



# Columbia SIPA Graduate Degrees

SIPA's degree programs have rigorous but flexible curricula designed to prepare you for professional success at public, private, and nonprofit organizations in varied fields.

## Master of International Affairs (MIA)

Full-Time, 21 Months

The MIA, which includes selected STEM-designated pathways, prepares students to become experts who will be able to address the major challenges of international politics and economics.

### Application deadlines:

**October 15 (Spring); February 5 (Fall)**

## Master of Public Administration (MPA)

Full-Time, 21 Months

The MPA, which includes selected STEM-designated pathways, emphasizes a comparative approach to domestic politics and institutions and prepares students to manage and lead organizations around the world.

### Application deadlines:

**October 15 (Spring); February 5 (Fall)**

## Master of Public Administration in Development Practice (MPA-DP)

Full-Time, 21 Months

The MPA-DP, a STEM-designated degree program, trains current and aspiring development practitioners to design, implement, and manage results-oriented, integrated approaches to sustainable development.

### Application deadline:

**February 5**

## Master of Public Administration in Economic Policy Management (MPA-EPM)

Full-Time, 12 Months

The MPA-EPM, a STEM-designated degree program, provides policymakers and professionals with the skills to design and implement economic policy in market economies, with a strong emphasis on the economic problems of developing countries.

### Application deadline:

**February 5**

## Master of Public Administration in Environmental Science and Policy (MPA-ESP)

Full-Time, 12 Months

The MPA-ESP, a STEM-designated degree program, trains public managers and policymakers to apply innovative, systems-based thinking to environmental, social, and economic aspects of sustainability.

### Application deadline:

**February 15**

## MPA In Global Leadership (MPA-GL)

Full-Time, 10 Months

The MPA-GL is a 10-month, full-time program for mid-career professionals who seek the skills to keep growing in their careers, enhance their leadership capacity, and create greater impact.

### Application deadline:

**February 15**

## Executive Master of Public Administration (EMPA)

Part-Time, 2-3 Years

The EMPA helps mid-career professionals accelerate their careers in public, nonprofit, and private sectors with part-time study.

### Application deadlines:

**December 15 (Spring); June 1 (Fall)**

## PhD in Sustainable Development

Full-Time, 5 Years

A set of rigorous core requirements in the social and natural sciences provides a deep understanding of the most challenging problems of future human welfare, and enables students to undertake serious research and policy assessments with the goal of sustainable development.

### Application deadline:

**December 16**



**For more information about fellowship consideration, early action deadlines, and programs, scan the QR code.**



# Admissions

## Application documents

All materials must be submitted in English through the online application portal at [apply.sipa.columbia.edu/apply](https://apply.sipa.columbia.edu/apply).

<b>Essay Questions</b>	<b>GRE/GMAT Test Scores (Optional)</b>
<b>Video Essay</b>	GRE school code: 2161 (no department code)
<b>Professional Resume/CV</b>	GMAT school code: QF8-64-56 for MIA or QF8-64-99 for all MPA programs
<b>Quantitative and Language Resume</b>	<b>TOEFL/IELTS (If Applicable)</b>
<b>Letters of Recommendation (2)</b>	Required if your native language is not English or if your undergraduate degree was not taught in English.
<b>Academic Transcripts</b>	<b>Optional Fellowship Essays</b>
<b>Application Fee: \$95 USD (non-refundable)</b>	

## What does SIPA look for in an applicant?

**Relevant professional experience**  
Most successful applicants have had at least three years of work or internship experience relevant to their intended course of study.

**Proven academic ability**  
While no particular undergraduate major is required, strong GPA, test scores, academic references, and extracurriculars will bolster your application.

**Quantitative coursework**  
The core curriculum includes economics, statistics, and financial management, and we look for evidence of ability to undertake quantitative coursework at the graduate level.

**Passion for public policy and international affairs**  
SIPA seeks candidates who are passionate about making a difference and helping shape global policy and international affairs to solve global challenges.

## COLUMBIA SIPA AT A GLANCE



**24k+**  
ALUMNI



**50+**  
NATIVE LANGUAGES SPOKEN



**92%**  
POST GRADUATION EMPLOYMENT



**160**  
COUNTRIES REPRESENTED

## QUESTIONS?

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