

MIPP AFFILIATIONS – FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Who is eligible to select an MIPP Affiliation?

Starting with the fall 2010 semester, MIPP students at the DC campus will have the option of officially affiliating with a SAIS program.

Current MIPP students who are able to meet the requirements of an affiliation based on a combination of work already completed and remaining work will be able to request an official affiliation using the MIPP Affiliation Request Form.

Is affiliating with a program required?

Selecting an affiliation is not required; it is an option for those students interested in creating an official association with one of the SAIS program areas.

Which programs will be accepting MIPP affiliates?

The following programs will accept MIPP affiliates:

- International Economics
- IR/Conflict Management
- IR/Energy, Resources & Environment
- IR/Global Theory and History
- IR/International Law & Organizations
- IR/Strategic Studies
- African Studies
- American Foreign Policy
- Asia/China Studies
- Asia/Japan Studies
- Asia/Korea Studies
- Asia/South Asia Studies
- Asia/Southeast Asia Studies
- European Studies
- Middle East Studies
- Russian and Eurasian Studies
- Western Hemisphere/Canadian Studies
- Western Hemisphere/Latin American Studies

What does an MIPP affiliation mean?

MIPP affiliates will be eligible to participate in all program activities that are available to MA concentrators. In order to assure that MIPP affiliates are up-to-date on program activities, they will be included on the program mailing list. This may not include funding opportunities, as each program may decide if funding opportunities are open to MIPP students.

Where can I find the requirements for affiliating with a particular program?

The minimum requirement for MIPP affiliations is three courses offered by or cross-listed with the program of affiliation; however, some programs may have additional requirements like a higher course minimum, specific courses or language study.

The MIPP Affiliation Chart 2010-2011 contains the requirements for each affiliation. Starting with the fall 2010 cohort, two out of the first four courses completed must count towards the affiliation.

What is the deadline for declaring an affiliation?

MIPP students who wish to declare an affiliation will do so prior to or during the first week of classes of their first semester. An affiliation can be requested using the MIPP Affiliation Request Form.

Only in exceptional situations will an MIPP student be allowed to add/change an affiliation. Full-time students will not be allowed to change their affiliation after the second week of classes in the first semester, and part-time students will not be allowed to change their affiliation after the second week of classes in the second semester. However, a student may drop the affiliation option at any point. This timeline for declaring an affiliation allows students to (1) enroll in any required introductory coursework and (2) complete the requirements within the eight required MIPP courses.

What is a limited enrollment program?

Limited enrollment programs must limit the number of MA concentrators and MIPP affiliates because of the large number of students interested in these programs. This ensures that they have the resources necessary to accommodate their students.

It is up to the discretion of the program how many MIPP affiliates will be accepted each year. Students interested in affiliating with limited enrollment programs are encouraged to request an alternate choice.

Which programs will have limited enrollment during the 2010-2011 academic year?

The only limited enrollment program offering an MIPP affiliation for the 2010-2011 academic year is Energy, Resources & Environment. Students interested in affiliating with this program are encouraged to request an alternate choice.

How can I change my MIPP affiliation?

Students that want to change their affiliation should contact their academic advisor, Stephanie Hedge, at 202.663.7798 or stephanie.hedge@jhu.edu. She can assist students in dropping their affiliation at any point. However, selecting a new affiliation is subject to (1) the rule on affiliating with limited enrollment programs and (2) the timeline for declaring an affiliation.

Is it possible to affiliate with multiple programs?

No. Due to the limited coursework and length of the program, students may only select one affiliation.

Will the affiliation appear on my SAIS transcript?

The affiliation will be noted on the transcript.

Is there a bidding benefit for MIPP affiliates?

MIPP students who affiliate with a program will receive automatic entry into any required introductory courses. Additionally, some programs may elect to provide limited priority access to MIPP affiliates, but no priority access will be available for economics courses.

MIPP students affiliated with a program that allows priority seating will be eligible to receive priority seating in one course in their area of affiliation. Priority seating means that the student does not need to bid unless the number of students with priority seating is higher than the number of seats available in the class. If the number of students with priority seating exceeds the number of available seats in the class, priority students will bid against each other. This bidding benefit will be applicable only to a course within the area of affiliation; it cannot be applied to a cross-listed course.

The following programs will provide priority seating in one course in the area of affiliation:

- IR/Conflict Management
- IR/Energy, Resources & Environment
- IR/Global Theory and History
- IR/International Law & Organizations
- IR/Strategic Studies
- African Studies
- American Foreign Policy
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