



POLITICAL SCIENCE NEWSLETTER

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Department to Offer *Master of Arts in International Affairs*



After a four year wait, the Department finally received approval by the TN Higher Education Commission to implement a Masters of Arts in International Affairs (MAIA). Designed for students with an intense interest in and desire to work in the professional fields related to international affairs, the MAIA will offer concentrations

in International Security and Peace Studies, and Globalization and International Development.

The new MAIA will officially launch in the Fall 2012, though students may qualify for early admission beginning in the spring.

Requirements will include:

Core courses:

- PS 6100 Seminar in International Relations
- PS 6200 Seminar in Comparative Politics
- PS 6400 Global Governance
- PS 6500 Research Methods

Concentration: (students select one)

A) International Security and Peace Studies

- PS 6110 International Security
- PS 6120 Peace & Conflict Resolution
- And 6 hours of electives

or

B) International Development and Globalization

- PS 6210 Global Political Economy
- PS 6220 International Development
- And 6 hours of electives

6 Hours Interdisciplinary Electives

6 Hours of Thesis Research or Internship

For more information visit

www.mtsu.edu/MAIA

The MAIA will provide students...

- A deep understanding of the latest research and methods in international issues
- The skills to organize practical field projects, work in interdisciplinary teams, and prepare and conduct professional presentations
- The theoretical and methodological tools to evaluate national or international policies
- Creativity, self-reflection, and a complex understanding of foreign cultures
- The foundations for a professional international career and/or doctoral level study.



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