



INTERNATIONAL STUDIES MA PROGRAM

2021-2022 Graduate Handbook

MA INTERNATIONAL STUDIES HANDBOOK

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ORIENTATION

Welcome Message from the Co-Chairs of the MA International Studies Program

Since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, we have seen again and again just how interconnected our world is, with the pandemic demonstrating both the vulnerabilities and strengths of globalization. And though COVID drew much of our attention over the past 18 months, other global issues, from hunger and displacement to climate crisis, have continued and even grown more acute. You have chosen an important moment for graduate study. UNBC's MA International Studies program is dedicated to helping you seize the opportunities and meet the challenges of a changing, interconnected, and ever-more-globalized world. Here is how we can help you, and why we are different than other Master's programs.

We are a small, friendly program at a small, friendly university. UNBC and the MA INTS program provide you with a welcoming atmosphere and an easygoing place to work and study. You will find it easy to chat with us, about school or about the wider workings of the world, and you will build strong relationships with your colleagues in the INTS graduate cohort. We hope that you will feel the warmth of our welcome !

Our program is run jointly by two departments, the Department of Global and International Studies and the Department of Economics. In addition to having access to the faculty of both departments, we also draw supervisors from other programs on campus such as History, Political Science, Anthropology, and Ecosystem Science and Management.

We are dedicated to interdisciplinarity. Today's international and global problems demand broad training, in multiple disciplines and from multiple perspectives. This is reflected in our focus on Global Development and Environment. Your coursework will incorporate this breadth.

As Co-Chairs of the MA International Studies program, we invite you to explore what we have to offer and to embrace the many opportunities for academic, professional, and personal growth that come with graduate study. If you have any questions, by all means, feel free to contact us.

Jacqueline Holler
Chair, Department of Global and
International Studies

Jalil Safaei
Chair, Department of Economics

Program. Faculty. Location. The MA in International Studies at UNBC.

The MA in International Studies at UNBC is focused on **Global Development and Environment**. Our program was revised in 2018 to reflect changing global issues and how they are analysed. Building on our more than 20 years of experience offering the INTS MA, the new program brings both sharper focus to the program and more choice for students.

Designed for students with broadly defined social science backgrounds, the program is structured so that coursework introduces key concepts, theoretical analysis, and practice in the themes of Global Development and Global Environment. In addition, students gain research expertise through the required course in Research Methods for Global Studies. Students may choose from a wide range of electives, and the program draws on courses from 11 different departments: an interdisciplinarian's dream. Many courses offer critical perspectives.

Analyzing Global Development as processes, the program allows students to choose from courses focusing on the Global South, on the High North, on Indigenous issues, and on global-local dynamics. The connections between development and environment are explored and addressed. The vibrant Global Fridays Speakers Series brings global issues and speakers regularly to your classroom.

All students are admitted into a coursework-based program allowing them to complete the program in two years. It is anticipated that most students will complete the coursework-based program. Depending on coursework performance and research topic, students can also apply during their studies to follow a traditional thesis-based program in which they have the opportunity to work in depth on a topic under the supervision of a faculty member. Alternatively, they may apply for the innovative major research paper-based program where students work with a faculty supervisor on a shorter piece.

Whichever option you take, you will be provided with the flexibility to pursue a program about which you are passionate that also provides you with the rigorous theoretical and methodological training required to be successful during your course of study and in your future workplace. International Studies is one of the most sought-after graduate degrees for individuals with professional interests in international and public policy, diplomacy, social science research, and non-governmental organizations. Our students have gone on to careers in the Canadian Foreign

Service, federal and provincial governments, child rights advocacy, international business relations, international environmental NGOs, climate change research institutes, academic institutions, and community development, to name a few.

