International Development Learning Goals

International Development concentrators will be able to critically analyze international political, economic and social questions from a variety of perspectives. They will develop practical skills for problem-solving, using tools and approaches from more than one discipline. In choosing their fields of study and extra-curricular options, students will develop their own interests and expertise within the broader field of international development.

Learning Objectives:

1. Students should be able to express themselves orally and in writing clearly, concisely and persuasively;
2. Understand and critically analyze:
   a. Key economic, political and social approaches or schools of thought in international development
   b. Major current issues, organizations and actors in international development
   c. A specific academic area of interest via a chosen specialized track or professional field
   d. The roles played by communities, local and national governments, private and public sector actors in their track
   e. The data in international development and its limitations; and
3. Demonstrate practical, cross-disciplinary problem-solving skills using quantitative and qualitative tools.