

MA in International Non-Governmental Organizations

Create a Different Tomorrow

Do you want to make a difference? Help change our world? Then the MA in International Non-Governmental Organizations from Webster University is the graduate degree of choice for you.

In a rapidly globalizing world, International Non-Governmental Organizations (INGOs) often play a role on a par with government and business. In some cases in the developing world they assist with, or even shoulder, the responsibilities of whole ministries in fields such as Education or Health.

There are growing opportunities in this sector for employment while improving the quality of life of the most needy. Such opportunities can be found in Europe and America as well as in the developing world, in organizations such as Amnesty International, Novib, Doctors Without Borders, Greenpeace, the International Red Cross/Red Crescent Society or UN support organizations.

Webster's INGO program concentrates on the specific skills needed to be successful as a manager in the NGO and non-profit world. It combines a solid International Relations foundation with the practical approach of Webster's MA program in management and leadership, buttressed by critical skills needed in the field, such as Cross-Cultural Team Leadership; Grant Writing and Fundraising; Negotiating Skills, and much more.



SAMPLE PROGRAM

Part-time MA program consisting of twelve evening classes (one evening class per term) and no time off between terms. Completion time is 28 months.*

	<i>Fall I, Aug-Oct</i>	<i>Fall II, Oct-Dec</i>	<i>Spring I, Jan-March</i>	<i>Spring II, March-May</i>	<i>Summer, May-July</i>
Year 1	International Relations	International Political Economy	International Organizations	International Law	Nongovernmental Organizations (NGOs)
Year 2	Organizational Behavior	Grant Writing, Fundraising & Development for INGOs	Principles of Negotiation	Politics of Development	International Relations Theory and Practice
Year 3	Marketing or Cross-Cultural Management	Basic Finance for Managers			

* There are many ways to complete your program. Your student advisor can explore the options with you.

Internships

Our students have completed internships at the following international organizations and NGOs:

- Anne Frank Stichting
- Artsen zonder Grenzen (Doctors without Borders)
- Amnesty International
- Atlantic Alliance
- Bernard van Leer Foundation
- Centre for the Study and Documentation of Latin America
- Council of Europe
- Europol
- European Patents Office (EPO)
- European Space Agency (ESTEC)
- Greenpeace Nederland
- International Court of Justice (Peace Palace)
- International Tribunal on Yugoslavia
- International Restructuring Education Network Europe (IRENEF)
- Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- NATO
- Nederlands Instituut voor Zuidelijk Afrika (Netherlands Institute for Southern Africa)
- Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW)
- Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)
- OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities
- Organization for North-South Campaigns
- Stichting Onderzoek Multinationale Ondernemingen (SOMO)
- Permanent Court of Arbitration
- Transnational Institute
- United States Embassy
- United States Consulate
- World Population Foundation

Flexible Programs Designed Around You

Most of Webster's graduate students have to balance the demands placed on their time by their career, their family and their study obligations. The Webster MA INGO program is designed to accommodate these often conflicting demands as much as possible, enabling part-time students to adjust their programs of study to their needs.

In all Webster programs, students pay only for the classes for which they actually enroll. So you may proceed through the programs as quickly or as slowly as you like – even taking time off for a term without any financial or other penalty. Travel to other Webster campuses (for example, in China or Thailand) and completing internships off campus are strongly encouraged, and the flexibility to pursue these “extras” is built into the Master's programs.

Every student works closely with a student advisor who guides them through the program and helps keep them on track for their targeted graduation date. Students may begin the program in August, October, January, March or May.

What Type of Person is a Webster MA Student?

The Webster University Master's programs are designed for BA/HBO/WO graduates. Many of our students have gone straight from their undergraduate to graduate study (no “schakel” program); many have a few years of work experience and now want to formalize their training in their field; and still others have enjoyed career success and are now seeking to broaden their knowledge, become a subject matter expert, or make a career change to a new area.

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