The MA program is coordinated jointly by the Department of Global and International Studies and the Department of Economics and includes faculty from a number of other departments. These core *faculty*, available as potential supervisors, have research interests spanning Latin America, Africa, Asia and the Arctic and have conducted research in each of them as well as locally. They have research interests in areas such as globalization, critical/alternative development, health, environment, gender, feminism, extractivism, civil society, rural development, natural resources, human rights, Indigenous issues, business practices, and security studies. Our faculty have experience working for international organizations (such as the Asian Development Bank, the International Labour Organization, and the World Bank) and for NGOs (including founding one supporting rural development in Uganda). Faculty include teaching award winners (including national 3M level) and research award winners (including national level awards). They have been successful in obtaining grants from bodies such as the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada and the International Development Research Centre, which have included funding for graduate students.

As for *location*, UNBC is not like most Canadian universities. According to Statistics Canada, “in 2016, two out of three people (66%) lived within 100 kilometers of the southern Canada–United States border, an area that represents about 4% of Canada's territory” (The Daily, Feb 8, 2017). That is where most of Canada’s universities are also found. UNBC is not; it is found in a part of the 96%. Located in Prince George, British Columbia, it is a hilltop campus situated on the Traditional Territory of the Lheidli T'enneh, with a spectacular view of mountains far off to the east. Here you will discover a region that is beyond the experience of many Canadians: a region where Indigenous cultures are strong, where pristine wilderness confronts industrial resource development, where global influences and trade from rising Asia are re-shaping the economy, and where the impacts of climate change can be readily understood. UNBC is a unique and compelling location from which, and in which, to study **Global Development and Environment**. Don’t settle for the ordinary; go the extra kilometer to UNBC!

WHAT DO I NEED TO DO IN MY FIRST TWO WEEKS AS A GRADUATE STUDENT IN INTERNATIONAL STUDIES AT UNBC?

1. Select courses to be taken in the first year in consultation with Dr. Nathan Andrews, Graduate Advisor (Go to pages 21 & 22 to see the courses available). To set up a meeting with Dr. Andrews for your course selection, contact him via email (nathan.andrews@unbc.ca).
 - a. Complete Course [Registration Form](#).
Note: The graduate registration process has changed. Please review the information on the [Registration Guide](#) page before submitting the form. This form is submitted to the Office of the Registrar once completed.
 - b. Complete Graduate [Program Approval Form](#).
2. Submit Course Registration Form at the Registrar's Office (located beside the Library) and receive your Student Identification Card at the Cashier's Office (located in the Agora across from the Security Office). Payment of Fees will be required at this point!
3. Read carefully through the [2021/2022 Graduate Academic Calendar](#). The Graduate Calendar contains important information about graduate studies at UNBC, including all relevant policies and regulations.
4. Obtain an email account from the Computer Help Desk (located in the Lab Building, 8-265, Phone: (250) 960-5321, Email: support@unbc.ca). You require an official UNBC email account for all communications and for accessing e-learning technology in your courses.
5. Please find enclosed, on page 28 of the Handbook, information from the Graduate Student Society (GSS) on the location of the Graduate Lounge and other information they can provide you.
6. ***Attend chosen classes!***
7. Plan to attend the Annual Welcome Reception for incoming and continuing graduate students in the MA International Studies and MA Development Economics programs. Check your email for the invitation.
8. Mark down the Global Friday Speaker Series dates in your calendar (this will be happening virtually this year). Attending the Global Friday Speaker Series regularly is invaluable to your graduate student experience at UNBC and provides an opportunity to hear and meet leading scholars and practitioners in the field. For more information see: <http://www.unbc.ca/international-studies/global-friday>. It is also required for your program; since you must attend Global Fridays as part of the required colloquium course INTS 702-0.5.
9. Check out the Canadian Association for the Study of International Development (<http://www.casid-acedi.ca/membership>). If you are a first-year graduate student in the MA International Studies, the department will pay for your membership in this Association for the first year. If you would like to become a member of the Association, please see Selina Ross (selina.ross@unbc.ca)
10. Check out the Prince George chapter (<https://thecic.org/branches/prince-george/>) of the Canadian International Council (<https://thecic.org/about/>). All INTS MA students are entitled to free student memberships, sponsored by the department.

