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Launched in 2008, the Steven J. Green School of International and Public Affairs at FIU educates the leaders and changemakers of tomorrow through innovative teaching and research that advances global understanding, contributes to policy solutions and promotes international dialogue. The Green School enrolls more than 5,000 students and employs nearly 360 faculty. It offers 37 interdisciplinary degree programs at the bachelor's, master's and doctoral levels, as well as 54 undergraduate and graduate certificate programs. The Green School encompasses eight signature departments: Criminology and Criminal Justice, Economics, Global and Sociocultural Studies, History, Modern Languages, Politics and International Relations, Public Policy and Administration and Religious Studies. Home to 17 of the university's most prominent international centers, institutes and programs, the Green School is an affiliate member of the Association of Professional Schools of International Affairs (APSIA.)

Graduate Programs

The Green School has academic programs leading to Master's degrees in African & African Diaspora Studies, Asian studies, global and sociocultural studies, criminal justice, economics, global affairs, history, international studies, Latin American and Caribbean Studies, political science, public policy and administration, religious studies, and Spanish.

The Green School offers academic programs leading to the Ph.D. in global and sociocultural studies, economics, history, international crime and justice, international relations, political science, public affairs, and Spanish.

Master of Arts in Global Affairs

The Master of Arts in Global Affairs provides a two-year in-person or fully online (36 credits) skills based program enhanced by an interdisciplinary curriculum that will allow students to compete for and excel in employment opportunities in the global marketplace. The program is designed to provide students with the ability to understand and negotiate successfully across societies and borders. Students are trained for careers in the public and private sectors, international organizations, government agencies, non-governmental as well as not-for-profit organizations.

The Master of Arts in Global Affairs program offers four separate tracks of study.

The Globalization and Security track explores the nexus between globalization has broadened and intensified the scale and character of modern-day security challenges

(e.g. transnational crime, natural disasters and environmental change, migration and refugee flows, and surveillance and intelligence). The Global Risk and Corporate Responsibility track aims to train a cadre of future risk managers and corporate citizenship professionals that understand this complex new business environment and can help develop corporate strategies to manage risks and build stakeholder relationships. Emphasizing corporate social responsibility, the program will provide students with the knowledge and the skills needed to craft strategies that promote socioeconomic development and safeguard the environment, while strengthening relationships with key stakeholders and enhancing shareholder wealth.

The International Development track readies students to apply data-based techniques of economics, buttressed with the understanding of relevant sociopolitical factors, to the analysis of practical problems and solutions in international economic development. In our globalized society, development aims to improve our understanding of the world's economically disadvantaged countries and regions, while addressing salient issues, such as poverty, marginalization and inequality. As such, the track will provide students with the needed skills and knowledge to engage and collaborate across various entities such as international organization, government, business, communities, and non-governmental organizations.

The International Crime & Justice track readies students to operate in the areas of domestic and international crime and justice issues. Graduates will be better equipped to understand and respond to transnational crime and justice problems, which continue to present formidable dilemmas in public policy, criminal justice and national security realms. Accordingly, the track will provide students with the needed skills and knowledge to engage and collaborate across various entities which have an interest in managing internationally relevant crime and justice matters.

The Cybersecurity and Technology Policy track combines technical and non-technical foundational courses necessary to understand cybersecurity, as well as emerging technologies and the broader policy implications in an increasingly interconnected world. The curriculum covers a wide-range of key topics and issues—from internet governance and cyberwarfare to critical infrastructure, data security and supply chain management. The program also includes courses in policy formation, computer sciences, law, ethics, business, and international relations to cultivate a holistic understanding of one the most important security trends in the 21st Century.

