With its home campus in St. Louis, Missouri, USA, Webster University comprises an action-oriented global network of faculty, staff, students and alumni who forge powerful bonds with each other and with their communities around the globe. Founded in 1915, Webster is a private non-profit university with almost 20,000 students studying at campus locations in North America, Europe, Asia and Africa and in a robust learning environment online. The university is committed to delivering high-quality learning experiences that transform students for global citizenship and individual excellence.

Webster University is uniquely positioned to offer you these revolutionary programs.
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To become a global citizen, you must engage with different cultures. Webster’s unique Global MA degree fosters this engagement through an 11-month intensive study program that provides full-time graduate students an opportunity to live, learn, and study at our campuses in Accra, Ghana; Athens, Greece; Geneva, Switzerland; Leiden, the Netherlands; Vienna, Austria; Bangkok, Thailand; and Washington, D.C., U.S.A.; and with our affiliates in Beijing, China and Havana, Cuba.

You can complete a master’s degree on multiple continents, learning from on-campus faculty who are experts in international relations. You’ll have an opportunity to visit international institutions and NGOs such as the United Nations, the International Committee of the Red Cross, and the International Court of Justice. You will complete five consecutive eight-week terms, each at a different Webster location, as part of your program. At each campus your classmates will be students in Webster’s international relations program at that location.

All courses are taught in English, making it easy for you to examine, explore, and discuss the social, political, humanitarian, and economic issues facing our world and your field of study with students from across the globe.

Throughout your international study experience, Webster will provide you with guidance and assistance to make sure that your year is enjoyable and rewarding.

At each of our international campus locations, on-site staff will help you settle into your new accommodations and acquaint you with the city. You will have access to the centralized program director, who will help you navigate your year abroad.

Webster staff can also answer important questions you may have about cultural adjustment, academic policies, visa regulations, health services, banking, advising services, and campus policies and procedures.

The Global MA isn’t the only way to get a global education in international relations from Webster University. The robust History, Politics, and International Relations department also offers in-classroom programs in international relations at campus locations around the United States and online classes accessible from anywhere in the world.

Tuition and Fees
The program fees for the Global MA program include 36 hours of graduate tuition, housing during each eight-week term, pre-departure materials, and all textbooks. Students will be responsible for airfare, their own meals, housing during break weeks, personal living expenses, visas, and any costs associated with travel between Webster’s campus locations.

Housing
Students will live in a variety of on-campus and off-campus apartments, student residences, and hotels at each location. The level of accommodations varies from campus to campus, but all housing will be located within walking distance or with access to public transportation routes for travel to and from each campus. Accommodations will be arranged by Webster staff on-site at each campus location.

Note: Students will be responsible for making their own housing arrangements between academic terms.

Passports and Visas
As a recognized leader in study abroad education, Webster University understands the varying regulations related to travel within our international network of campus locations.

Typically, U.S. citizens will need to arrange a visa for studies in Thailand, China, Ghana, and Cuba, and may need one when traveling within Europe.

Students will be responsible for obtaining a visa for each location visited, if required. Each student, regardless of citizenship, is encouraged to contact the embassies located closest to his or her home for each destination country to ensure compliance with immigration laws. This should be done well in advance of program departure. For more information about passport and visa requirements, please contact the Office of Study Abroad at 1-800-984-6857 or worldview@webster.edu.

Cohort Routes and Schedules
Cohorts are organized around the four different graduate certificates offered alongside the Global MA, and each cohort has a specific course rotation schedule. Students will be asked to rank their cohort preferences. All efforts are made to give students their first cohort choice, but it cannot be guaranteed. Assignment of cohorts is determined by program administration. In late spring, admitted students who have secured their place in the program by submitting an initial deposit will be emailed their cohort details, including course schedules.

All cohort routes usually include a one-week academic break in between each eight-week term of courses. The winter break in December and January typically lasts three to four weeks.

Health Insurance
At no additional cost, Webster University provides basic accident and sickness insurance to program participants. The policy covers students throughout the world and is arranged through HTH Worldwide Health Services. Students should not cancel their existing policies in lieu of this coverage. For more information, visit hthstudents.com. Options are available to students for purchasing personal property insurance.

Student Safety
Webster University is committed to the safety and security of all its students. Student residences are all staffed with residential assistants. All students have 24-hour local contact information in case of an emergency.

