvernementales, et de la gouvernance à multiples niveaux sur les politiques publiques au Canada. Comparaison avec d'autres fédérations (e.g. Australie) et quasi-fédérations (e.g. Union Européenne). Le cours examine le rôle croissant des municipalités et des gouvernements autochtones dans la formulation des politiques publiques, l'impact de la gouvernance à niveaux multiples sur l'efficacité et l'efficience des programmes, et ses conséquences en matière d'imputabilité, de transparence et de participation des citoyens.
Volet : Cours magistral

API 6714 Politiques de la santé (3 crédits)
Étude du développement des politiques en matière de santé au Canada et dans certains autres pays de l'OCDE. Le cours aborde la question du financement des soins de santé, le rôle des secteurs public, privé et non gouvernementaux dans l'offre de soins de santé, les relations intergouvernementales dans ce domaine, la promotion de la santé et la prévention des maladies, et de manière plus générale l'impact des politiques gouvernementales sur la santé des populations.
Volet : Cours magistral

API 6715 Politiques sociales (3 crédits)
Étude du développement des politiques en matière de santé au Canada et dans certains autres pays de l'OCDE. Le cours aborde la question de la pauvreté et de la sécurité du revenu, l'assurance emploi, les politiques familiales et la petite enfance ainsi que les pensions. Le cours examine aussi les facteurs politiques, économiques et démographiques qui influencent la formulation des politiques sociales.
Volet : Cours magistral

API 6716 Politiques environnementales (3 crédits)
Étude du développement des politiques environnementales au Canada et dans certains autres pays de l'OCDE. Le cours aborde la question du développement durable, de la pollution atmosphérique, de la pollution de l'eau, de la protection des espèces à risque, de la réglementation des biotechnologies, et du changement climatique. Le cours examine aussi les facteurs économiques et politiques qui influencent les politiques environnementales, comprenant les relations entre les facteurs nationaux et internationaux.
Volet : Cours magistral

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Volet : politique étrangère ainsi que les défis contemporains dans ce domaine.

API 6735 Politique étrangère canadienne (3 crédits)
Étude de la politique étrangère du Canada, aujourd'hui et dans l'histoire. Le cours aborde l'émergence et le développement du Canada comme acteur sur la scène internationale, l'évolution de ses priorités et de son rôle dans les affaires internationales, la relation entre la politique nationale du Canada et sa politique étrangère, l'administration de la politique étrangère ainsi que les défis contemporains dans ce domaine.

Volet : Séminaire

API 6736 Politique de défense et affaires militaires (3 crédits)
Étude de la formulation et du contenu de la politique de défense de certains pays occidentaux, notamment du Canada. Le cours offre d'abord un survol des principales menaces à la sécurité dans le monde d'aujourd'hui et examine ensuite divers modèles de formulation de la politique de défense. Étude détaillées des politiques de défense de divers pays.

Volet : Cours magistral

API 6737 Consolidation de la paix et reconstruction après conflits (3 crédits)
Concepts et pratique du maintien de la consolidation de la paix ainsi que de la reconstruction après les conflits. Le cours aborde la question de l'histoire et du développement des opérations de paix avant et après la guerre froide, la diplomatie préventive, la résolution de conflits, les urgences humanitaires, le rôle des acteurs militaires et civils dans les opérations de paix de la reconstruction des pays à la suite d'une guerre civile.

Volet : Cours magistral

API 6738 Régionalisme et intégration régionale (3 crédits)
Les thèmes abordés dans le cours concernent les marchés de change, la parité des pouvoirs d'achat et des taux d'intérêts, les systèmes de taux de change (la période de Bretton Woods et après), les crises financières internationales, les instruments financiers dérivés, l'union monétaire européenne et la théorie des zones monétaires optimales ainsi que les débats sur la nécessité d'une nouvelle architecture financière internationale.

Volet : Cours magistral

API 6739 Thèmes choisis en affaires internationales (3 crédits)

Volet : Séminaire

API 6740 Thèmes choisis en affaires internationales (2 crédits)

Volet : Cours magistral

API 6741 Thèmes choisis en affaires internationales (3 crédits)

Volet : Séminaire

API 6742 Thèmes choisis en affaires internationales (3 crédits)

Volet : Cours magistral

API 6743 Thèmes choisis en affaires internationales (3 crédits)

Volet : Cours magistral

API 6744 Thèmes choisis en affaires internationales (3 crédits)

Volet : Cours magistral

API 6745 Thèmes choisis en affaires internationales (2 crédits)

Volet : Cours magistral

API 6746 Thèmes choisis en affaires internationales (3 crédits)

Volet : Séminaire
API 6757 Conflicts and human security (3 credits)
Study of the relationship between conflicts and development. Examination of the concept of human security as a means of development and the consolidation of peace. The course addresses a range of primary theories of the conflict, and particularly theories concerning the "new wars" in the context of a globalized economy and transnational networks. Case studies exploring the relationship between conflicts and development.
Volet : Cours magistral

API 6760 Multilateralism and international institutions (3 credits)
History and evolution of international institutions and multilateralism. Study of different forms and practices of multilateralism, including the systems of balance of power of the 19th century and the systems of collective security, of the United Nations. Study of the dynamics of international institutions, including the European Union and NATO, as well as regimes international contemporaries in different sectors, as to the economy and the environment. Discussion of the multilateral governance in a global context marked by a role accruing to actors non-state.
Volet : Cours magistral

API 6761 U.S. foreign policy (3 credits)
Study of U.S. foreign policy. Analysis of themes historical and contemporary, as to the promotion of democracy and the economy, the security issues, and the environment. The role of the United States in the world, as well as the role of the White House, the National Security Council, Congress, armed forces, interest groups, lobbyists, agencies of news and opinion public.
Volet : Cours magistral