All Global Affairs students take the same core courses. Each track has its own set of specialty courses. One of the highlights of the program is a core Capstone course, whereby students work on a policy relevant research topic with a mentor from a government agency, corporation, not-for-profit, or international organization. In addition to the mentor, students are also teamed up with a FIU faculty supervisor with expertise on the topic. Non-credit professional development seminars (on topics such as career development, handling the media, conflict resolution, negotiation skills, leadership, grant writing, etc.) also make up a part of the program. Finally, optional language instruction is also available through the Green School's Strategic Language Institute.

Admission Requirements

1. Baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution for higher education, or equivalent degree from a foreign institution.
2. 3.0 GPA in the last 60 upper division credits of undergraduate degree.
3. Two letters of recommendation (professional and academic recommendations only; at least one letter needs to be from a faculty member; a professional letter should come from a supervisor).
4. Curriculum Vitae.
5. A statement of purpose (750 words) describing the candidate's academic and professional background as well as proposed track of study and career aspirations.

In addition, foreign students must:

Official TOEFL scores (Note: unofficial scores will not be taken into consideration)

1. Paper and Pencil: 550
2. Internet-based: 80

The above admission requirements are minimums and not all students meeting them are assured admission. Students with a grade-point average below the above minimums may still apply and request a waiver of those scores. The student must provide a justification as to why the waiver should be approved.

Degree Requirements

The Master of Arts in Global Affairs program requires a total of 36 credits. Students take 18 credits of core courses. The remaining 18 credits are specialty courses associated with each track.

Core Courses: (18 credits)

ISS 6216	Foundations of Globalization	3
ECO 6025	Economic Policy Analysis for Global Governance	3
ISS 6307	Research Tools for Global Studies	3
ISS 6387	Analytical Writing and Presentation Skills	3
SYA 6655	Program Design and Evaluation	3
PAD 6306	Policy Analysis and Program Planning	3
ISS 6926	Capstone	3

Track 1: Globalization and Security (18 credits)

Specialty courses include (additional courses selected by the program administration may also be included):

DSC 6020	Terrorism and Homeland Security	3
GIS 5620	Surveillance, Intelligence, and International Relations	3
INR 6338	Seminar in Strategic Studies	3
CCJ 6676	Transnational Crime and National Security	3
INR 5012	Global Issues and Human Rights	3
INR 5352	Environment and Security	3
INR 5066	Global and Human Security	3
INR 5935	Topics in International Relations	3
REL 5149	Religion, Violence, and Conflict	3
ISS 6327	Global Security Risks and the Private Sector	3
ISS 6249	Migration, Security and Globalization	3
ISS 6219	International Law and Global Security	3
ISS 6132	Intelligence Community Successes and Failures: Policy Implications	3

ISS 6640	Global Financial Crimes	3
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Track 2: Global Risk and Corporate Responsibility (18 credits)

Specialty courses include (additional courses selected by the program administration may also be included):

ISS 6259	Corporate Diplomacy	3
ISS 6246	Global Economy and Industrial Sustainability	3
ISS 6248	Public-Private Partnerships for Social Impact	3
ISS 6247	Social Enterprise and Grassroots Innovation	3
ISS 6409	Capstone Reporting	3
ISS 6327	Global Security Risks and the Private Sector	3

Track 3: International Development (18 Credits)

Specialty courses include (additional courses selected by the program administration may also be included):

ISS 6609	Quantitative Methods	3
ISS 6630	Markets, Governments and Public Policy	3
ISS 6615	International Development Policy	3
ISS 6610	Global Economy, Finance and Institutions	3
ISS 6275	Growth, Development, and Policy	3
ISS 6660	International Trade for Global Affairs	3

Track 4: International Crime & Justice —Online (18 credits)

Accelerated specialty courses include (additional courses selected by the program administration may also be included):

CCJ 6676	Transnational Crime and National Security	3
CCJ 6079	Geospatial Crime Analysis	3
CCJ 6040	Comparative Crime and Criminal Justice Systems	3
CCJ 6675	Applied Research in Human Rights & Rule of Law	3
CCJ 6620	Immigration and Crime	3
CCJ 6696	Human Trafficking	3
ISS 6640	Global Financial Crimes	3
DSC 6020	Terrorism and Homeland Security	3

