

Master of Arts in International Development

Gain an in-depth understanding of development by exploring theory, policy analysis and politics of institutions. Through the MA in International Development you will equip yourself with relevant research and management skills. You will have opportunities to apply these skills and knowledge through internships in places like Denver, Washington, D.C. or abroad. The International Development curriculum provides you with a deep comprehension of the economic issues as well as the importance and interrelatedness of sustainable economic and human development, human rights, distributive justice and environmental sustainability. The MA in International Development allows you the flexibility to concentrate your studies to fit your research interests and personal career goals.

Time Commitment and Format	Start Dates	GRE	Credits	Thesis	Internship	Foreign Language Proficiency	Degree Co-Directors
2 years, full-time	September or January	Required	90	Optional	Required	Required	Sally Hamilton, Ph.D. and Aaron Schneider, Ph.D.

*Degree Requirements**

1. **Program Training Core:** Specialize in the following disciplines which will provide you the knowledge necessary to succeed in your desired career field. Samples of program training course options include:
 - Economic Development
 - Politics of Development *or* International Development in Cross-Cultural Perspectives (*required*)
 - Microfinance & Sustainable Development
 - Health and Development
 - Gender and Health
 - Education and Development
 - Environmental Security
 - Population, Environment, and Development in Latin America
 - Health and Humanitarian Aid
 - Food Security in the US and the World
2. **Skills Courses:** Select three skills-based courses that provide you the expertise to effectively interpret data, skillfully communicate, and manage challenging issues that you will encounter throughout your career path. Examples of skills courses:
 - Statistics II *or* Statistics for International Affairs (*required*)
 - Statistics III *or* Data Analysis for Development (*required*)
 - Project Management
 - Applied Field Methods
 - Financial Management and Fundraising in Non-Profits
 - International Futures, Global Change and Development
 - Cross-Cultural Communications
3. **Concentration:** Immerse yourself in a customized sequence of courses that matter most to you and your career goals. With the ability to select a regional or topical concentration, the opportunities are endless.
 - *Samples of past concentrations include:* 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.
4. Additional Information can be found at www.du.edu/korbel.

Internships

MA students register an average of 225 internships annually, with roughly ½ completed in Colorado, ¼ internationally, and ¼ in the U.S. outside of Colorado. Additionally, roughly ½ of internships occur during the summer and ½ 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 Development

students have held internships are: Mercy Corps, Save the Children, African Community Center (ACC), Pathfinder International and USAID.

Careers

Graduates of the Josef Korbel School's MA in International Development degree have pursued careers within government, multilateral and bilateral development agencies, non-governmental organizations and the private sector. Examples of where our alumni are working include: USAID, Elephant Energy, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Catholic Charities, World Wildlife Fund, Engineers without Borders.

Graduate Admissions Requirements

- 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 (the University of Denver code is: 4842)
- Two letters of recommendation
- Statement of Purpose (500-750 words)
 - What is your career goal upon completing your graduate degree and what are your longer-term career goals?
 - Explain why you have chosen to pursue a graduate degree and how the degree program you have chosen will prepare you to reach your specific career goals.
 - What skills and previous experiences have helped position you to reach your career goals and how will the Josef Korbel School help you achieve these goals?
- Resume
- Visa eligibility documents (I-20) (International students only)
- TOEFL scores (non-native English speakers) (the University of Denver code is 4842)

Class Profile

- Average GRE Scores (new scoring system):
 - 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
- Each year, about 200 students enroll in the MA programs at the Josef Korbel School

*Please visit the Korbel Handbook on Portfolio (<https://portfolio.du.edu/issta>) to view up-to-date degree requirements. Degree directors update the handbook through Portfolio throughout the year, so for a more extensive list of course requirements please visit the Portfolio site.