

# INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS & GLOBAL STUDIES/PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION, BA/MPA

**Campus:** NYC, Westchester

International Relations and Global Studies BA + Public Administration MPA accelerated degree program:

The five-year combined degree program in International Relations and Global Studies (IRGS) and Public Administration (PAA) creates an integrated path from undergraduate to graduate study, allowing students to earn both their bachelor's and master's degrees in five years without interruption. It prepares students for professional careers in international organizations, government agencies, non-profit organizations, non-governmental organizations (NGOs), the Foreign Service, or multinational corporations. Students in this program will gain a uniquely marketable set of skills that will allow them to succeed professionally in the multi-disciplinary global environment.

Students should ideally complete their undergraduate core curriculum credits and International Relations and Global Studies major requirements by the end of their third year so that they may begin graduate courses in their senior year. Students will take a minimum of 144 credits total combined for the BA and MPA degrees. Up to 18 graduate credits may be applied towards the 120 credits needed for the BA degree, while also helping to fulfill the 42 credits of requirements for the MPA program. This program requires close advisement and students should see the faculty advisor for the program early on. Students who have demonstrated academic readiness by achieving a 3.0 QPA or higher are eligible to apply.

Information on the MPA curriculum may be found here: Master of Public Administration, MPA (<https://catalog.pace.edu/graduate/schools/dyson-college-arts-sciences/dyson-graduate-programs-curriculum/master-public-administration-program/master-public-administration-mpa/>)

Note: Students who entered Pace University before Fall 2026, and are taking 'AOKs' as part of their undergraduate core curriculum requirements, should consult the undergraduate catalogue under which they entered and/or contact their advisor for worksheets specific to them.

## major completion summary

Requirement	Credits
University Core Requirements (Undergraduate)	38-49
Major Requirements (Undergraduate)	42
Open Electives (Undergraduate)	29-40
Additional Graduate Courses for MPA	42
<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>144</b>

## University Core Requirements (38-49 Credits)

See complete University Core (<https://catalog.pace.edu/undergraduate/university-core-curriculum/>) requirements.

For this combined degree program, students may not fulfill the General Core requirement to take NSS courses through taking POL or PAA courses.

## Major Requirements (42 Credits)

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Required Courses (Part 1)</b>		<b>12</b>
POL 114	Introduction to International Relations	
POL 208	Global Political Thought (or approved internationally focused theory class such as POL 196F, POL 243, POL 303F)	
POL 240	Applied Research Methods (or completion of foreign language through intermediate level two (fourth semester))	
or MAT 134	Introduction to Probability and Statistics	
Capstone or Internship Experience: POL 499 or POL 393 or POL 395		
<b>*Major Electives (Part 2)</b>		<b>15</b>
15 credits: of which 9 credits must be in Political Science (chosen from the POL courses in list below), and the remaining 6 credits must be non-POL courses (chosen from non-POL courses in the list below or from the eligible minors in part III.) (See special rules for part II if student takes Diplomacy minor) <sup>2</sup>		
ANT 120	People and Cultures of the Middle East	
ANT 108	Global Culture and Local Identities	
ANT 196D	Topic: Human Rights and Global Development	

ANT 196F	Topic: Civilization of India
ANT 216	African Diaspora Through Film
ANT 218	Women and Gender Through a Global Perspective
ANT 227	Economic Anthropology
ANT 228	Political Anthropology
ANT 229	Policy and Culture in the European Union
ANT 296A	Immigration and Transnationalism
ANT 296E	Topic: Racial and Ethnic Conflict: A Global Perspective
ANT 296L	Women and Gender Through a Global Perspective
ANT 296R	Topic: Political Violence and Social Change in Latin America
POL 120	Crimes Against Humanity: Political Perspectives
POL 210	Comparative Political Systems
POL 214	Revolution or Reform
POL 215	Chinese Politics
POL 219	International Political Economy and Globalization
POL 225	Global Justice
POL 233	Advanced International Relations
POL 241	Classical Political Thought
POL 243	Modern Political Theory
POL 247	International Law and Human Rights
POL 270	Global Politics of Disarmament and Arms Control
POL 271	Environmental Politics
POL 272	Ocean Politics
POL 296B	Topic: Comparative Politics in Western Europe
POL 296H	Topic: Human Rights and Global Politics
POL 296J	Topic: Ethnic Conflict and Nationalism
POL 296P	Topic: Middle East Politics
POL 297T	Topics: Russian Foreign Policy
POL 302M	Workshop: Immigration, Race and Citizenship in the United States
POL 302J	Workshops: Sustainability and Sovereignty in the 21st Century
POL 303D	Workshop: International Issues and Trouble Spots
POL 301	Workshop: Community Politics and Environment
POL 303A	Politics Workshop: International Organization
POL 303C	Politics Workshop: United Nations
POL 303F	Workshop: Freedom in the World
POL 303K	POL 303K Workshop: Topics in Political Science: Brazil
POL 303M	Topics: Migration Politics: From Displacement to Deportation
POL 310	Politics of Southeast Asia
POL 322	Diplomacy
POL 325	Conflict Analysis
POL 326	Reconciliation and Transitional Justice
POL 330	Politics of the Global City
POL 396A	Topic: Post-Communist Transitions in Eastern Europe and Central Asia
PAA 101	Public Administration and Its Environment
PAA 102	Organizational Planning and Budget Process
FIN 396H	Topics: Finance and Society
MGT 240	International Management
MGT 319	International Entrepreneurship
MGT 342	The Human Dimension in International Management
MGT 346	International Management Environments: Regional Perspectives