Track 5: Cybersecurity and Technology Policy — Online (18 credits)

Specialty courses include (additional courses selected by the program administration may also be included):

CIS 5027	Computer Systems Fundamentals	3
ISS 5654	Foundations of Cybersecurity and Technology Policy	3
ISS 5656	Cyberspace and Globalization	3
ISS 6658	Cyber Warfare and Strategy	3
ISS 6655	Issues in Cybersecurity and Technology Policy	3
LAW 7707	Cybersecurity and Privacy Law	3

Internships

Global Affairs students are highly encouraged to secure an internship during the summer between year 1 and 2 of the program. The internship should be relevant to the track of study and may take place at a corporation, non-profit organization, international institution, or government agency.

Graduation Requirements

In order to graduate, a student must earn a minimum grade of a C, maintain a 3.0 GPA and complete satisfactorily the prescribed curriculum.

Course Descriptions

Definition of Prefixes

ECO-Economics; ISS-Interdisciplinary Social Sciences; SYA-Sociological Analysis

ECO 6025 Economic Policy Analysis for Global Governance (3). Designed for MA students in the Global Governance program, the course provides training in applied microeconomic and policy analysis.

ISS 5127 Urbanization and Disaster Risk (3). Examines trends and characteristics of urbanization, taking cities as heterogeneous, dynamic, and complex spaces, with emphasis on risk construction and social vulnerabilities. Prerequisite: Graduate Standing.

ISS 5135 National Security Essentials (3). An examination of the U.S. national security structure, current security-related controversies and potential U.S. responses to security threats.

ISS 5267 Global Solutions to Sex Trafficking (3). Engage students in understanding and creating solutions to global sex trafficking using collaborative problem solving, policy analysis, and social innovation and entrepreneurship.

ISS 5309 Visual Methods in Social Sciences Research (3). Interdisciplinary course explores use of visual methods in social sciences research, focusing on documentary film and PhotoVoice techniques.

ISS 5388 Communicating Analytically (3). Improves analytic communications for government professionals, enhancing research and effective writing skills and developing briefing techniques.

ISS 5654 Foundations of Cybersecurity and Technology Policy (3). Provides a foundational understanding of the technical and non-technical considerations influencing global cybersecurity and technology policy.

ISS 5656 Cyberspace and Globalization (3). Provides an overview of how cybersecurity and the shifting technological landscape impact the world and the opportunities and challenges these changes, amplified by globalization, pose to security.

ISS 6111 Leadership Dynamics in Global Risk and Corporate Responsibility (3). Train students to lead organizations to thrive in a global economy, while providing the necessary leadership skills to enable students to make better decisions in Corporate Social Responsibility.

ISS 6126 Livelihoods Protection and Disaster Risk Reduction (3). Examines linkages between livelihoods protection and disaster risk reduction to reduce community vulnerabilities to natural to enhance hazard-sensitive livelihood strategies and interventions. Prerequisite: Graduate standing.

ISS 6132 Intelligence Community Successes and Failures: Policy Implications (3). Reviews how historical United States Intelligence Community successes and

failures shaped U.S foreign and domestic policy and examines current organizational structures.

ISS 6216 Foundations of Globalization (3). Advanced course to introduce students in the M.A. in Global Governance to the many nuances of globalization.

ISS 6219 International Law and Global Security (3). This course examines the relationship between international law and global security. Particular attention is paid to laws of war and international military intervention, international criminal law.

ISS 6246 Global Economy and Industrial Sustainability (3). Development paradigms and international economic evolution paths are analyzed in light of sustainability and institutional citizenship frameworks.

ISS 6247 Social Enterprise and Grassroots Innovation (3). This course introduce students to the theory and practice of social enterprise and grassroots innovation and how to devise sustainable, market-driven solutions to pressing socioeconomic challenges.