WORDS OF WISDOM

Faculty and graduate students have offered some words of advice to help new students through some of the difficulties often experienced during graduate studies. We hope this 20/20 hindsight will help you avoid some of the common pitfalls experienced by graduate students and sail through your studies here at UNBC.

- **MEET PEOPLE!** Get to know your fellow graduate students since they will be your most important resources during your course studies at UNBC and time in Prince George. This includes students who are ahead of you in the program – they are likely to be happy to answer your questions from everything about how to find an apartment and to navigate the academic resources on campus.
- **GET TO KNOW A LIBRARIAN!** Pay a visit to the university library and ask a librarian to show you around and learn about the resources available to you. We have some of the most knowledgeable and nicest librarians in the business – go meet them!
- **PREP FOR SUCCESS!** The Academic Success Centre <http://www.unbc.ca/academic-success-centre> has several handouts <http://www.unbc.ca/academic-success-centre/proposal-and-thesis-writing-tools> and resources for thesis writing and research. It is in your best interest to peruse these materials as they contain important information that will help you through many academic challenges.
- **EXPLORE NATURE!** Take the time to explore the fantastic natural areas around Prince George such as Forests for the World (on campus!) or the Ancient Forest a short drive nearby. There is a multitude of hiking trails to enjoy all summer long. In addition, world-famous tourist destination Jasper National Park is only 4 hours away by car for more hiking and camping. A good place to find out about all this is to check out the student-run Outdoors Club (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/UNBCOutdoorsClub/>) or the community-based Caledonia Ramblers (<https://caledoniamblers.ca>).
- **GET OUTSIDE!** If you are not accustomed to the long Canadian winter, the best way to enjoy it and avoid ‘cabin fever’ is to learn to play in the snow. For instance, try snowshoeing around the university hill; learn to cross-country ski at Otway Nordic Ski Centre; downhill ski or snowboard at Tabor Mountain, Purden Ski Village, or Powder King; ice skate at the Ice Oval by the bottom of the university hill; take up curling; or even fish on a frozen lake. This is the best way to get sunshine; in addition, exercise and fresh air clear your mind and offer an exciting escape from your reading and papers! Getting active outside is also a great way to meet people in the community.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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MA
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MA INTS Program Requirements

UNBC's innovative and interdisciplinary Master's degree in International Studies focuses on two of the most pressing and interlinked issues of our time: Global Development and Environment. The program draws on courses from 11 different graduate programs and is managed jointly by the Department of Economics and the Department of Global and International Studies.

Broadly understood as processes that affect people(s), regions and/or countries in the Global South and northern areas including the Arctic, global development is examined from multiple perspectives. These perspectives include those of international agencies and civil society organizations. Both mainstream and critical approaches to development studies are examined. The challenges facing the global environment and potential solutions are analysed. Interactions between global development and the environment and between local and global scales are examined.

Financial assistance in the form of teaching assistantships is available to some full-time students, in accordance with University regulations.

Requirements

All students are normally admitted into a course-based program. Students wishing to transfer to a thesis- or a research paper-based program may apply to do so after completing 12 credit hours and in accordance with program rules.

Students are required to take courses which satisfy requirements in (i) global development; (ii) research methods; (iii) global environment; and (v) two elective courses. Courses may be taken in any order.

Stage 1. Foundational Coursework Program (16 credit hours)

A. Required Courses

Global Development: Theory and Institutions

One of:

<u>ECON 601-3</u>	Global Economy and Development
<u>ECON 604-3</u>	Poverty, Inequality and Development
<u>INTS 620-3</u>	International Regimes
<u>POLS 615-3</u>	Comparative Northern Development

Global Environment: Policies and Practices

<u>ANTH 613-3</u>	Environmental Anthropology
<u>ECON 625-3</u>	Trade and the Environment
<u>HIST 704-3</u>	Themes in Environmental History
<u>INTS 621-3</u>	Political Economy of Natural Resource Extraction
<u>INTS 670-3</u>	International Environmental Policy
<u>NRES 703-3</u>	Integrated Resource Management

Research Methods

<u>INTS 700-3</u>	Research Methods in Global Studies
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Colloquia

<u>INTS 702.05</u>	Graduate Colloquia*
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*All students must complete Graduate Colloquia INTS 702.05 *twice* during their program of study.

