

Master of Arts in Applied International Studies

A New Offering from the Henry M. Jackson School of International Studies



Accelerate Your Career With a Master's Degree

The Master of Arts in Applied International Studies at the University of Washington is an intensive new graduate degree program designed for professionals seeking to accelerate their careers by gaining a deeper understanding of the world and the foreign affairs arena.

MAAIS Program Features

- Earn your graduate degree in 10 months
- Study with world-class Jackson School faculty drawn from a diverse range of disciplines
- Learn together with a dynamic cohort of international professionals
- Engage with leading Seattle-based business and philanthropic leaders

The MAAIS program is intended for U.S. and international applicants who hold a bachelor's degree and have at least five years of experience in fields across the international affairs spectrum — including business, government, military and philanthropy — and beyond.

Application Deadline

April 4, 2014

Program Starts

Autumn 2014

Location

UW Seattle campus

Format

Daytime, classroom

Duration

10 months

Credit Requirement

43 credits

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Gain a Global & Multidisciplinary Perspective

Contemporary international affairs professionals need an increasingly global perspective to make sense of the dynamic political, social, economic and security issues facing leaders in today's interconnected world. A multidisciplinary perspective is also required to work effectively across the foreign affairs arena, including interaction with governments, international organizations and NGOs, foundations and businesses of all kinds.

The MAAIS program delivers both perspectives, bridging theory and practice by combining the following elements:

- **Comprehensive Global View** — Cutting-edge curriculum that leverages the Jackson School's strengths in global area studies, politics and social change, demography and migration, and more, and offers a comprehensive understanding of the historical drivers, current realities and future trends facing key regions around the globe
- **Jackson School Partners** — Contributions by top leaders from business, government, foundations and nonprofit organizations
- **Valuable Real-World Skills** — Instruction and assignments that focus on polishing skills in briefing, policy writing, public speaking, negotiation and critical data analysis
- **Team-Based Learning** — Opportunities to work in teams with other professionals of diverse backgrounds to conduct in-depth analysis and deliver actionable policy recommendations that respond to pressing global challenges

Study in Seattle — a Hub of Innovation

The University of Washington's location in the heart of Seattle, a global city and major international trading port set strategically on the Pacific Rim, provides an unparalleled learning experience for students. Seattle-based companies and organizations are not only at the forefront of U.S.-Asia relations, they are driving American innovation, pioneering advances in technology and leading the fields of global health, biomedical research, environmental sustainability, strategic philanthropy, international development and more. The MAAIS program taps into this expertise, bringing leaders from across the Seattle community directly into the classroom.

The Henry M. Jackson School of International Studies

The University of Washington Jackson School of International Studies is uniquely situated to provide students with a deep understanding of today's world. One of the world's pre-eminent institutions for global area studies, the Jackson School hosts nine area studies master's programs, a Ph.D. program and 14 area research centers.

Eight of these centers – dedicated to the understanding of a particular region's history, language and culture – are designated as National Resource Centers by the U.S. Department of Education.

- Canadian Studies Center
- Center for Global Studies
- Center for West European Studies
- East Asia Center
- Ellison Center for Russian, East European and Central Asian Studies
- Middle East Center
- South Asia Center
- Southeast Asia Center

Henry M. Jackson

Henry M. "Scoop" Jackson was a United States congressman and senator representing Washington state for more than four decades (1941–1983). Recognizing the need for training in international affairs, Jackson helped kick off fundraising for the school in 1978. The school was named for Jackson after his death five years later, a tribute to his distinguished career in foreign affairs, his commitment to international education and his steadfast support of the University of Washington.

