## Master Programmes

Drawn from over 40 nationalities, graduate students find the enriching multilingual and culturally diverse environment they encounter at IBEI rewarding. Another strength of IBEI’s lies in its intimate size: a community of just over 200 students, in which there is a real possibility to forge lasting friendships and professional contacts. A low student-faculty ratio allows for small classes and seminar-style teaching, facilitating discussion and individualized student-faculty interaction. At the same time, the large number of elective courses allows students to tailor their degree programme to their specific academic and professional interests, including the possibility of internships in private and public institutions. Students also have the opportunity to apply for an exchange semester abroad, benefiting from the large number of partnerships IBEI has established. Alumni testimonies reveal that they greatly value IBEI’s theoretical and methodological pluralism as preparation for their future careers. Over the years, graduates of IBEI have gone on to work for international organizations, NGOs, multinationals, foreign ministries, embassies around the world, and completed PhD programmes in prestigious universities.

### Master’s in International Relations (60 ECTS)

The Master’s in International Relations is IBEI’s longest established programme, as well as the largest, attracting a diverse range of students, from recent graduates to professionals seeking a career change. It is taught either bilingually (Spanish/English) or exclusively in English, and can be studied over one or two years.

### Master’s in International Security (60 ECTS)

The Master’s in International Security is an interdisciplinary programme tailored for future professionals in the area of peace and conflict studies. It provides students with a comprehensive set of analytical skills, research training, and policy-relevant knowledge. A broad selection of specialized courses in conflict resolution, rationalization and ethnic conflict, genocide, intelligence studies, cybersecurity, humanitarian action, security and development, and area studies, helps students gain a deep understanding of contemporary security challenges.

### Master’s in International Development (60 ECTS)

The Master’s in International Development is a degree intended for future professionals in the areas of development research and practice. Its innovative approach combines both academic rigor and policy relevance, offering a wide range of specialized courses on key topics of global development such as ongoing trends in socioeconomic inequalities, global governance, economic growth and sustainability, conflict over limited resources, and new emerging powers and social movements.

### Research Master’s in International Studies (120 ECTS)

The Research Master’s in International Studies is an interdisciplinary, 120-ECTS credit programme that combines the study of complex problems in international politics and related areas, with a strong focus on research methods in social sciences. This two-year Master’s programme intends to prepare policy analysts and researchers in different areas of international studies, providing them with advanced methods of research and a set of skills that would enable them to develop or consolidate their professional and academic careers. This Master’s offers excellent preparation to successfully pursue a PhD programme in International Relations, Development Studies, Public Policy or Political Science.

### Master’s in Public Policy (Mundus MAPP) (120 ECTS)

Mundus MAPP is a 3-year-long International Masters course, offered by IBEI and three other top-ranked European institutions: the Central European University in Budapest Hungary, the Institute of Social Studies in Erasmus University in The Hague (Netherlands) and the University of York (UK). The programme operates as an Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degree Programme funded by the European Commission. Within this programme, students have the option to do the entire second year at IBEI. Mundus MAPP provides graduates with the conceptual knowledge and hard skills that are necessary for understanding and decisively intervening in contemporary transnational policy problems, from climate change to international terrorism or financial regulatory failure.

### Master’s in Public Policy (to be launched in 2022-23) (60 ECTS)

A new Barcelona-based one-year Master’s in Public Policy is going to be launched in 2022-23 as a joint degree granted by Universitat de Barcelona (UB) and Universitat Pompeu Fabra (UPF), with a focus on local public policy, policy evaluation, European policies and global policy.

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## Executive Education

IBEI is involved in different executive education initiatives, including masters and other training programmes. IBEI offers tailor made courses designed to meet the specific needs and requirements of the requesting organization. IBEI is a member of Barcelona Gavin Sweet, founded by the Institut de Govern i Polítiques Públiques (IGOP) of the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, the Department of Political and Social Sciences of Universitat Pompeu Fabra, the Research Master in Local Studies (ERMES) of the Universitat de Barcelona and the Barcelona City Council.

## Summer Schools

The Barcelona Summer School in Global Politics, Development and Security is designed for graduate students and all those who are interested in acquiring knowledge of international security, international development and global politics issues. The objective is to offer different short courses on significant topics, heightening awareness and respect of international norms. The School analyses participants to broadly discuss current developments in world politics in the light of core social-economic challenges and perspectives.

The Barcelona Science and Technology Diplomacy Summer School, co-organized with SciTech Diplomacy, is aimed at mid-career scientists and technology experts, as well as diplomats and international relations practitioners. The Summer School offers an intensive 60-hour course that covers the most important topics on Science and Technology Diplomacy ranging from sustainable development to technology diplomacy, with a special focus on Europe, the Mediterranean and the role of global cities.

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**Welcome to IBEI**
**The Institut Barcelona d’Estudis Internacionals (IBEI) is an inter-university institute, created in 2004, to promote postgraduate training and research in politics and international relations. Aiming to advance the understanding of global challenges facing the world, IBEI is a centre of academic excellence that combines outstanding research with high-quality teaching and career development opportunities.**

Located at the crossroads between Europe, the Mediterranean and Latin America, Barcelona provides a unique environment to ponder the intricacies of governance, development and security on a global scale.

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**About IBEI**

IBEI’s research activities have been organized by forming theme-based research clusters. Each cluster brings together IBEI faculty members, affiliated professors, visiting scholars and doctoral students who share expertise on a common topic and provides them with a platform to discuss their work, exchange views, and start joint research initiatives. Cluster activities include, but are not limited to, work-in-progress meetings, retreats, workshops, training sessions and networking events with other research groups and centres.

The research clusters listed below reveal some of the key research areas at IBEI and are indicative of the institute’s particular strengths in international studies:

- Globalization and Public Policy
- Norms and Rules in International Politics
- Institutions, Inequality and Development
- Security, Conflict and Peace
- States, Diversity and Collective Identities

IBEI pays particular attention to the existing challenges to creating a more balanced and multipolar international system. The scientific production of the institute is focused on connecting the interests and concerns of today’s society with the dynamics of globalization and internationalization. Likewise, IBEI encourages exchange and collaboration with other centres and research professionals in order to promote the production and dissemination of high-quality research.

IBEI conducts many research projects, funded by different public and private sources including the European Commission, the Spanish Government and the Catalan Government, among many other sources.

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**Research**

Specializing in the field of international studies, IBEI’s research is cross-cutting and interdisciplinary, and often has immediate policy relevance.

In recent years IBEI has continuously expanded its faculty through international recruitment. The institute has also managed to attract outstanding faculty members based on competitive fellowships, while numerous renowned professors and scholars have visited IBEI for extended periods of time. All these developments have resulted in IBEI obtaining competitive research projects, enhancing the institute’s reputation worldwide and giving a major boost to research.