
International Dual Degree Programs at SIPA –

— *An Overview* —

Dual Degree Partner Schools

SIPA holds active dual degree or exchange partnerships with seven schools across seven countries and four continents.

- **Hertie School** - Master of Public Policy or Master of International Affairs
- **London: London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE)** - Master of Public Administration
- **Fundação Getulio Vargas (FGV)** International Management or Management and Public Policy (English); MPA (Portuguese only)
- **Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy (LKYSPP) at the National University of Singapore** - Master of Public Policy (Singapore)
- **Graduate School of Public Policy (GraSPP), University of Tokyo** - Master of Public Policy
- **Exchange Program with American University** – 1 semester exchange

The Process – Internal Application

1. SIPA students complete an abridged SIPA application for the partner school.
 - SIPA students can apply to a maximum of two programs.
 - SIPA students can apply for any degree program offered under the dual degree by the partner school regardless of degree program at SIPA.
2. The partner schools review applications and make all final admissions decisions.
3. If a student is admitted and they meet all eligibility criteria they will spend their second year at the partner school and must complete the partner school's curriculum.

Eligibility Criteria

SIPA students must meet certain criteria in order to participate in the dual degree program.

- First-year student in the traditional two year Master of International Affairs or Master of Public Administration programs. The program is not open to SIPA students enrolled in other degree programs.
- Enrolled full-time in all semesters.
- Preferred Fall semester matriculation at SIPA
- In good academic standing with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 by the end of the Spring semester of your first year at SIPA.
- Complete all core requirements with the exception of capstone and internship by the end of the Spring semester.
- Complete a full academic year (Fall and Spring semester).
- Complete a minimum of 30 credits at SIPA by the end of the Spring semester.

The SIPA MIA/MPA Core Curriculum

- Conceptual Foundations of International Politics (MIA only)
- Politics of Policymaking (MPA only)
- Microeconomics or Microeconomic Analysis (SIPA U6300/6400)
- Macroeconomics or Macroeconomic Analysis (SIPA U6301/6301)
- Quantitative Analysis (SIPA U6500)
- Financial Management/ Management –(both required for MPA, one of the two required for MIA)
- Interstate Relations (MIA only)
- Foreign Language – Intermediate (B2 level) – required for MIA only
- Professional Development
- Internship

Exchange Program – American University Cairo (AUC)

- The only active exchange program currently at SIPA.
- Students apply directly to AUC.
- If admitted students spend the semester at the AUC campus.
- Tuition for exchange programs is paid to the student's home school.
- Course credits are transferable for subjects applicable to the SIPA degree.

General Tidbits

- In dual degree programs tuition is paid to the school in which the student is matriculated (this is not applicable to the exchange program model)
- An average of 10-15 SIPA students opt to spend their second year abroad under the auspices of the dual degree program.
- In general, we have received positive feedback from students regarding the programs in terms of academics, career options and value for money.

QUESTIONS?

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