B. Electives:

Two of:

<u>ANTH 601-3</u>	Anthropological Perspectives on Inequality
<u>ANTH 604-3</u>	Comparative Study of Indigenous Peoples in the World
<u>ECON 610-3</u>	Health Economics
<u>ECON 611-3</u>	Cost-Benefit Analysis
<u>ENVS 602-3</u>	Environmental and Natural Resources Issues and Ethics
<u>FNST 606-3</u>	Indigenous Issues in International Perspective
<u>FNST 607-3</u>	Indigenous Perspectives on Race, Class, Gender and Power
<u>FNST 613-3</u>	Themes in Aboriginal Women's Studies
<u>GEOG 603-3</u>	First Nations and Indigenous Geographies
<u>GEOG 626-3</u>	Geographies of Culture, Rights and Power
<u>GNDR 611-3</u>	Contemporary Feminist Theories

<u>GNDR 613-3</u>	Themes in Aboriginal Women's Studies
<u>HIST 702-3</u>	Themes in Indigenous History
<u>ORTM 603-3</u>	International Dimensions of Recreation and Tourism
<u>POLS 613-3</u>	Democracy and Diversity

Additional courses from the Global Development and Global Environment options can also be selected as electives.

Stage 2. Program Completion (9 - 12 credit hours)

After completing Stage 1, The Foundational Coursework Program, students then complete one of the following:

- i) **a course-based program** requiring 9 credit hours of further graduate coursework. Students in the course-based program must complete at least 6 credit hours of coursework from the Global Development options, 6 credit hours from the Global Environment options, and have courses from at least three different subject areas.

- ii) **a research paper-based program** requiring 6 credit hours of further graduate coursework from all courses listed above (at least 3 credit hours of which must be from the Global Development or Global Environment options) and a 3 credit hour Research Paper (**INTS 797-3**). Students must apply to the Graduate Advisor for transfer into the research-paper program after completing Stage 1 Foundational Coursework. Transfer will be approved by the Chair on the basis of academic achievement in coursework and the availability of a supervisor for the Research Paper

- iii) *a thesis-based program* requiring a 12 credit hour thesis (**INTS 799-12**). Students must apply to the Graduate Advisor for transfer into the thesis program after completing Stage 1 Foundational Coursework. Transfer will be granted on the basis of academic excellence in coursework and the availability of a supervisor for the thesis.

NOTE: All course selections (and course substitutions) require Chair approval.

INTS 702-.5
Graduate Colloquia
Dr. Jacqueline Holler
UNBC, FALL 2021

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Global studies is a holistic, broad, and multidisciplinary/interdisciplinary field that is emerging as one of the most dynamic (inter)disciplines in academia. GS comprises study of political, economic, environmental, biological, cultural, and social phenomena using a variety of methods and approaches. INTS 702 is designed to introduce you to different research questions, methods, and fields within global studies. Engaging with research presentations organized by the Global Fridays committee, you will increase your awareness of the field and your knowledge of research themes and methods.

This course is graded on a pass/fail basis. Students in the MA INTS program are required to enrol in and pass the course *twice* during their programs of study to complete their degree requirements.

REQUIREMENTS

At the end of the semester, students must submit a dossier comprising **SIX (6) seminar reports**. Each of these reports must be 700 words long (approximately two double-spaced pages). Though the reports are not due at the end of the semester, I urge you not to wait until the end of term to complete them. Instead, try to complete them as you attend or watch the presentations throughout the semester.

At least FOUR (4) of these reports must be drawn from the seminars scheduled for fall 2021. Please see <https://www.unbc.ca/global-international-studies/global-friday-speakers-series> for the fall 2021 schedule, which will be available in September. (I will also post the schedule on Blackboard when it is available.) Seminars are normally held on Fridays from 1200 to 1300 (Pacific), but webcasts are made available on the Global Fridays website after each presentation.

