The MA in International Studies will provide you with a comprehensive understanding of the field of international affairs and the theoretical traditions scholars use to study our complex world. As our most flexible degree, the MA in International Studies affords you the opportunity to customize your program to fit your special research interests and professional goals. The degree is favored by students pursuing careers in diplomacy, policy, academia, and the private sector, or those interested in pursuing a PhD.

### Time Commitment and Format

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### DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

**International Studies Core:** Choose from a set of robust courses that provide a broad understanding of international politics and economy. Examples of core courses include:

- Comparative Politics in the 21st Century
- International Politics
- Comparative Public Policy and Finance
- Problems and Challenges of Democratization
- Political Economy of Globalization
- Revolutions and State Building

**Field Coursework:** You will specialize in one of the following disciplines, which will provide you with the knowledge necessary to succeed in your desired career field. Field specialization options are:

- International Politics
- Comparative Politics
- International Political Economy
- Political Theory

**Specialization:** Dive deep into a sequence of courses that matter most to you--designed by you, for you. With the ability to select a regional or topical concentration, the opportunities are endless. In addition to established specializations, students have the opportunity to customize their concentrations. Samples of past specializations:

- Geographic areas (i.e., Latin America, China, the Middle East and Africa), global health, humanitarian assistance, homeland security, international security, conflict resolution and peacekeeping, gender issues and international law.

**Methodology/Skills:** Select three skills-based courses that will provide you the expertise to effectively interpret data, skillfully communicate and manage challenging issues that you will encounter throughout your career. Examples of skills courses:

- Project Management
- Financial Management and Fundraising in Non-Profits
- Cross-Cultural Communications
- Methodology for Human Rights
- The Art of Forecasting

**DEFINE YOURSELF. REDEFINE THE WORLD.**
INTERNSHIPS
MA students register an average of 225 internships annually, with roughly 50% completed in Colorado, 25% internationally, and 25% in the U.S. outside of Colorado. Additionally, roughly half of internships occur during the summer and half during the academic year. While students intern in private, public, and multilateral organizations, the majority of internships occur in the nonprofit/NGO sector. Some examples of where International Studies students have interned are: InterAction, Atlantic Council of the United States (ACUS), American Red Cross, Newmont Mining and Colorado Information Analysis Center (CIAC).

CAREERS
Graduates of the Josef Korbel School’s MA in International Studies degree have pursued careers within the policy and academic fields. Examples of where our alumni are working include: National Democratic Institute, FBI, Booz-Allen Hamilton, Institute of International Education and the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development.

APPLICATION MATERIALS
- Application
- Application fee ($65 online fee)
- One official transcript from each higher education institution you have attended (including English translations when applicable). Send transcripts in an official, sealed envelope bearing an official stamp from the Registrar’s Office across the envelope’s seal.
- Official GRE test scores (University of Denver code is: 4842)
- Two letters of recommendation
- Statement of Purpose (500-750 words)
  ► Explain why you have chosen to pursue a graduate degree in International Studies and how the degree program will prepare you to reach your specific career goals.
- Resume

International Students
- Financial Verification Form and Supplement for International Applicants
- TOEFL scores (non-native English speakers; University of Denver code is 4842)

CLASS PROFILE
Each year approximately 180 students enroll in master’s programs at the Josef Korbel School.
Average GRE Scores:
  ► Verbal: 157
  ► Quantitative: 151
Average GPA: 3.41
Average Age: 26 years
Age Range: 21-54
Average Class size: 20
Females: 55%   Males: 45%
Non-US Students: 10.6%
Citizenships represented: 27

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