

Master in International Security

General objectives

The academic program of this master focuses on the radical changes in international security issues in the 21st century: in the international environment (remodelling of the geopolitical system, new forms of crisis and conflict, controversial military interventions, international terrorism, nuclear proliferation, cyber warfare, etc.), conflict regions and the specific internal transformations in security and defence activities (specialization, institutional transformation, "judicialization", technological developments, etc).

Main orientations and specific features

This intensive two-year program is divided into three academic semesters and one semester outside the school spent in a professional internship or a study program in a partner university.

Students follow the fundamentals common to all PSIA (Paris School of International Affairs) programs, with courses in global politics, international law and international economics, enabling them to acquire the fundamental concepts and tools to analyze the contemporary world. They also acquire basic management tools and expertise in quantitative methods.

On top of fundamentals, students study 9 specialized courses (core courses) addressing the major themes of international security, choosing a particular approach taught to a very high level of expertise by academics and practitioners among the following fields:

- Security
- Use of Force
- Proliferation and Arms Control
- Workshop in Conflict Resolution
- Conflicts
- Post Conflict
- War and Law and International Justice
- Multilateral Security

Students therefore choose two concentrations, each of which consists of four courses, including a mandatory regional concentration, to develop or expand their knowledge of a particular region in the world, within a multidisciplinary framework.

The program enjoys close collaboration with French defense institutions, notably the Saint-Cyr-Coetquidan military school and the French Navy Centre d'Etudes Supérieur, allowing students to familiarize themselves with the existing articulations between public and private decision making in the fields of defence and security. This collaboration also allows them to acquire the theoretical and technical knowledge related to these issues, along with an overall vision of the issues involved in defence, peace-keeping and international security.

Career opportunities

The International Security program is aimed at applicants with a well designed career plan. Previous work experience related to the field of international security is not a requirement, but it is certainly valued in the selection process. The majority of our international security graduates work in national administrations and governments, international organisations, non-governmental organizations as well as in private companies. The main sectors of employment include defence, intelligence gathering, advising on country risk, peace-keeping, conflict resolution and reconstruction of fragile and failing states

Programs

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