To meet the requirement of 6 reports, you may submit up to TWO (2) reports based on the archives of past presentations. Please browse the available presentations at [Global Friday Webcasts](#) and select presentations that most interest you.

There is no need to do external research for the reports, but you are welcome to include external information that you find useful. However, the focus of these reports should be on a close description and analysis of the sessions themselves. Therefore, each report must include two sections: (A) Description and (B) Analysis.

Section A should be about 350 words and should include:

- the seminar's title and date
- the name of the presenter
- the presenter's institutional and departmental affiliation (e.g., "Department of Earth System Science, Stanford University, USA)
- field(s) of study (for example, environmental science or sociology)
- research question that the seminar addresses
- research methods/nature of data used for research
- results/findings/argument (as applicable)

Section B should be about 350 words in length and should include your analysis of the presentation. Try to answer at least three of these questions:

- what is the significance of the topic? That is, is it important? To whom and why?
- what is the significance of the findings? That is, what effect might they have on scholarly understanding of the topic, on policy, etc.?
- what is the scale of the presentation? Global processes occur at local, regional, national, and international levels. On which did the presentation focus?
- how does the presentation relate to themes, ideas, arguments, and data discussed in your classes this term?
- how does the presentation alter or add to your understanding of globalization and global studies more generally?

To pass INTS 702, you must hand in all six (6) reports by 430 PM on Friday 10 December 2021 and meet the minimum standards stated above.

Please feel free to reach out to me throughout the semester with any questions or concerns, and welcome to your MA program! 😊

Courses Offered 2021/2022 Academic Year

FALL 2021 CLASS SCHEDULE					
INSTRUCTOR	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Nathan Andrews		INTS 621 CRN: 50409 <i>The Political Economy of Natural Resource Extraction</i> 2:30-5:20pm 8-160		INTS 700 CRN: 50410 <i>Research Methods in Global Studies</i> 2:30-5:20pm 8-161	
Karima Fredj		ECON 625 CRN: 50198 <i>Trade and the Environment</i> 11:30am-12:50pm 10-4044		ECON 625 CRN: 50198 <i>Trade and the Environment</i> 11:30am-12:50pm 10-4044	
Jacqueline Holler					INTS 702 CRN: 50411 <i>Graduate Colloquia</i> 12:00-1:20pm 10-4034
Fiona MacPhail	ECON 604 CRN: 50197 <i>Poverty, Inequality & Development</i> 2:30-3:50pm 8-160		ECON 604 CRN: 50197 <i>Poverty, Inequality & Development</i> 2:30-3:50pm 8-160		
ONLINE COURSES					
ECON 601/INTS 607 CRN: 50196/50408 <i>Global Economy & Development</i> Paul Bowles					

WINTER 2022 CLASS SCHEDULE					
INSTRUCTOR	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Nathan Andrews			INTS 620 CRN: 10447 <i>International Regimes</i> 2:30-5:20pm 8-160		
Annie Booth	ENVS 602 CRN: 10325 <i>Environmental & Natural Resource Issue</i> 8:30-9:50am 7-152				ENVS 602 CRN: 10325 <i>Environmental & Natural Resource Issue</i> 8:30-9:50am 7-152
Jacqueline Holler					INTS 702 CRN: 10450 <i>Graduate Colloquia</i> 12:00 – 1:20pm 5-176
Douglas Jarvis		INTS 698 CRN: 10449 <i>Drug Culture, Public Regulation & the State</i> 11:30am – 12:50pm 5-178		INTS 698 CRN: 10449 <i>Drug Culture, Public Regulation & the State</i> 11:30am – 12:50pm 5-178	