Additionally, all campuses remain in close contact with the local U.S. embassies for the latest local and international advisories. Webster also monitors U.S. State Department travel advisories on an ongoing basis.

Virtual Info Sessions
Want to learn more about the program? Join us online for a virtual info session!

Wednesday, January 13, 2016 6:00-7:00 pm (CST)
Tuesday, March 1, 2016 10:00-11:00 am (CST)
Register at webster.edu/GLOBALIR

Can’t Take A Year Off?
Webster University also offers its MA in International Relations degree in the online format, at its home campus in St. Louis, and at many of its extended and international sites.

DIRECTOR SPOTLIGHT

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DIRECTOR OF GLOBAL PROGRAMS

COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES, GLOBAL MA IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, 2009

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1-800-753-6765
gradmit@webster.edu
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Your Next Steps

Read through our Frequently Asked Questions and Admission sections online: webster.edu/GLOBALIR.

To learn more by speaking to our Global MA admission counselor, contact Webster University’s Office of Admission at 314-246-7800, 1-800-753-6765 or gadmit@webster.edu to schedule an appointment.

Ready to apply online? Go to webster.edu/apply to complete your application and submit the $50 application fee. (Webster alumni and non-U.S. applicants are exempt from paying this fee. Contact your Global admission counselor for details.) Note that the Global MA program has one start date each year in August.

Submit your official transcripts, the required essay, résumé, and two letters of recommendation (one academic reference required). Applicants are able to upload their documents online. Documents not uploaded online should be mailed to:

Webster University
Office of Admission
Attn: Global MA Programs
470 E. Lockwood Ave.
St. Louis, MO 63119

Apply for financial aid. U.S. citizens or U.S. permanent residents are eligible for federal student loans for the Global MA program. After January 1, these applicants should submit a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) using Webster’s school code (002521) and the Webster University Graduate Financial Aid Application. Domestic and international applicants are also eligible for scholarship consideration. International students seeking scholarships must submit an International Student Financial Assessment Form along with the Webster University Graduate Financial Aid Application.

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GLOBAL MA IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, 2012

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PACK YOUR BAGS
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PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

ABOUT WEBSTER UNIVERSITY

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2014 Global Graduation in Washington, D.C., USA
Today’s global political landscape is shaped by the complex interactions of more international actors than ever before. Emerging world leaders and professionals in government, foreign affairs, academia, and the nonprofit sector must have a solid grasp of these complexities in order to uncover and support global solutions and measure progress.

Since 2006, Webster University’s Global Master of Arts in International Relations (GMAIR) has enabled students to critically analyze the intricacies and the impact of international affairs, while immersing themselves in the distinct culture of five different countries where Webster offers academic programs. Students achieve this objective in three ways: (1) through coursework that provides a theoretical foundation in the discipline of international relations; (2) through unique graduate certificates built into the curriculum of each cohort (Comparative and Regional Governance, Security Studies, International Development, and International Nongovernmental Organizations) by which students will gain greater exposure to key subfields of international relations that are relevant to today’s issues; and (3) through professional seminars, in which students engage and network with international relations professionals as they visit organizations like OPEC in Vienna, the International Criminal Court in The Hague, and the United Nations office in Geneva.

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Up to 35 credits earned in the GMAIR program may be applied toward a Global MA in International Relations, a certificate or a minor in International Relations, or a minor in International Development. United Way Worldwide, Oxfam America, USAID, American Red Cross International Services, and the World Bank are among the well-known INGOs and agencies that are based in the U.S. capital. Opportunities to learn about the inner workings of some of these organizations will be an important part of your study term in Washington, D.C. and will complement the completion of your capstone project.

In your off hours, you will discover that in addition to being a high-energy federal city, “the District” is an international metropolis with a cosmopolitan flair. Sample the countless ethnic eateries, but don’t neglect to try restaurants focusing on the local flavors of the Chesapeake Bay. Of course, take time to explore the U.S. capital’s national landmarks, museums, and galleries. Comfortable shoes are a must in this extremely walkable city.

The International Development cohort will conduct an in-depth examination of the concepts, actors, and issues involved in the economic, political, and social processes of development. Students will get a first-hand perspective on countries in different stages of development while critically examining the challenges those countries face as well as solutions that address issues such as poverty, conflict, human rights, and sustainability.

