

Master of Advanced Studies in International Affairs

SECURITY OF THE ASIA-PACIFIC



MAS-IA students with
Professor Tai Ming Cheung

PART-TIME EVENING OPTION COMPLETED IN TWO YEARS

Two courses per quarter, six courses each academic year (September - June)

The Master of Advanced Studies in International Affairs (MAS-IA) career track in Security of the Asia-Pacific (SAPAC) benefits professionals seeking career advancement in various security-related vocations.

It is characterized by a curriculum focused on current debates about the security of states, the causes and contexts of conflict, environments and conditions that foster cooperation and the factors that generate both instability and peace.

Domestic and international professionals from the military, government agencies, defense industry and the nonprofit sector advance their careers and organizations with this degree.

The MAS-IA is among the elite approved civilian degrees in the nation for the Navy's Politico-Military curriculum (National Security/International Relations and Diplomacy) and Foreign Area Officers specializing in China, Northeast Asia, Southeast Asia and Latin America.

PROFESSIONALS IN THE PROGRAM WILL:

- » Establish an interdisciplinary foundation in international affairs and security through core, regional and career track courses
- » Tailor an education to meet professional needs through electives
- » Have access to faculty with security expertise in government, military, industry and NGOs
- » Develop analytical tools in a number of fields, including economics, public policy, political science and security
- » Study key political, economic and security developments in the Pacific region that are likely to affect their professional careers

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SAPAC Evening Option: Sample Curriculum

YEAR 1 CURRICULUM

FALL QUARTER

Core: Politics of International and National Policy Making

Core: Economies of the Pacific Rim

WINTER QUARTER

Career Track: Comparative Grand Strategy and Defense Policy

Career Track: International Relations and National Security of China

SPRING QUARTER

Career Track: Foundations of Strategic Studies

Elective: Cyber Security

YEAR 2 CURRICULUM

FALL QUARTER

Elective: Making US Foreign Policy *or* National Security Decision Making

or US-Latin American Relations

Regional Elective: Korean Security *or* Russian Security

WINTER QUARTER

Elective: Political Economy of Authoritarian States *or* US Military in the Asia-Pacific

Regional Elective: Chinese Politics *or* Contemporary US-Mexican Relations

SPRING QUARTER

Elective: Weapons of Mass Destruction *or* Innovation and National Security

or Drugs and Violence in Latin America

Capstone: Workshop on Policy Issues in the Pacific Rim

Note: Course schedules are published on a quarterly basis and are subject to change without notice. Some courses that can be applied to meet requirements may not be offered in a given academic quarter or academic year.

The degree fulfills many organizations' tuition assistance requirements for employees, including:

- » Navy's Graduate Education Voucher (GEV) program
- » Marine Corps' Tuition Assistance program
- » Coast Guard's Postgraduate and Advanced Education program
- » Post-9/11 GI Bill
- » Private and public employers' tuition benefits

Application materials must be submitted electronically and are reviewed monthly through May 31 for Fall matriculation. Visit gps.ucsd.edu/mas-ia for additional application information.