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Tara Joly			ANTH 613 CRN: 10011 <i>Environmental Anthropology</i> 1:00-2:20pm 5-174		ANTH 613 CRN: 10011 <i>Environmental Anthropology</i> 1:00-2:20pm 5-174
Michael Murphy			POLS 613 CRN: 10578 <i>Democracy & Diversity</i> 11:30am – 2:20pm 10-4044		
Tristan Pearce	INTS 625 CRN: 10448 <i>Sustainability Problem Solving</i> 8:30 – 11:20am 5-140D				
TBA		GEOG 626 CRN: 10373 <i>Geographies of Culture, Rights & Power</i> 8:30-9:50am 8-160 GNDR 611 CRN: 10378 <i>Contemporary Feminist Theories</i> 2:30-5:20pm 8-161		GEOG 626 CRN: 10373 <i>Geographies of Culture, Rights & Power</i> 8:30-9:50am 8-160	

* *Course descriptions can be found in the online [Graduate Calendar](#).*

* *Please see the [UNBC online Course Schedule](#) for graduate courses offered by other departments.*

MA INTERNATIONAL STUDIES PROGRAM RULES*

* Note: This document does not supersede the rules and regulations set out in the official UNBC Graduate Calendar.

The Calendar states that:

“All students are normally admitted into a course-based program. Students wishing to transfer to a thesis or a research paper-based program may apply to do so after completing 12 credit hours and in accordance with program rules.”

The Program Rules for Transfer apply to the thesis and research-paper options.

All students applying for a Transfer must have a minimum average grade of A- in their first 12 credits of coursework.

In addition, students applying for the thesis option must include:

- i) A letter of support from a supervisor (faculty eligible to serve as supervisors in the program are listed below);
- ii) A thesis proposal of at least 10 pages in length and a bibliography of at least 3 pages.

Students applying for the major research paper option must include:

- i) A letter of support from a supervisor (faculty eligible to serve as supervisors in the program are listed below);
- ii) A description of the type of research output expected (e.g., policy note, encyclopedia entry, newspaper article) together with potential targeted publication(s);
- iii) A paper proposal of at least 3 pages in length and a bibliography of at least 1 page.

Applications are made to the Chair and can be made at any time after the completion of 12 credit hours of coursework.

Eligible supervisors:

Nathan Andrews, Assistant Professor, Global and International Studies
Paul Bowles, Professor, Economics and Global and International Studies
Karima Fredj, Associate Professor, Economics
Leandro Freylejer, Assistant Professor, Economics
Jacqueline Holler, Associate Professor, History
Liam Kelly, Assistant Professor, Economics
Fiona MacPhail, Professor, Economics
Chris Opio, Professor, Ecosystem Science and Management
Agnieszka (Agnes) Pawlowska-Mainville, Associate Professor, First Nations Studies
Tristan Pearce, Associate Professor, Global & International Studies
Jalil Safaei Boroogeny, Professor, Economics

Angèle Smith, Associate Professor, Anthropology
Heather Smith, Professor, Global and International Studies
Gary Wilson, Professor, Political Science

Students admitted into the thesis option will be directed by a Supervisory Committee, will make a public presentation of their proposal once it has been approved by the Committee, and will have an oral defence of the thesis in accordance with Office of Graduate Programs regulations.

UNBC RESOURCES

NORTHERN BRITISH COLUMBIA GRADUATE STUDENTS' SOCIETY (NBCGSS)



NBCGSS Services

Download the NBCGSS Mobile app here:

[NBCGSS Mobile App on Google Play](#)

[NBCGSS Mobile App on iTunes](#)

Helpful Links

[Access Resource Centre](#)

[Academic Success Centre](#)

[Alumni](#)

[Career Centre](#)

[Centre for Teaching, Learning and Technology \(CTLT\)](#)

[Childcare Centre](#)

[First Nation Centre](#)

[Northern Women's Centre](#)

[Office of Graduate Administration](#)

[UNBC Medical Clinic](#)

NORTHERN UNIVERSITY STUDENT CENTRE

[Degrees Coffee Company](#)

Thirsty Moose Pub

CFUR Radio Station

Northern Pride Centre

Northern Undergraduate Student Society (NUGSS)

