

# **International Master's Program in International Studies**

College of International Affairs National Chengchi University Taipei, Taiwan, Republic of China

#### 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 a strong focus on **international development** and **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.

### **ADMISSION**

## **Entry Requirements**

- **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.

#### Note:

1. Application Deadline: March 31, 2013

2. International applicants can contact the overseas missions of Taiwan, Rep. of China, for Taiwan Scholarships. For TaiwanICDF scholarship applicants, all materials must be sent directly to NCCU's OIC (Office of International Cooperation):

Office of International Cooperation, National Chengchi University 64 Zhi-nan Road, Sec. 2, Taipei, Taiwan 11605, R.O.C.

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- 3. TaiwanICDF scholarship applicants are free of admission fee.
- 4. Application with incomplete documents or submitted after the deadline will not be considered for admission.

#### **COURSES**

IMPIS requires completion of a minimum of **33 credits** and **a MA thesis (project)** for graduation. The MA thesis (project) requirement may be removed from the IMPIS regulations in the fall semester of 2013. Please check IMPIS's website for more information.

There are 3 parts to the curriculum: (1) Core courses; (2) Track courses; (3) Elective courses. Students in their very semester can take up to 12 credits, and up to 15 credits in the following semesters. Regulations may change without advanced notice.

#### (1) Core courses (12 credits)

Every IMPIS student must complete these courses successfully before graduation.

Course Titles	Credits
International Political Economy	3
International Relations Theory	3
Quantitative Research Methods	3
Master Thesis Writing*	3

<sup>\*</sup> Internship of 3 credits may be going to replace Master Thesis Writing – to be determined.

#### (2) Track course (9 credits):

The courses are divided into two tracks: international development (ID) and international conflict management (ICM). Students are required to choose from one of the two tracks and complete at least 9 credits provided by the track chosen.

Tracks & Course Titles		Credits
International Development (ID) track	International Environment & Health	3
	Poverty, Inequality & Development	3
	Human Rights & Humanitarian Assistance	3

	Population, Migration & Development	3
	Science, Technology & Energy	3
International Conflict Management (ICM) track	Conflict Management	3
	Cross Cultural Communication & Negotiation	3
	Strategic Communication & Cultural Diplomacy	3
	Topics in International Security	3

# (3) Elective courses (12 credits)

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

<b>Elective Courses</b>		Credits
Suggested courses for International	Seminar on International Cooperation – Issues of Agriculture, Economics & Trade.	3 (IMPIS course)
Development (ID) track	Democratization & Good Governance	3 (IMPIS course)
	Topic in International Cooperation - International NGOs & Development	3 (IMPIS course)
	Gender, Development & Globalization	3 (IMPIS course)
	Debates on Globalization	3 (IMPIS course)
	Globalization & Transnationalism	3
	Development Sociology	3
	International Environmental Politics	3
	Technology and Human Society	3
	Ethnic Conflicts &Terrorism	3 (IMPIS course)
	Seminar on Peace and Conflict Studies	3
Suggested courses	Cases of the International Court of Justice	2
for International	Topic on Ethnic Relations	3
Conflict Management (ICM)	Seminar on International Security	2
Management (ICM) track	American Foreign Policy	2
	Chinese Communists' Study on Theories of International Relations	3
	Seminar on Russia's Foreign Policy	3

	Seminar on Japanese Diplomacy	2
Other suggested courses	Topics on International Organizations	1 (IMPIS course)
	Seminar on International Organizations	2 (IMPIS course)
	Topics in International Risk Management	3 (IMPIS course)
	Globalization and Global Governance	3 (IMPIS course)
	American Government & Politics	3
	African Governments & Politics	3
	Study of Central & East European Politics	3
	Topics in the European Union	3
	Area Studies –Seminar in International Relations of Northeast Asia	1 (IMPIS course)
	Area Studies – International Relations of Northeast Asia	2 (IMPIS course)

### Note:

- (1) Course list could be revised or changed without advance notice. Go to http://wa.nccu.edu.tw/QryTor/ for the latest course schedule.
- (2) Not all courses listed are now offered in English. Each year they can vary. You can check their availability and language used in the academic year of 2013-2014 via the above link.

#### **INTERNSHIPS**

Students will be assisted in applying for internships in related organizations such as Taiwan International Cooperation and Development Fund (TaiwanICDF), Taiwan Foundation for Democracy (TFD), and Taiwan External Trade Development Council (TAITRA).

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