

Master's International Peace Corps Program

Dive into a curriculum that will prepare you for your Peace Corps Service by becoming an expert in international administration, development, or finance, trade and economic integration. You'll be able to apply and expand upon what you learn through Josef Korbel School coursework, during your volunteer experience abroad. Reap the benefits a Josef Korbel School Master's degree has to offer by: learning from world-renowned faculty, as well as other Master's International students, Returned Peace Corps Volunteers, and other students with a variety of experiences; attending an assortment of speaker and networking events both on and off-campus; customizing your degree to fit the needs of your desired career path; and much more. This program enables you to develop the skills necessary to excel in the Peace Corps and the career of your choice after serving.

The Master's International Program requires that you complete your coursework prior to your Peace Corps Service. You will then enter the 27 month Peace Corps Service and upon completion of your service and the submission of a substantial research paper, you will then receive the final 18 credits toward the degree and can apply to graduate.

Master's International Program Option*	Time Commitment and Format	Start Dates	GRE	Credits	Foreign Language Proficiency	Substantial Research Paper
Credit reduction (18 credits)	1.5 years full-time (5 quarters)	September or January	Required	72	Waived	Upon completion of Peace Corp Service

Benefits: In cooperation with the United States Peace Corps, the Josef Korbel School of International Studies offers incentives for Master's International students, accepted into both the Peace Corps and the Josef Korbel School, to join the Korbel School prior to their Peace Corps service. These benefits are:

- 18 hour credit reduction in the 90 credit hour program
- Foreign language requirement waived
- Internship requirement waived

Degree options: Master's International Peace Corps students are invited to enroll in the following MA degree programs:

1. [Global Finance, Trade and Economic Integration](#)
2. [International Administration](#)
3. [International Development](#)

***MI Students are not eligible for dual degree programs of any kind*

Peace Corps Community Student Group: With a remarkably large returning and potential Peace Corps volunteer student population, this student group is one of the largest student groups in the college. Get together with other Returned Peace Corps Volunteers and Master's International students to discuss the benefits of Peace Corps service and how it applies to your education in international studies.

What current Peace Corps Master's International students say about the Program:

"Combining my Peace Corps service with a Master's degree has enlightened both experiences for me, as the lessons I've learned through my degree, as well as my RPCV classmates, have proven invaluable in country. When I finish my Peace Corps service and seek to enter the professional world, I fully anticipate that the M.I. program will provide the background knowledge and skills I need to supplement my international experience, improving my employability and my capacity in the workplace."

-Sarah Scholz, MA Global, Finance, Trade and Economic Integration Candidate,
Current Peace Corps Volunteer in Georgia

Additional Information can be found at www.du.edu/korbel.

Please **contact** the Office of Graduate Admissions by calling 303.871.2544 or emailing korbeldm@du.edu for more information.

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.