Over The Edge Newspaper

Prince George Public Interest Research Group (PGPIRG)

STUDENT COMPUTER LABS

Student [Computer Lab](#) Locations:

- 7-105 General Purpose - First Nations Centre
- 8-127 Teaching Only
- 8-129 Teaching Only
- 8-362 General Purpose and Teaching **** (open 24 hrs 7 days a week) ****
- 8-364 General Purpose and Teaching
- 8-365 General Purpose and Teaching
- 10-3034 General Purpose and Teaching

Lab Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00 am to 9:00 pm **

For more information on Student Lab configurations please choose a lab

If you have inquires, comments, or concerns please visit the [IT Service Desk](#)

SERVICE DESK

The Computer Helpdesk is here to assist faculty, staff and students with all of their computing needs. If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, we are always happy to assist in any way we can.

[IT Services for Students](#)

Location:

Second floor of the Teaching Lab, room (8-265).

Service Desk Hours:

Spring & Summer

Monday - Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm

*****Closed Saturday & Sunday*****

Fall & Winter

Monday - Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm

Monday - Friday 4:30 pm to 9:00 pm

*****Student Assistance only*****

Weekends 11:00 am to 4:00 pm

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**ALL GRADUATE
FORMS CAN BE
FOUND AT:**

**[http://www.unbc.ca/
graduatestudies](http://www.unbc.ca/graduatestudies)**

**please refer to this
site for ALL graduate
information**

OTHER RESOURCES AND INFORMATION

FINANCIAL AWARDS AND ASSISTANCE

Funding your graduate education can be a challenge. Make sure you invest time in finding out what funding opportunities are available to you from UNBC and other external sources. Below is a list of some places to start. Do not leave this for the last minute, and make note of upcoming deadlines (many are in the fall and spring). Apply early and often!

If you have questions about applying for UNBC Awards and Financial Aid, contact awards@unbc.ca or 250-960-6319.

If you have questions about tips for applying for external scholarships, make an appointment to speak with Dr. Nathan Andrews, Graduate Advisor.

UNBC Teaching Assistantships

There are a small number of UNBC TAships available in International Studies. Graduate students in INTS are also eligible for TAships in other departments for which they are qualified. Available positions are posted on the Human Resources Career Opportunities webpage.

Visit: <https://www.unbc.ca/career-opportunities/current-graduate-teaching-assistantship-postings>

Research Assistantships

Research Assistantships become available when INTS MA faculty members secure external research grants. Students are normally approached by faculty holding grants to work as research assistants.

UNBC Awards and Financial Aid

Check out the Office of Graduate Programs webpage (<http://www.unbc.ca/financial-aid>) for information about potential university and outside funding for your studies. Don't forget to also check out the Office of Graduate Programs' on-line Scholarship, Bursary and Award Guide at <https://www.unbc.ca/graduate-programs/awards/awards-and-scholarships-introduction>.

UNBC offers internal grants to graduate students for research and conference expenses: a valuable resource if you are conducting field research or presenting a paper. See <https://www.unbc.ca/research/internal-funding-opportunities> for more information.

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council Scholarships

The Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) of Canada offers graduate scholarships for Canadian students.

Visit: <http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/> and click on "Search for Funding".

Funding for International Students

If you are an international student, the Government of Canada has a limited number of scholarships available for non-Canadian students. <http://www.scholarships-bourses.gc.ca/scholarships-bourses/index.aspx?lang=eng>

Funding related to Global Environmental Policy

If you are considering a topic related to climate change, visit the fellowships section of the Pacific Institute for Climate Solutions (PICS). INTS MA students have been awarded these highly competitive fellowships in recent years.

Visit: <http://pics.uvic.ca/fellowships/graduate>

Funding related to International Development

The International Development Research Centre (IDRC) has several scholarships for Masters students to support field research.

Visit: <https://www.idrc.ca/en>

Funding related to Regional Studies

The Regional Studies Association (RSA) offers conference travel awards for students.