Eligible Minors: History (HIS), Economics (ECO), Environmental Studies (ENV/ENS), East Asian Studies, Latin American Studies (LAS), Women's and Gender Studies (WGS), Peace and Justice Studies (PJS), Nonprofit Studies, French (FRE), French Studies, Italian (ITA), Italian Studies, Russian (RUS), Spanish (SPA), Translation Studies, Critical Race and Ethnicity Studies (GRES), CMS, and Diplomacy<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Courses taken in Part 1 and 2 may not be double counted in the minor. (If student is double majoring in program instead of just doing a minor, 12 credits may double count).

<sup>2</sup> Note: Diplomacy minors must take at least 9 credits of eligible non-POL courses in fulfilling parts 1 and 2.

## Open Electives (29-40 Credits)

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Open electives</b>		<b>29-40</b>
UNV 101	First-Year Seminar: Introduction to University Community	1
Open Electives		28-39

## Public Administration MPA Courses (42 Credits)

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Public Administration Graduate Courses<sup>1</sup></b>		<b>42</b>
PAA 601	Public Administration and its Environment	
PAA 602	Organization Theory and Management	
PAA 603	Economics of Government, Health Care and Nonprofit Entities	
PAA 604	Budgeting and Financial Analysis	
PAA 606	Research Design for Administrators	
PAA 607	Applied Data Analysis	
PAA required TRACK course <sup>2</sup>		
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PAA graduate elective/specialization course <sup>2</sup>		
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PAA 699	Capstone Project Seminar	

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<sup>2</sup> For the MPA portion of the combined program, students can select between the 'Government Management', 'Nonprofit Management' & 'Health Care Administration' tracks in the MPA, in consultation with undergraduate and graduate advisors. For eligible "elective/specialization" courses and the most up-to-date requirements for the MPA, contact the Public Administration department.

Course	Title	Credits
<b>First Year</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
POL 114	Introduction to International Relations	3
UNV 101	First-Year Seminar: Introduction to University Community	1
MAT 102 or MAT 134	Mathematics for Life or Introduction to Probability and Statistics	3
Foreign Language based on placement		3
LC and/or General Core Course		3
LC and/or ENG 110 (depending on placement)		3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>16</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
POL 208	Global Political Thought	3
ENG 120	Critical Writing	4
COM 200	Public Speaking	3

Course from chosen minor (see part III of IRGS major worksheet)	3
Foreign Language based on placement exam	3
<b>Credits</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Second Year</b>	
<b>Fall</b>	
Lab Science	4
CIS 101 Introduction to Computing	3
Foreign Language - next class in sequence AND/OR General Core course (AH or NSS)	3
WE and/or General Core course	
Choose non-POL class from elective list in part II of IRGS major (or MAT core foundations core)	3
<b>Credits</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Spring</b>	
POL 240 Applied Research Methods (or fourth semester of foreign language) or MAT 134 or Introduction to Probability and Statistics	3
Choose POL class from elective list in part II of IRGS major	3
Course from selected minor (part III of IRGS worksheet)	3
CE course (one that also fulfills General Core requirement)	3
ENG 201 Writing in the Disciplines	3
<b>Credits</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Third Year</b>	
<b>Fall</b>	
PAA 601 Public Administration and its Environment or PAA 602 or Organization Theory and Management	3
Choose non-POL course from eligible courses in part II of IRGS worksheet	3
Course from selected minor (part III of IRGS worksheet)	3
Choose POL class from elective list in part II of IRGS worksheet	3
General Core Course	3
<b>Credits</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Spring</b>	
General Core Course (if needed)/WE/ARE course or open elective	3
Choose course from selected minor (part III of IRGS worksheet)	3
PAA 602 Organization Theory and Management or PAA 601 or Public Administration and its Environment	3
Choose course from selected minor (part III of IRGS worksheet)	3
Choose POL course from elective list in part II of IRGS major worksheet	3
<b>Credits</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Fourth Year</b>	
<b>Fall</b>	
POL 393 Internship in Government and Politics (or POL 395: Independent Study or POL 499: Capstone Thesis)	3
PAA 603 Economics of Government, Health Care and Nonprofit Entities (Any remaining undergraduate ARE/WE courses or courses)	3
PAA 604 Budgeting and Financial Analysis	3
PAA 606 Research Design for Administrators	3
Any remaining Undergraduate General Core/ARE/WE course or open elective	3
<b>Credits</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Spring</b>	
Any remaining Undergraduate ARE/General Core/Open Elective Course	3
PAA 604 Budgeting and Financial Analysis	3
PAA – Graduate Elective/Specialization Course	3
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PAA – Graduate TRACK Course	3
<b>Credits</b>	<b>15</b>

**Fifth Year****Fall**

PAA 607	Applied Data Analysis (MPA Open Track in subject PAA)	3
PAA - Graduate TRACK course		3
PAA – Graduate Elective/Specialization Course		3
Any remaining Undergraduate courses		3

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<b>Credits</b>	<b>12</b>
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**Spring**

PAA - Graduate TRACK course		3
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PAA – Graduate Elective/Specialization Course		3
PAA 699	Capstone Project Seminar	3

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