



International Master's Program
in International Studies

INTRODUCTION

International Master's Program in International Studies (IMPIS) at National Chengchi University (NCCU), established in August 2012, aims to bring a broad interdisciplinary focus to the understanding and study of contemporary international relations. It provides an intensive learning and application of knowledge of economy, business, politics, diplomacy, and international organizations in a world of globalization, with strong focus on international conflict management.

The diversity and passion of IMPIS students and faculty members will make the study in Taiwan more productive. Each year IMPIS receives 20 master degree students, and they come not only from Taiwan but also from all over the world. IMPIS is collaborating with various teaching and research units of NCCU to guarantee the quality of teaching and learning and the quantity of the courses to be offered. Those who plan to enter international affairs related professions or to continue doctoral studies in the related fields, as well as mid-career professionals, are encouraged to apply.

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PROGRAM REQUIREMENT

IMPIS requires completion of a minimum of **33 credits** and a MA thesis (project) for graduation. Students can normally complete all their courses in 2-4 years to fulfill all the program requirements. An academic advisor will be appointed to guide students throughout their study.

Course Plan

There are three parts to the curriculum:

- **Core courses**
- **Track required courses**
- **Elective courses**

Students in their every semester can take up to 12 credits and up to 15 credits in the following semesters. Regulations may change without advanced notice.

Core courses (12 credits)

Every IMPIS student must complete these courses. Thesis writing constitutes a necessary part of your graduation. Students should meet committee regularly. (IMPIS suggests that students register the course in the semester when students are going to meet all requirements for graduation.) The grade will be partly (1/2) awarded by the thesis advisor, and partly (1/2) according to the final grades of thesis defense.

| Course Titles | Credits |
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| International Relations Theory | 3 |
| International Political Economy | 3 |
| Quantitative Research Methods | 3 |
| M.A. Thesis Writing | 3 |

Track required courses (9 credits)

The courses are divided into TWO TRACKS: **International Development (ID)** and **International Conflict Management (ICM)**. Students are required to choose one of the two tracks and complete at least 9 credits from 3 required courses provided by the track chosen. Track selection should be in the very first semester; however, track transfer is allowed. Please inform the IMPIS office your track selection/transfer for the record.

| Tracks & Course Titles | | Credits |
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| International Development (ID) track | Poverty, Inequality & Development | 3 |
| | International Environment & Health | 3 |
| | Human Rights & Humanitarian Assistance & Nations | 3 |
| | Population, Migration & Development | 3 |
| | Science, Technology & Energy | 3 |
| International Conflict Management (ICM) track | Conflict Management | 3 |
| | Cross Cultural Communication & Negotiation | 3 |
| | Topics on International Security | 3 |
| | Strategic Communication & Cultural Diplomacy | 3 |

Elective courses (12 credits)

To help students better figure out the properties of many relevant graduate-level courses offered at NCCU, here is a list of possible elective courses. Not all these courses are offered by IMPIS; neither can they be seen as a substitute for the above track required courses.

****IF YOU CHOOSE EITHER ID OR ICM TRACK, THE COURSES IN ANOTHER TRACK CAN COUNT AS YOUR ELECTIVE COURSE CREDITS.***

| Elective Courses | Credits |
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| Seminar on International Development – Issues of Agriculture, Economics & Trade (IMPIS) | 3 |
| Democratization & Good Governance (IMPIS) | 3 |

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| Topic in International Cooperation - International NGOs & Development (IMPIS) | 3 |
| Gender, Development & Globalization (IMPIS) | 3 |
| Development & Culture (IMPIS) | 3 |
| Globalization & Transnationalism | 3 |
| Development Sociology | 3 |
| Resources & Environmental Economics (1) | 3 |
| International Environmental Politics | 3 |
| Technology and Human Society | 3 |
| Governance & Performance Study | 3 |
| Organizational Theory & Management | 3 |
| Global Leadership | 3 |
| Industry and Competition Analysis | 3 |
| Strategic Management | 3 |
| Seminar on Economic Diplomacy | 3 |
| International Economic Development & Policy | 3 |
| Culture & Development in Asia | 3 |
| Environmental Protection of the Asia Pacific Countries | 3 |
| Foreign Economic Policies and Relations of India | 3 |
| Political Economy of Regional Cooperation in South Asia | 3 |
| Seminar on International Trade Law | 2 |
| Political Economic Development in Latin America | 2 |
| Ethnic Conflicts & Terrorism | 3 |
| Seminar on Peace and Conflict Studies | 3 |
| Cases of the International Court of Justice | 3 |
| Topic on Ethnic Relations | 3 |
| Chinese Communists' Study on Theories of International Relations | 3 |
| Seminar on Russia's Foreign Policy | 3 |
| International Images & Global Communication | 3 |
| American Foreign Policy | 2 |
| Seminar on Japanese Diplomacy | 2 |
| Canadian Foreign Policy | 2 |
| Foreign Policies of the Middle East Countries | 2 |
| International Business Communication (1) | 1 |
| International Business Communication (2) | 1 |

