The Master’s in International Security is a one-year, interdisciplinary programme that aims to educate future professionals in the area of security and peace studies. It provides students with a comprehensive set of analytical skills and robust training in research methods to help them understand the complex security challenges of the 21st century and the role of state and non-state actors in global and local conflict dynamics.

This advanced full-time programme, taught in English, is tailored for students considering a high-level career in government, international institutions, non-governmental organisations, and the private sector, as well as those interested in pursuing an academic career.
MASTER’S IN INTERNATIONAL SECURITY

The Master’s degree is fully accredited and has obtained recognition of its excellence. The degree is jointly awarded by three renowned Barcelona universities: the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, the Universitat de Barcelona, and the Universitat Pompeu Fabra.

The Master’s syllabus offers an innovative structure, totalling 60 ECTS credits. It combines a number of core subjects providing students with a solid background in theory and research methods and a wide range of electives reflecting the students’ diverse interests. The Master’s in International Security programme includes three different types of courses and a final research project:

▶ International Security elective courses covering both traditional and non-traditional security issues: A minimum of 8 ECTS and a maximum of 28 ECTS.
▶ Other electives: Up to 20 ECTS in lieu of International Security elective courses.
▶ Final Research Project (10 ECTS).

IBEI

The INSTITUT BARCELONA D’ESTUDIS INTERNACIONALS (IBEI) was established in 2004 as a postgraduate research and teaching institute. The Institute is an associate member of APSIA, the Association of Professional Schools of International Affairs. IBEI is a centre of academic excellence specialising in the field of international studies. It combines outstanding research with high-quality teaching and student-oriented services.

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Studying at IBEI gives you the opportunity to experience life in one of the most vibrant and cosmopolitan cities in Southern Europe. Its Mediterranean climate, with mild winters and warm summers, allows you to make the most of the unique cultural and historical identity found in its architecture, art, language and cuisine. Barcelona’s comparatively low cost of living is combined with a stimulating academic environment to offer an exceptional educational experience. The city boasts an internationally renowned academic community consisting of eight universities and a network of research centres and scientific parks that provide a thriving environment for study and research.

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▶ Join an advanced Master’s degree taught in English which combines theory and practice and provides students with both academic rigour and policy relevance.
▶ Receive individualized attention from our highly qualified international faculty thanks to the low student-staff ratio.
▶ Specialize in areas such as peace processes and conflict resolution, foreign policy, defence and intelligence studies, terrorism, humanitarian action, and regional security.
▶ Be part of IBEI’s diverse student community coming from over 40 countries all over the world.
▶ Select from over 60 electives on different geographic areas and substantive topics.

ADMISSIONS

Applicants are required to have completed an undergraduate degree (or its international equivalent) in the social sciences from an accredited institution of higher education. All students must be proficient in English. Admissions decisions are made on a rolling basis and all applications must be submitted by 1 July 2022.

TUITION & SCHOLARSHIPS

The tuition fee for the Master’s in International Security is €11,400 (60 ECTS). IBEI offers merit-based scholarships that partially waive tuition fees, as well as a number of grants sponsored by supporting institutions.

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