



The Paul H. Nitze
School of Advanced
International Studies

JOHNS HOPKINS
UNIVERSITY

Global Theory & History | M.A. Requirements 2010-2011

CONCENTRATION

Students concentrating in Global Theory & History must take 3 (or 4) courses within this program.*

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Students also must fulfill the general requirements for the field of International Relations, that is, an additional 2 courses within IR, including courses from two programs other than Global Theory & History.*

INTERNATIONAL ECONOMICS

All candidates for the M.A. degree must complete a concentration in the field of International Economics by taking 4-6 economics courses at SAIS. Students can also pursue a [specialization](#) within International Economics by taking additional course work.

CORE COURSES

All SAIS students must pass 2 core exams and/or courses. Global Theory & History concentrators must pass Theories of International Relations as one of their core requirements prior to the start of their third semester. If the other core is not completed by the start of their final semester, the student must enroll in a core course.

LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

MA candidates must pass exams to demonstrate proficiency in a language taught at SAIS. International students whose native language is not English may use English as their proficiency language. Non-native English speakers are required to pass an English placement exam upon entering SAIS.

CAPSTONE

Global Theory & History concentrators must complete ONE of the following capstones:

1. A twenty-page research paper whose focus and subject matter has been approved by the director
2. A twenty-page written report that draws conclusions about international relations or international political economy based on an internship undertaken while at SAIS
3. Successful completion of Contemporary Theory of International Relations (SA.600.702)
4. MA Oral Exam (to compete for honors- if eligible)

* *International Relations concentrators studying at the Bologna Center must take at least three IR courses in Washington. Exception: those concentrators who are joint-degree students or have advanced standing, must take at least two IR courses in Washington.*

A total of 16 courses are required for an MA degree.

Requirements for AY 09/10 class