Coursework in the International Nongovernmental Organizations cohort will focus on developing the appropriate skills for working in and with international nongovernmental organizations. Students will evaluate the roles and activities of INGOs in international affairs while learning critical skills such as project management, fundraising, and negotiation.

Students in the Comparative and Regional Governance cohort will learn to compare and contrast political systems in different parts of the world, exploring themes and concepts such as democratization, regional integration, and the relationship between state and society while investigating current governance issues across the globe.

Vienna, Austria | Beijing, China | Bangkok, Thailand | Havana, Cuba | Leiden, the Netherlands

Students in the Security Studies cohort will explore the sources, experience, and resolution of conflict in the international arena, and will analyze real-world conflicts and the effectiveness of actual and potential policy responses.

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Havana, Cuba is Webster University’s first Spanish-speaking location in the Global MA in International Relations program. Rich in culture, music, and creativity, this vibrant city is a fascinating place waiting to be explored. The blend of cultures from the historical influences of Latin-America, Europe, the United States, and Russia creates a complex but diverse society that has long been isolated from the rest of the world.

Located in the heart of Havana and near the bay, Old Havana, a UNESCO World Heritage site, is one of the most impressive historical centers in the Caribbean. Spanish colonial architecture provides a glimpse of the mid-century art deco architecture sheds light on 20th century influences. Havana, a UNESCO World Heritage site, is one of the most impressive historical centers in the Caribbean.

Food, Culture, and Places to See
Cuba is brimming with culture and history. Traditional Cuban cuisine is a fusion of Spanish and Caribbean flavors. Homemade dishes like ropa vieja and moros y cristianos can be found in paladares, privately run restaurants out of individual homes. After dinner, indulge in the dynamic rhythms of Cuban music. You may even be lucky enough to find performances by former members of the Buena Vista Social Club.

FACULTY SPOTLIGHT
Raul Rodriguez
Raul Rodriguez, PhD, is a professor/researcher and currently Deputy Director of the Center for Hemispheric and United States Studies at the University of Havana. There, he teaches introductory and postgraduate courses on U.S. history. In addition, he has taught courses on Cuban history and the history of U.S.-Cuban relations to undergraduate students from the University of North Carolina, American University, and University of Alabama on semester programs at the University of Havana since 2004. Mr. Rodriguez has been a visiting scholar and guest lecturer in Canadian, U.S., and Latin American universities since 2002 on topics related to Cuban Foreign Policy and U.S.-Cuba/Canada-Cuban relations.

Hemok Yemane
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As the urban hub of one of the fastest-growing democratic nations on the African continent, Accra, Ghana is a hotbed of development. Many international organizations and INGOs – from small community-based organizations to branches of global powerhouses like ActionAid International and UNESCO – have made this coastal city their home. Global MA students studying here will find themselves in an environment rich in history and bustling with growth and change.

Established in 2014 and located in the Cantonments area of Accra, the Webster University Ghana campus is minutes away from the beach, and close to restaurants and shopping at Osu, Labone, and the Accra Mall. An easy day trip will take you to important cultural locations and recreational spots surrounding Accra, while overnight trips can also be made to the bustling market town of Kumasi and the up-close-encounters with wildlife offered in Mole National Park.

Leonard Suransky
Leonard Suransky holds a PhD in Political Science and Education from the University of Michigan, specializing in peace and conflict studies in the Middle East and Southern Africa, ethno-nationalism, and xenophobia. He is a co-founder of Pax Ludens, a nonprofit dedicated to using simulation exercises to train participants in how to manage international conflict and crisis. Formerly head of the Department of International Relations at Webster University Leiden, Professor Suransky now runs the Department of International Relations in Ghana, developing programming in line with his expertise in issues of identity and ethnicity that challenge democracy in Africa and other parts of the developing world.
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Webster University was the first U.S. university in China to be recognized by the Ministry of Education as offering an MBA. In Beijing, Webster partners with Beijing Language and Culture University (BLCU), which was founded in 1962 as an institution for both foreign and Chinese-born students. It has trained hundreds of thousands of students from more than 160 countries in Chinese language and culture.