API 6762 Diplomacy and conflict resolution (3 credits)
Studies in the context of a combination of theoretical concepts and casework, role of diplomacy in the resolution of conflicts. The objective of this course is to provide an understanding of the place of the resolution of conflicts within the international relations and multilateral frameworks and to improve our comprehension of the way in which diplomacy, including processes of diplomacy non-governmental (track two), is at the heart of the resolution of conflicts. A particular emphasis will be placed on aspects particular to the subject, as to the role of diplomacy and non-governmental and its relationship with diplomacy official in the resolution of conflicts.
Volet : Cours magistral

API 6763 Political conflict in the Near East (3 credits)
Study of the political conflict in the Near East contemporaneously, se penchanc on the conflict Arab-Palestinian in the context of the dynamics intra-territorial, regional and international. Analyses of the conflict and the state of Arab-Israeli. The course will cover the subject of the most important factors that influence the Middle East as an inter-state and in the international political interne, the enjeux politiques qui entourent la religion, le déf,p, le conflit israélo-palestinien et les révolutions arabes of 2011.
Volet : Séminaire

API 6764 The war and the organized violence (3 credits)
Examine the number of wars international and asymmetric, as well as the interventions military, which threaten international security. This course will examine the development of theoretical recent within the study of violence organized.
Volet : Cours magistral

API 6765 Contemporary security studies (3 credits)
Critique of a range of transformations in the domain of security and the challenges posed by the analysts and decision-makers. Study of the manner in which the concept of security is both present and dominant in the current political reality, as well as the manner in which the ideas and the traditional institutions that defined security are in train to be remixed in question by the factors that affect the frontiers and which implement a diverse range of ideas, institutions, and terminologies new.
Volet : Cours magistral

API 6799 Intégration seminar (3 credits)
Volet : Intégration seminar

API 6910 Stage international / International Internship (3 credits / 3 units)
Stage of four months abroad, allowing the student to work and participate in practical aspects of international affairs by the involvement in the work of an organization of a government or international organization. Each student prepares, as part of the internship, a report analyzing how knowledge and skills acquired in their program of study have been employed during their internship. The internship is graded S (satisfactory) or NS (not satisfactory) by a professor of the School of Public Policy and International Affairs based on the student's report and that of the internship supervisor.
Volet / Course Component: Cours magistral / Lecture
Prerequisite: Completion of all compulsory courses

API 6999 Major Research Paper (6 credits / 6 units)
Volet / Course Component: Recherche / Research

ISP 5101 Decision at the Interface of Science and Policy (3 units)
This course explores a number of critical issues in the design and implementation of science (or, more generally, evidence)-based policy. Topics will include: the nature of scientific evidence; who has standing in the provision of scientific evidence; the science and non-science of risk assessment; ethical dimensions of policy design and implementation; the role of science in policy design and implementation; the policy making process; and science policy performance evaluation.
Course Component: Lecture
ISP 5102 Science and Technology Governance and Communication (3 units)
This course explores a number of critical issues in the governance of science and technology (S&T) in democratic societies, with particular emphasis on the Canadian context. Topics will include the following: the history of S&T governance and communication in both Canada and abroad; an overview of the Canadian S&T policy and regulatory landscape; the role of government, the private sector and civil society in S&T governance; policy and regulatory experiments in fostering innovation (and the success thereof); the evolution of public S&T communication strategies and governance of emerging technologies.
Course Component: Lecture

ISP 5103 Capstone Seminar in Science, Society and Policy (3 units)
Involves partnering with organization(s) working on an issue relating to science, society and policy. In consultation with a member of the organization, students analyze the issue and complete a written report, either singly or in interdisciplinary teams, under the direction of the seminar professor who is responsible for evaluating the report.
Course Component: Lecture

ISP 5501 Prise de décision à l’interface de la science et des politiques (3 crédits)
Ce cours approfondit un certain nombre d’enjeux critiques liés à la conception et à la mise en œuvre de politiques scientifiques (ou, de façon plus générale, fondées sur des preuves). Les sujets abordés incluent les suivants : la nature de la preuve scientifique ; qui a qualité pour fournir des preuves scientifiques ; le côté scientifique et le côté non scientifique de l’évaluation des risques ; les dimensions éthiques de la conception et de la mise en œuvre des politiques publiques ; le rôle de la science dans la conception et la mise en œuvre des politiques publiques ; le processus d’élaboration des politiques publiques ; et l’évaluation du rendement des politiques publiques en matière de sciences.
Volet : Cours magistral

ISP 5502 Gouvernance et communication en science et technologie (3 crédits)
Ce cours approfondit un certain nombre d’enjeux critiques liés à la gouvernance des sciences et de la technologie (S et T) dans les sociétés démocratiques et, en particulier, dans le contexte canadien. Les sujets abordés incluent les suivants : l’histoire de la gouvernance et de la communication en sciences et technologie au Canada et à l’étranger ; un aperçu du paysage réglementaire et politique canadien ayant trait aux sciences et à la technologie ; le rôle du gouvernement, du secteur privé et de la société civile dans la gouvernance des sciences et de la technologie ; les expériences relatives aux politiques et à la réglementation menées en vue de favoriser l’innovation (et leur réussite) ; l’évolution des stratégies de communication publique concernant les sciences et la technologie et la gouvernance des nouvelles technologies.
Volet : Cours magistral

ISP 5503 Séminaire d’intégration en science, société et politique publique (3 crédits)
Involves partnering with organization(s) working on an issue relating to science, society and policy. In consultation with a member of the organization, students analyze the issue and complete a written report, either singly or in interdisciplinary teams, under the direction of the seminar professor who is responsible for evaluating the report.
Volet : Cours magistral