



International Political Economy and Diplomacy

The International College

IPED Careers

- Government Official
- · International Banker
- Teacher/ College Professor
- Political Analyst
- · Campaign Manager
- Lobbyist
- Legislative Assistant
- Judge
- Risk Analyst
- Public Relations Manager

Or explore possibilities in

- Corporate Organizations
- · Global Marketing
- International Public Service
- International Non-Government Organizations

In an era where there is a growing focus on economic diplomacy, the University of Bridgeport's B.A. in International Political Economy and Diplomacy fills a crucial niche. Because diplomatic negotiations form the basis of new international law, and because diplomacy operates within the framework of extant international law, the study of diplomacy is an important component in the study of international political economy.

International Political Economy and Diplomacy Overview

A Bachelor of Arts degree in International Political Economy & Diplomacy (IPED) provides students with a comprehensive understanding of the global political economy and with the analytical skills needed to evaluate change and direction. This program also provides insight how the international economic system produces and distributes wealth, as well as, how institutions and rules govern development.

Political economy represents a nexus between politics and economics, and international political economy includes the study of the area in which international politics and international economics meet. It represents an investigation of the political basis of economic action and the economic basis of political action. Students graduating from this program will therefore be prepared for graduate work at schools such as University of Oxford, Yale University, Columbia University, and the University of London.



About UB

The University of Bridgeport is an international, doctoral-intensive, comprehensive university, offering award-winning academic programs in a variety of innovative undergraduate and graduate degree programs. Our 50-acre, seaside campus overlooks Long Island Sound on Connecticut's corporate Gold Coast, and is within easy driving distance of New York City and Boston.

Our student-faculty ratio is 15:1, and our full- and part-time faculty members include Fulbright Scholars, National Science Foundation Fellows, Ford Fellows, National Endowment for the Humanities Fellows, American Council for Learned Societies Scholars and Phi Beta Kappa Scholars. Some 32 percent of our students are members of minorities and students from more than 80 countries live and learn within our community.

Program of Study

The International Political Economy & Diplomacy program requires 36 semester credit hours including 24 credit hours in the program core, 12 credit hours in a choice of additional program courses, and an additional 15 to 18 credit hours in a concentration (choice of Political Science, Asia-Pacific Studies, Peace and Development, The Americas, or Islam & the Middle East). This program will also require students to demonstrate a working knowledge of at least one world language besides English or complete through the 104 level in one of the following languages (Chinese, Korean, Japanese, French, or Spanish). Students are required to complete 120 credit hours to graduate. Internships can be arranged through the Office of the Dean of the International College.



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Program Core Courses for International Political Economy & Diplomacy

- Sosc 207 World Regional Geography
- Rel 101 Intro to World Religions
- Soc 231 Cultural Anthropology
- PS 103 Intro to Political Science and Research
 Methods
- Econ 201 Macro Economics
 Or

 IPED 201 Economics and Development
- Econ 202 Micro Economics
 Or
 IPED 202 Intro to Political Economy
- IPED 206 Pol. Economy of North/South Relations
- PS 312 Diplomacy and Foreign Policy

Possible Courses under Concentrations

- IPED 203 Political Economy of North America
- IPED 345 Political Economy of EU
- IPED 329 Political Economy of China
- IPED 330 Political Economy of East Asia
- IPED 340 Political Economy of Latin America