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| Topics on International Organizations (IMPIS) | 1 |
| Seminar on International Organizations (IMPIS) | 2 |
| American Government & Politics | 3 |
| African Governments & Politics | 3 |
| Study of Central & East European Politics | 3 |
| Topics in the European Union | 3 |
| European Governance | 3 |
| Area Studies – International Relations of Northeast Asia (IMPIS) | 2 |
| Area Studies –Seminar in International Relations of Northeast Asia (IMPIS) | 1 |
| Area Studies – International Relations of Southeast Asia | 2 |
| Area Studies – International Relations of Middle East | 2 |
| Area Studies – International Relations in Russian & Eastern Europe | 2 |
| Area Studies – International Relations of West Europe | 2 |
| Area Studies – International Relations of Latin America | 2 |
| Debates of Globalization | 3 |
| Seminar in International Risk Analysis &Management | 3 |

Note:

- 1) Course list is subject to change. Please refer to <http://wa.nccu.edu.tw/QryTor/> for the latest course schedule.
- 2) Not all courses listed are now offered in English. You can check out their availability and language used in the academic year via the above link.

ADMISSIONS

Entry Requirement

- A. Bachelor's degree or equivalent from an accredited college or university.
- B. Work experience in fields relevant to development or conflict management is preferable and highly evaluated.

Application

- A. For Taiwanese students:

Further detail of application steps will be updated [here](#).

- B. For international students:

Please submit all the documents for assessment purposes to **OIC** (Office of International Cooperation) according to the timetable updated [here](#) (IE explore only).

Application with incomplete documents or submitted after the deadline will not be considered for admission.

Information about application steps can be found on [here](#).

- C. For ICDF scholarship applicants:

(Further information can be found in [Taiwan ICDF Website](#)),

Please hand in the required documents to both:

1. IMPIS Office

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2. The ROC (Taiwan) Embassy/ Consulate (General)/

Representative Office/ Taiwan Technical Mission or project
representative in your country.

| Check list of submission materials | | Note |
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| 1 | Completed NCCU application forms (Application checklist, address label, declaration etc.) | Generated by the online application system |
| 2 | Application fee receipt | Fee and payment information can be found in here . (ICDF Scholarship Applicants are also required for paying application fee of \$60usd or NTD\$1600 to NCCU.) |
| 3 | One photocopy of passport | A photocopy of the inner page of your passport that indicates nationality. |
| 4 | One photocopy of the diploma of the highest academic degree | One notarized copy of the translation in English or Chinese is necessary if the original diploma is not in English or in Chinese. |
| 5 | One original official transcript from the highest academic institution | |
| 6 | A most recent 3-month account balance certificate | At least NTD\$180,000 (or USD\$6,000) or more verified by a Republic of China embassy, Taiwan Overseas Representative Office or the equivalent agency in the applicant's country or place of residence. ICDF Scholarship Applicants may attach a copy of ICDF application form instead of account balance certificate. |
| 7 | 2 letters of recommendation | From 2 different referees. |
| 8 | English autobiography (Personal statement) | |

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| 9 | English Statement of Purpose (Research Objective) | |
| 10 | Required Language Qualifications | <p>For whose native language is not English, you are required to demonstrate English proficiency and are required to provide one of the official score reports valid 2 years from the test date either via:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - TOEFL (iBT minimum 88; CBT minimum 230) - IELTS (minimum 6.5) - TOEIC (minimum 850) - Or other evidence of English proficiency <p>Applicants who earned a Bachelor's or Master's degree from an institution where the language of instruction is English are exempt from submitting the proficiency score report (verification is required).</p> |
| 11 | One photocopy of scholarship application form | If you have accepted or are applying for any scholarship (Taiwan Scholarship, ICDF Scholarship, etc.) |
| 12 | Taiwan ICDF Medical Report | Applicants for IMPIS program under ICDF Scholarship are required to hand in ICDF Medical Report. |

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<http://impis.nccu.edu.tw>