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**Ann Nguyen**

“Being able to travel and expose myself to so many new cultures, and just learning how to be a well-rounded global citizen, have been the best parts of the program thus far! I’ve been able to learn so many things both about myself and the world around me that I never would have been able to discover had I not done this program.” - Global MA in International Relations, 2014

**Oreste Foppiani**

Oreste Foppiani, PhD, is the Head of the IR Department at Webster University Geneva. As a political analyst and scholar with an interest in diplomatic history, security studies, and international politics, he focused his research on U.S.-EU relations, EU integration, WWII, the early Cold War period, and the U.S. re-balance in Asia. He is now working on a research project on illegal immigration in the Mediterranean and the global refugee crisis. In addition to teaching and research, Mr. Foppiani is also a permanent correspondent to the UN Office in Geneva and a senior officer of the Italian Navy Reserve.
Havana, Cuba is Webster University’s first Spanish-speaking location in the Global MA in International Relations program. Rich in culture, music, and creativity, this vibrant city is a fascinating place waiting to be explored. The blend of cultures from the historical influences of Latin-America, Europe, the United States, and Russia creates a complex but diverse society that has long been isolated from the rest of the world.

Located in the heart of Havana and near the bay, Old Havana, a UNESCO World Heritage site, is one of the most impressive historical centers in the Caribbean. Spanish colonial architecture provides a glimpse of the bustling Havana of old. In other areas of the city, the mid-century art deco architecture sheds light on 20th century influences.

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With its close proximity to (yet historically tumultuous relationship with) the United States, Havana is a unique city in which to critically analyze political and economic systems and the impact of foreign policy decisions through various lenses. Through Webster’s partnership with the University of Havana and its Center for Hemispheric and United States Studies, students will have the opportunity to take an in-depth, immersive look at the U.S.-Cuban relations at a particularly exciting point in the history of U.S.-Cuban relations.

Food, Culture, and Places to See

Cuba is brimming with culture and history. Traditional Cuban cuisine is a fusion of Spanish and Caribbean flavors. Homemade dishes like ropa vieja and moros y cristianos can be found in paladares, privately run restaurants out of individual homes. After dinner, indulge in the dynamic rhythms of Cuban music. You may even be lucky enough to find performances by former members of the Buena Vista Social Club.

Travel from Havana (by plane):
- Miami - 1 hour
- Puerto Rico - 2 hours
- St. Louis - 2.5 hours

As the urban hub of one of the fastest-growing democratic nations on the African continent, Accra, Ghana is a hotbed of development. Many international organizations and INGOs – from small community-based organizations to branches of global powerhouses like ActionAid International and UNESCO – have made this coastal city their home. Global MA students studying here will find themselves in an environment rich in history and bustling with growth and change.

Established in 2014 and located in the Cantonments area of Accra, the Webster University Ghana campus is minutes away from the beach, and close to restaurants and shopping at Osu, Labone, and the Accra Mall. An easy day trip will take you to important cultural locations and recreational spots surrounding Accra, while overnight trips can also be made to the bustling market town of Kumasi and the up-close-encounters with wildlife offered in Mole National Park.

Travel from Accra:
- Timbuktu - 1 day (by car)
- Mount Cameroon - 2 hours (by plane)
- Marrakech - 4 hours (by plane)

Faculty Spotlight

Henok Yemane

“Throughout the many exciting opportunities and adventures, this program challenges you to abandon your comfort zone, allowing you to appreciate spontaneity over familiarity.”

Global MA in International Relations, 2010

Earnest Jones

“Each international campus location provides a unique perspective of that country and offers students the opportunity to live and learn in a dynamic and interactive academic environment while adapting to the local culture. This has been the most academically challenging, culturally enriching, and intellectually fulfilling year of my life.”

Global MA in International Relations, 2015

Leonard Suransky

Leonard Suransky holds a PhD in Political Science and Education from the University of Michigan, specializing in peace and conflict studies in the Middle East and Southern Africa, ethno-nationalism, and xenophobia. He is a co-founder of Pia Ludens, a nonprofit dedicated to using simulation exercises to train participants in how to manage international conflict and crisis. Formerly head of the Department of International Relations at Webster University Leiden, Professor Suransky now runs the Department of International Relations in Ghana, developing programming in line with his expertise in issues of identity and ethnicity that challenge democracy in Africa and other parts of the developing world.