ISS 6248 Public-Private Partnerships for Social Impact (3). This course examines how governments are partnering with for-profit and non-profit organizations to shape public policy and solve some of the world's most intractable social problems.

ISS 6249 Migration, Security and Globalization (3). Migratory flows associated with globalization, their benefits, effects and impact on security. It will examine the problems posed by new presences and the policies and practices that can resolve them.

ISS 6259 Corporate Diplomacy (3). Examine the role of governments, community stakeholders, multilateral organizations, international non-profit organizations, and multi-sector partnerships in promoting peace and social justice.

ISS 6266 Democracy and Human Rights: From Theory to Practice (3). Examines Democracy and Human Rights around the world, particularly in key countries such as Russia, China, Egypt and Cuba.

ISS 6275 Growth, Development, and Policy (3). Provides understanding as to why some countries are rich and others poor, and why some countries grow quickly and others slowly.

ISS 6307 Research Tools for Global Studies (3). Designed for MA students in the Global Governance program, the course provides qualitative and quantitative research methods in Global Studies. Prerequisite: Graduate standing.

ISS 6327 Global Security Risks and the Private Sector (3). This course will consider the nature of the contemporary risks facing firms operating in the global marketplace and what strategies can be implemented by the global companies to minimize vulnerability.

ISS 6384 Reputation and Crisis Management (3). Establish an understanding of mass communication principles and how they can be utilized to implement strategies and tactics related to reputation management and crisis communications.

ISS 6387 Analytical Writing and Presentation Skills (3). Designed for MA students in the Global Governance

program, the course provides training in communication skills by applying appropriate strategies for different types of writing and presentation.

ISS 6409 Capstone Reporting (3). This course provides methods and tools to communicate objectives, results, challenges and recommendations of capstone projects as well as of social responsibility initiatives in general.

ISS 6658 Cyber Warfare and Strategy (3). Surveys current concepts and trends in cybersecurity strategy used during times of cyber conflict. Examines differences between offensive and defensive cyber capabilities and strategy development.

ISS 6660 International Trade for Global Affairs (3). Focuses on global economic integration and the institutions that regulate it.

ISS 6609 Quantitative Methods (3). Expands the focus on linear regression, causal inference, and provides an introduction to more advanced methods, such as time series, panel data and instrumental variables.

ISS 6610 Global Economy, Finance, and Institutions (3). Examines modern theory of macroeconomics in the context of the global economy, and applies it to gain an understanding of recent issues and policy responses.

ISS 6615 International Development Policy (3). Provides a broad introduction into the various policy-relevant aspects of the economics of international development.

ISS 6630 Markets, Governments and Public Policy (3). Surveys the field of Public Economics, which explores the rationales for and consequences of government intervention in markets.

ISS 6640 Global Financial Crimes (3). Provide a solid conceptual foundation of global financial crimes and understanding of the causes and reasons for global money laundering, terrorism, corruption, tax evasion and other financial crimes.

ISS 6650 US-Russian Relations and Their Impact on Global Security (3). Focus on the state of Europe both past and present, debate over enlargement of European institutions, challenges of the Russian relationship and other factors as its implicates on global security.

ISS 6655 Issues in Cybersecurity and Technology Policy (3). Examine key issues such as internet governance, supply chain management, critical infrastructure, cyber warfare and the weaponization of information

ISS 6690 Professionalization Seminar (0). Weekly seminar led by array of GSS faculty covering topics to aid in professionalization of future faculty and social researchers.

ISS 6917 Directed Research Project in Applied Interdisciplinary Social Science (1-9). Allows for a graduate student to design, complete, and present findings from an applied social science research project, under the direction of a faculty member.

ISS 6926 Capstone (3). This course is designed to allow students to apply the skills and methods acquired throughout the program to a significant policy-relevant case study or issue. Prerequisite: Graduate standing.

