INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (MAIR)

Graduate Degree Program
College: Behavioral and Social Sciences

ABSTRACT

The Master of Arts in International Relations (MAIR) is a 4+1 Combined Program that is designed to provide advanced coursework and applied quantitative methods training for students seeking careers as researchers in academia, as well as research analysts in the public and private sectors. The MAIR curriculum of 30 credits includes coursework in international political economy, international security, international law, and statistical methods of data analysis for international relations research questions. The curriculum emphasizes theoretical and quantitative empirical research in international relations. During the final semester, students will complete a capstone research project. The coursework will relate academic research to real-world events and their policy implications.

At this time, MAIR is open to students who are Government and Politics (GVPT) majors at the University of Maryland.

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Admissions

Admission is for the fall semester only. For the 2021 - 2022 academic year applicants must meet the following admission criteria:

• Applicants must be a Government and Politics (GVPT) major.
• Applicants must have earned a 3.0 GPA (on a 4.0 scale) in all prior undergraduate coursework.
• Applicants must be able to graduate with their BA in Spring or Summer 2022
• Applicants must have taken coursework in International Relations and at least one course in Quantitative Methods.

In addition to the admission criteria above, applicants must submit the following:

• A statement of purpose that explains the applicant's interest in both the program and International Relations, as well as an explanation for how prior coursework in GVPT has prepared the applicant for this Masters program.
• A 2021 - 2022 course plan.
• An unofficial UMD transcript.