Raul Rodriguez

Raul Rodriguez, PhD, is a professor/researcher and currently Deputy Director of the Center for Hemispheric and United States Studies at the University of Havana. There, he teaches introductory and postgraduate courses on U.S. history. In addition, he has taught courses on Cuban history and the history of U.S.-Cuban relations to undergraduate students from the University of North Carolina, American University, and University of Alabama on semester programs at the University of Havana since 2004. Mr. Rodriguez has been a visiting scholar and guest lecturer in Canadian, U.S., and Latin American universities since 2002 on topics related to Cuban Foreign Policy and U.S.-Cuba/Canada-Cuban relations.
Located just 10 minutes from The Hague and 30 minutes from Amsterdam by train, LEIDEN is one of Holland’s best-kept secrets. The Webster campus, founded in 1983, sits in the historic city center on a picturesque canal, with most of the student housing a short walk or bike ride from campus. Nearby Leiden University, which has nearly 20,000 students and staff, gives this cozy college town of 115,000 inhabitants a youthful, international flair.

The proximity of Webster’s Leiden campus to The Hague, which is home to many of the world’s most important legal organizations, provides you with the opportunity to experience some of the world’s highest criminal courts, such as the International Criminal Court and the International Court of Justice. You will also be within a few hours of train travel to the European capital of Brussels, Belgium.

In addition, you’ll have the opportunity to visit places such as the Permanent Court of Arbitration and the Nobel Prize-winning Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons.

**Sharon McBeth**

“When my Global classmates and I accepted this opportunity, we decided to contribute to the world in the most effective way, with our academic and professional talents. And Webster University believed in us. Webster knew that a global education and personal dedication could develop those talents into real skills.”

**GLOBAL MA IN INTERNATIONAL NONGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS, 2014**

**FOOD, CULTURE, AND PLACES TO SEE**

Leiden is the place to get your pancake on, whether you like them with fruit, chocolate, or an endless list of other toppings. They’ll give you the energy to see a country that has the highest concentration of museums in the world, including the Anne Frank House and the Van Gogh and Kröller-Müller Museums. Walk the quaint streets of Leiden and see canals lined with houseboats.

**TRAVEL FROM LEIDEN (by train):**

- **Brussels** - 3 hours • **Berlin** - 7 hours
- **Copenhagen** - 1.5 hours

**FACULTY SPOTLIGHT**

**Islam Qasem**

As a political analyst and lecturer with an interest in international political economy and Middle East politics and economics, Islam Qasem, PhD, has worked for The Hague Center for Strategic Studies, a think tank advising Dutch ministries, briefing the public sector, and carrying out independent research on global economics, scarcity, and finance. In addition to teaching, Mr. Qasem also carries out research for Webster Leiden’s Global Research Center.
VIENNA

VIENNA is the capital of and largest city in Austria with a population of about 1.7 million people. Often called “The City of Dreams” because it was home to psychologist Sigmund Freud, Vienna is the cultural, economic, and political center of Austria. Generations of artists, students, and connoisseurs of life have sought out Vienna for its inspirational art and architecture, parks and palaces, music and opera.

Webster’s Vienna Campus is located in the elegantly restored Palais Wenkheim – only a few steps away from the city’s center. Webster’s Vienna Campus offers students a diverse community of students and faculty from around the world. Webster’s global student body offers you the opportunity to experience a variety of political cultures, helping you understand the differences in government systems across cultures and nations. In addition, faculty will lead visits to international organizations such as the United Nations and OPEC, and OPEC.

FOOD, CULTURE, AND PLACES TO SEE

You will never have a problem finding a good meal in Vienna, but save room for Sachertorte, Vienna’s famous chocolate cake. The city is home to a rich culture of music – Mozart, Beethoven, Haydn, and Brahms. If you like your culture more wild, the Schönbrunn Zoo is the world’s oldest and only baroque zoo. It is situated in the Habsburgs’ summer residence and was built in 1752.

TRAVEL FROM VIENNA:

Budapest - 4 hours (by train) • Prague - 5 hours (by train) • Warsaw - 1.5 hours (by plane)

FACULTY SPOTLIGHT

Franco Algieri

Franco Algieri is Head of the IR Department at Webster University Vienna. He studied political science and sinology and received his doctorate and MA from the University of Tübingen, and a Diploma of Advanced European Studies from the College of Europe, Bruges. He has served as Director of Research at the Austrian Institute for European and Security Policy, and as a research fellow at institutions in both Austria and Germany. In 2000, he was appointed Guest Professor at the School of International Studies at the Renmin University of China, Beijing. His research focuses on European and Asian security issues, EU-Asia relations, and European foreign policy.