SYA 6655 Program Design and Evaluation (3). Designed for MA students in the Global Governance program, the course provides training in program design and evaluation. Prerequisite: Graduate standing.

Interdisciplinary Courses

The Green School has several interdisciplinary programs which are not based in a specific academic department. The courses offered by these programs, therefore, are not found in the departmental listings in the Catalogs, but are included here.

LBS 5155 Workplace Diversity (3). Students examine theoretical debates surrounding workforce participation of women and minorities; historical position of these groups in labor force; social phenomena that contribute to discriminatory practices and development of policies to eliminate discriminatory practices.

LBS 5215 Women in the Workplace (3). Students explore women's changing role in the U.S. and global economy. Special attention is given to the role of race, class, and ethnicity within the context of gender and work.

LBS 5406 Collective Bargaining and Labor Relations (3). A comprehensive study of major issues and themes in American collective bargaining. Includes origins of collective bargaining, labor law, unionization, contract negotiation, patterns in contract content, impact of external laws, public sector unions, grievance arbitration and interest arbitration. Prerequisite: Permission of Instructor.

LBS 5464 Labor Arbitration (3). Study of labor dispute resolution with emphasis on grievances, fact-finding, and arbitration.

LBS 5465 Mediation Techniques (3). Examines the role of mediation in resolving civil, commercial, family, public, and workplace disputes. Incorporates mediation principles and skills, different approaches to mediation, and current research in mediation. Prerequisite: Permission of Instructor.

LBS 5466 Family Mediation (3). Provides a comprehensive understanding of conflict resolution, power and balances, emotional and psychological issues, negotiation techniques as well as the development of practical skills in the field of family mediation. Prerequisite: Permission of Instructor.

LBS 5467 Civil Mediation (3). A comprehensive understanding of the field of civil mediation as well as the development of the practical skills to be a civil mediator. Prerequisite: Permission of Instructor.

LBS 5485 Fundamentals of Conflict Resolution (3). Survey of the major contemporary theories of organizational functioning and the management of conflict within and among organizations in a globalized world. Theories that center primarily within the fields of dispute resolution, sociology, and social interaction/ group theory will be emphasized. Prerequisite: Permission of Instructor.

LBS 5486 The Dynamics of Conflict Management (3). Investigate conflict and violence, and help students to develop strategies to defuse them in the classroom.

LBS 5488 Organizational Conflict and Dispute Resolution Systems (3). Examines the causes, consequences, and cost of organizational conflict and the

dispute resolution systems organizations use to resolve conflict.

LBS 5507 Labor and Employment Law (3). Familiarizes the student with the legal issues and rules regarding unionization of employees, the collective bargaining process, the relationship between the employee and his/her union, and the administration of collective bargaining agreements. Examines the legal framework within which collective bargaining occurs and also familiarizes students with additional issues of rights in employment. Prerequisite: Permission of Instructor.

LBS 5658 Labor Movements and Economic Development (3). Relationships between union and economic development strategies in developing/recently developed countries; emphasis on social movement unionism and unions in Latin America and Asia. Prerequisite: Permission of Instructor.

LBS 5930 Topics in Labor Studies (1-3). Selected topics or themes in Labor Studies. Themes will vary from semester to semester. With a change in content, course may be repeated. May include field work. Prerequisite: Graduate standing.

LBS 5931 Topics in the Philosophy and Methods of Conflict Resolution (3). Provides an examination of the philosophy, methods, and research in the field of conflict resolution. The particular content and orientation of the course may vary according to the particular focus examined. Prerequisite: Permission of Instructor.

LBS 6906 Directed Individual Study (3). Specialized intensive study in areas of interest to student. Student plans and carries out independent study project under the direction of faculty member. Topics must relate to content of Labor Studies or ADR. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

LBS 6945 Internship Labor Studies/Alternative Dispute Resolutions (3). Practical training and experience in organization according to students needs and interests. Reports and papers required. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.