



# MIPP AFFILIATIONS 2014-2015

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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### Who is eligible to select an MIPP Affiliation?

MIPP students at the DC campus have the option of officially affiliating with a SAIS program area.

### 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 accept MIPP affiliates:

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

\* **International Development (IDEV) and IR/Energy, Resources & Environment (ERE)** - Students interested in affiliating must be approved by the program. Student must submit a resume and written statement with the request to affiliate. While only a limited number of students can affiliate, ERE and IDEV courses are open to all students.

### What does an MIPP affiliation mean?

MIPP affiliates are 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 are included on the program mailing list. This may not include funding opportunities, as each program decides 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. Additionally, two out of the first four courses completed must count towards the affiliation. Some programs may have additional requirements like a higher course minimum, specific courses or language study. The MIPP Affiliation Chart 2014-2015 contains the requirements for each affiliation.

**Note:** Students affiliated with **European and Eurasian Studies (EES)** do not have a course minimum. The EES affiliation is completed by passing one of the four EES comprehensive exam. An EES advisor will assist EES affiliates in selecting courses needed to prepare for the comprehensive exam.

### What is the deadline for declaring an affiliation?

MIPP students who wish to declare an affiliation must do so prior to or during the first week of classes of their first semester. An affiliation can be requested using the affiliation request form. Students interested in affiliating with a limited program must submit the form and required attachments by July 1, 2014. We highly recommend that all other students interested in affiliating with a program area submit the form by July 25, 2014.

Only in exceptional situations will an MIPP student be allowed to add/change an affiliation after the first week of classes of their first semester. However, a student can drop an affiliation at any point.

### **Is there a limit to the number of students who can affiliate with a program?**

Only International Development and Energy, Resources and Environment must limit the number of students who affiliate. Students interested in affiliating with IDEV or ERE must include a copy of their resume and brief written statement with their affiliation request form. While only a limited number of students can affiliate, IDEV and ERE courses are open to all students.

Additionally, we encourage students interested in affiliating with one of these programs to select an alternate option. To select an alternative affiliation, please contact Stephanie Hedge at [shedge1@jhu.edu](mailto:shedge1@jhu.edu).

### **How can I change/drop my MIPP affiliation?**

Students who want to change/drop their affiliation should contact their academic advisor, Stephanie Hedge, at 202.663.7798 or [shedge1@jhu.edu](mailto:shedge1@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 – 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 receive automatic entry into any required introductory course(s). Additionally, some programs provide limited priority access to MIPP affiliates. No priority access is available for economics courses.

MIPP students affiliated with a program that allows priority seating are 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, MIPP and MA students with priority seating bid against each other. This bidding benefit is applicable only to a course within the area of affiliation; it cannot be applied to a cross-listed course.

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

- American Foreign Policy
- Conflict Management
- Energy, Resources & Environment
- Global Theory and History
- International Law & Organizations
- Strategic Studies
- African Studies
- Canadian Studies
- China Studies
- Korea Studies
- Latin American Studies
- Middle East Studies\*
- South Asia Studies
- Southeast Asia Studies

\*Allows priority seating in all MES courses.