Ross Bethune

“Observing OSCE meetings during the Russian-Georgian conflict of 2008 helped to expose me to the high intensity reality that every state faces. New experiences, friends, amazing memories, professional contacts, and a more complete world view are things that only Webster’s Global MA program can deliver.”

GLOBAL MA IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, 2009
Today’s global political landscape is shaped by the complex interactions of more international actors than ever before. Emerging world leaders and professionals in government, foreign affairs, academia, and the nonprofit sector must have a solid grasp of these complexities in order to uncover and support global solutions and measure progress.

Since 2006, Webster University’s Global Master of Arts in International Relations (GMAIR) has enabled students to critically analyze the intricacies and the impact of international affairs, while immersing themselves in the distinct culture of five different countries where Webster offers academic programs. Students achieve this objective in three ways: (1) through coursework that provides a theoretical foundation in the discipline of international relations; (2) through unique graduate certificates built into the curriculum of each cohort (Comparative and Regional Governance, Security Studies, International Development, and International Nongovernmental Organizations) by which students will gain greater exposure to key subfields of international relations that are relevant to today’s issues; and (3) through professional seminars, in which students engage and network with international relations professionals as they visit organizations like OPEC in Vienna, the International Criminal Court in The Hague, and the United Nations office in Geneva.

As a student in the GMAIR program, you will complete five eight-week terms, each at an international Webster location. Admitted students will be assigned to one of four predetermined cohorts, based on the student’s elected graduate certificate preferences. You will learn first-hand how the theories of international relations connect to the practice of world affairs, as well as explore international events and issues with students from around the world.

Graduates of the GMAIR program have gone on to work at governmental agencies, international organizations, nongovernmental organizations, and multinational corporations, as well as pursue other advanced degrees.

Students in the Comparative and Regional Governance cohort will learn to compare and contrast political systems in different parts of the world, exploring themes and concepts such as democratization, regional integration, and the relationship between state and society while investigating current governance issues across the globe.

Vienna, Austria | Beijing, China | Bangkok, Thailand
Havana, Cuba | Leiden, the Netherlands

Students in the Security Studies cohort will explore the sources, experience, and resolution of conflict in the international arena, and will analyze real-world conflicts and the effectiveness of actual and potential policy responses.

Athens, Greece | Havana, Cuba | Geneva, Switzerland
Beijing, China | Vienna, Austria

The International Development cohort will conduct an in-depth examination of the concepts, actors, and issues involved in the economic, political, and social processes of development. Students will get a first-hand perspective on countries in different stages of development while critically examining the challenges those countries face as well as solutions that address issues such as poverty, conflict, human rights, and sustainability.

Geneva, Switzerland | Bangkok, Thailand | Accra, Ghana
Havana, Cuba | Washington, D.C., USA

Coursework in the International Nongovernmental Organizations cohort will focus on developing the appropriate skills for working in and with international nongovernmental organizations. Students will evaluate the roles and activities of INGOs in international affairs while learning critical skills such as project management, fundraising, and negotiation.

Leiden, the Netherlands | Geneva, Switzerland
Accra, Ghana | Bangkok, Thailand | Washington, D.C., USA

WASHINGTON, D.C. abounds with the energy that one might expect in a city that is the center of U.S. government as well as the headquarters of many nonprofits, lobbying groups, and professional associations. Its position as homebase for hundreds of the world’s largest international NGOs and development agencies makes it second to none for learning about INGOs and international development. United Way Worldwide, Oxfam America, USAID, American Red Cross International Services, and the World Bank are among the well-known INGOs and agencies that are based in the U.S. capital.

The International Development cohort provides a theoretical foundation in the discipline of international relations for those interested in careers that are relevant to today’s issues.
Your Next Steps

1. Read through our Frequently Asked Questions and Admission sections online: webster.edu/GLOBALIR.

2. To learn more by speaking to our Global MA admission counselor, contact Webster University’s Office of Admission at 314-246-7800, 1-800-753-6765 or gadmit@webster.edu to schedule an appointment.

3. Ready to apply online? Go to webster.edu/apply to complete your application and submit the $50 application fee. (Webster alumni and non-U.S. applicants are exempt from paying this fee. Contact your Global admission counselor for details.) Note that the Global MA program has one start date each year in August.

