



MASTER FROM THE MASTERS

The International MA program in

SECURITY AND DIPLOMACY

@Tel Aviv University

Admissions Information:

The International MA in Security and Diplomacy is a one-year, full-time program open to Israeli and international students. The program comprises three semesters from October to August. Students interested in taking state-run Hebrew classes (Ulpan) are advised to arrive as early as August. Alternately, the program itself offers courses in both Hebrew and Arabic during the semester.

The Security and Diplomacy program attracts a diverse and highly motivated pool of applicants. For admissions requirements, please visit our website.

Tuition for the program is \$16,500. We offer scholarships through MASA with certain conditions. Students who enroll for a fourth semester in order to write a thesis pay an additional tuition cost of \$5,500.

The costs of Ulpan and our language courses are not included in the program's tuition fees. Students may live in the university dorms, rent an off-campus apartment or make alternative arrangements. The program does not cover living expenses.

 **TO APPLY**, submit an application through Tel Aviv University's centralized application form, available at: portal.telavivuniv.org/createprofile

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ISRAEL IS AT THE FOCUS OF THE WORLD'S ATTENTION IN BOTH SECURITY AND DIPLOMACY MATTERS.

IT IS ALSO THE CENTER OF ENORMOUS PROFESSIONAL EXPERTISE IN THESE FIELDS.

The international MA program brings together renowned scholars and leading experts in both security and diplomacy, offering students a unique learning experience in English. Educational tours of Israeli Defense Force bases and meetings with Israeli officials and foreign ambassadors are incorporated into the curriculum. Students come from all over the world and are encouraged to undertake internships and other extra-curricular activities during an exciting year in Israel.

LAUNCHING YOUR CAREER

The Security and Diplomacy program extends far beyond the traditional classroom. Our students engage with high-ranking diplomats and other decision makers in our weekly Ambassador Forum and build practical understanding on field visits to Israel's borders and key security sites. We are looking for students who are truly excited by today's key issues in the fields of security, strategy and international policy formation, and we prepare them for a wide range of career opportunities. Alumni and current students in the Security and Diplomacy program have secured jobs and internships at Israel's preeminent think tanks, numerous embassies, media and advocacy organizations, the United Nations, a private security company and other public and private employers.



PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- **Expert Faculty** > Our classes are taught by leading scholars and practitioners.
- **Security Field Trips** > Gain unparalleled firsthand experience on site visits to Israel's various borders, defenses and government offices guided by a retired brigadier general and a military correspondent.
- **Ambassador Forum** > Meetings with ambassadors to Israel, facilitated by a former director general of the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
- **Networking Opportunities** > Meet with security and diplomacy professionals at program events and internships.
- **Diverse Student Body** > Our truly global student body hails from five continents, representing countries such as the United States, China, Colombia, and India.
- **Outstanding Extracurricular Opportunities** > Our class schedule purposely allows time in the mornings and weekends for internships, volunteering and study.
- **Attention to Practical Skills** > Gain the tools to jumpstart your career in security or diplomacy.

Core Courses

- > *The International System*
- > *Israel's Strategic Doctrine*
- > *Modern Strategic Thought*
- > *Political Economy in the Global Age*
- > *International Law and the Middle East Conflict*
- > *Modern Diplomacy*
- > *The History of the Arab-Israeli Conflict*
- > *Workshops: Security Field Trips; Ambassador Forum; Middle East Crisis Simulation*

MESSAGE FROM THE PROGRAM DIRECTOR



"In the past decade, with the New World Disorder and rising threat of mega-terror, the security and defense establishment in the USA, Israel and Europe has undergone huge expansion. A similar growth of nongovernmental organizations (NGO) working in this field has also taken place. They are particularly interested in recruiting candidates with knowledge of the Middle East and Iran. For obvious reasons, Israel is very strong in all these subjects.

The International Master's in Security and Diplomacy at Tel Aviv University builds on this strength, bringing together in its faculty top scholars and leading practitioners from the Israeli armed forces, security services and foreign service. The Program also facilitates the study of the Hebrew and Arabic languages. Finally, it includes field trips of the main fronts of the Arab-Israeli conflict and the Israeli armed forces, as well as meetings with foreign ambassadors."

> **Program Head, Professor Azar Gat**

OPTIONAL THESIS

Students who wish and are qualified to write an MA thesis are invited to do so under the personal supervision of a faculty member. For this purpose they will enroll for a fourth semester.

STUDYING @ TEL AVIV UNIVERSITY

Located in Israel's cultural, financial and industrial heartland, Tel Aviv University is the country's largest academic institution, boasting a diverse and dynamic student body. Tel Aviv University is consistently ranked as one of the top institutions of higher learning worldwide. It comprises 9 faculties, 106 departments and 90 research institutes.

and bustling downtown Tel Aviv — the center of Israeli arts, culture and entertainment. Israel's largest city is a center of opportunities: it is home to a rich cultural life and a great community of experts, pubs, markets and nightlife. Enjoying the ever-sunny and warm Mediterranean weather and some of the best sandy beaches in the Middle East, Tel Aviv has a reputation for cheerful vibrancy and for being a "city that never stops."

Tel Aviv University is situated only a short distance from both the magnificent Mediterranean coast



"What I like most about the Security and Diplomacy program is the diversity of classes offered, ranging from history to seminars about propaganda and terrorism. Our security studies are strengthened by our frequent meetings with ambassadors, diplomatic staff and NGOs as well as on-the-ground security field trips. The professors provide valuable insights from their expertise, but also from their personal experiences. There are students from all over the world with different academic backgrounds who all offer a wide variety of perspectives. In addition, the city of Tel Aviv is alive, filled with vibrant culture and restaurants. I cannot imagine a greater city to live in for a graduate student."

> **Current student, Misha Lederman (Sweden)**