Visit: <https://www.regionalstudies.org/>

INTERNSHIPS

Internships (paid or unpaid) are a great way to put your research into practice during or after your MA studies. It is ever more common for internships to be a platform for launching a future career. Below are some Canadian and international programs relevant for students with an International Studies background.

United Nations (UN) Internship Programme

The UN provides opportunities for students enrolled in a graduate programme to undertake an internship at its Headquarters in New York, Geneva, Vienna, Nairobi, Addis Ababa, Bangkok, Beirut and Santiago.

Visit: <http://www.un.org/>

World Bank Internship Program

This paid internship seeks candidates in economics, finance, human development (public health, education, nutrition, and population), social science (anthropology, sociology), agriculture, environment, private sector development, as well as other related fields. Fluency in English is required.

Visit: <https://www.worldbank.org/en/about/careers/programs-and-internships/internship>

Asian Development Bank (ADB) Internship Program

The Internship Program is a project-oriented learning opportunity for graduate students to gain experience through research assignments based on ADB's current operational needs. ADB advertises internship assignments three times per year and welcomes motivated, open-minded, and self-directed individuals to apply.

Visit: <https://www.adb.org/site/careers/internship-program>

Oxfam Internships and Volunteering

Oxfam is one of the largest international non-governmental organizations in the world with offices in dozens of countries.

Visit: <http://oxf.am/Jiv>

Human Rights Watch (HRW) Internships

Human Rights Watch offers internship opportunities in many of their global offices. Internship descriptions vary but may include desk research, drafting documents, assisting with event planning, helping researchers prepare for missions, monitoring human rights developments in various countries, data analysis, liaising with current and prospective donors, and engaging in

advocacy efforts aimed at curtailing human rights violations.

Visit: <http://www.hrw.org/about/volunteering>

EMPLOYMENT

Below are some websites that are helpful for employment in the public and non-profit sectors once you have completed your studies.

International Development Jobs and Consulting Opportunities

Charity Village is the top Canadian source for Canada non-profit news, non-profit jobs, non-profit funding, non-profit training and more.

Visit: <http://charityvillage.com/>

DevNetJobs - This website contains hundreds of international development jobs around the world.

Visit: <http://www.devnetjobs.org/>

Development/Environment Jobs - This is a development and environmental policy jobs listings site run by the Guardian newspaper in the UK.

Visit: <http://www.devnetjobs.org/>

Policy Jobs in Canada/Abroad

Canadian Foreign/Diplomatic Service:

Careers in Global Affairs Canada are global in scale, offering you a wealth of international perspectives that increase your professional skills and expand your cultural perceptions.

Visit: <https://www.international.gc.ca/gac-amc/careers-carrieres/index.aspx?lang=eng>

Federal Government Jobs- Website with links to jobs in the Canadian government and working in Canada.

Visit: <http://www.jobbank.gc.ca/>

United Nations

Career opportunities with the *United Nations* and related links.

Visit: <https://careers.un.org/lbw/Home.aspx>

CONSIDERING FURTHER GRADUATE STUDIES?

Many of our graduates have gone onto further graduate studies. If you are seriously considering pursuing further graduate studies, speak to the INTS MA Graduate Advisor about applying to other masters and doctoral programs in Canada and abroad.

CANADIAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE STUDY OF INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The Canadian Association for the Study of International Development (CASID) is the main national association relating to international development. CASID's mandate is to promote new

knowledge in the field of international development. CASID promotes networking among students, academics, researchers, policy-makers and practitioners, and the dissemination of knowledge. In addition to its annual conference, CASID sponsors workshops across the country. Last year, UNBC's International Development Society obtained funding from CASID and held a workshop on the Millennium Development Goals. CASID runs a listserv which includes discussion of development issues as well as job announcements. CASID membership also includes subscription to the Canadian Journal of Development Studies.

If you would like to become a member of CASID, the program will pay for your membership for the first year. Please download the form from www.casid-acedi.ca, complete it, and give it to Dr. Nathan Andrews.