4. Submit your official transcripts, the required essay, résumé, and two letters of recommendation (one academic reference required). Applicants are able to upload their documents online. Documents not uploaded online should be mailed to:
   Webster University
   Office of Admission
   Attn: Global MA Programs
   470 E. Lockwood Ave.
   St. Louis, MO 63119

5. Apply for financial aid. U.S. citizens or U.S. permanent residents are eligible for federal student loans for the Global MA program. After January 1, these applicants should submit a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) using Webster’s school code (002521) and the Webster University Graduate Financial Aid Application. Domestic and international applicants are also eligible for scholarship consideration. International students seeking scholarships must submit an International Student Financial Assessment Form along with the Webster University Graduate Financial Aid Application.

Penelope Kim

“By far, the best thing about the program, aside from the opportunity to travel and learn about the various international institutions, are the people in my cohort. It’s unbelievable to think that you can feel so close and so connected with seven people so quickly.”

GLOBAL MA IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, 2012
Webster University is an integral part of the international community, facilitating international relations every day with campuses on four continents and students representing nearly every country in the world. Working across international borders, whether at home or abroad, Webster University understands the importance of a truly global education and is committed to transforming students for global citizenship.

To become a global citizen, you must engage with different cultures. Webster’s unique Global MA degree fosters this engagement through an 11-month intensive study program that provides full-time graduate students an opportunity to live, learn, and study at our campuses in Accra, Ghana; Athens, Greece; Geneva, Switzerland; Leiden, the Netherlands; Vienna, Austria; Bangkok, Thailand; and Washington, D.C., U.S.A.; and with our affiliates in Beijing, China and Havana, Cuba.

You can complete a master’s degree on multiple continents, learning from on-campus faculty who are experts in international relations. You’ll have an opportunity to visit international institutions and NGOs such as the United Nations, the International Committee of the Red Cross, and the International Court of Justice. You will complete five consecutive eight-week terms, each at a different Webster location, as part of your program. At each campus your classmates will be students in Webster’s international relations program at that location.

All courses are taught in English, making it easy for you to examine, explore, and discuss the social, political, humanitarian, and economic issues facing our world and your field of study with students from across the globe.

Throughout your international study experience, Webster will provide you with guidance and assistance to make sure that your year is enjoyable and rewarding.

At each of our international campus locations, on-site staff will help you settle into your new accommodations and acquaint you with the city. You will have access to the centralized program director, who will help you navigate your year abroad.

Webster staff can also answer important questions you may have about cultural adjustment, academic policies, visa regulations, health services, banking, advising services, and campus policies and procedures.

The Global MA isn’t the only way to get a global education in international relations from Webster University. The robust History, Politics, and International Relations department also offers in-classroom programs in international relations at campus locations around the United States and online courses accessible from anywhere in the world.

Tuition and Fees
The program fees for the Global MA program include 36 hours of graduate tuition, housing during each eight-week term, pre-departure materials, and all textbooks. Students will be responsible for airfare, their own meals, housing during break weeks, personal living expenses, visas, and any costs associated with travel between Webster’s campus locations.

Housing
Students will live in a variety of on-campus and off-campus apartments, student residences, and hotels at each location. The level of accommodations varies from campus to campus, but all housing will be located within walking distance or with access to public transportation routes for travel to and from each campus. Accommodations will be arranged by Webster staff on-site at each campus location.

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Passports and Visas
As a recognized leader in study abroad education, Webster University understands the varying regulations related to travel within our international network of campus locations.

Typically, U.S. citizens will need to arrange a visa for studies in Thailand, China, Ghana, and Cuba, and may need one when traveling within Europe.

Health Insurance
At no additional cost, Webster University provides basic accident and sickness insurance to program participants. The policy covers students throughout the world and is arranged through HTH Worldwide Health Services. Students should not cancel their existing policies in lieu of this coverage. For more information, visit hthstudents.com. Options are available to students for purchasing personal property insurance.

Student Safety
Webster University is committed to the safety and security of all its students. Student residences are all staffed with residential assistants. All students have 24-hour local contact information in case of an emergency.

Additionally, all campuses remain in close contact with the local U.S. embassies for the latest local and international advisories. Webster also monitors U.S. State Department travel advisories on an ongoing basis.

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COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES, GLOBAL MA IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, 2009

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Webster University is uniquely positioned to offer you these revolutionary programs.

Nothing compares to being there.