

THE INSTITUTE IN 2026-2027

GENEVA GRADUATE INSTITUTE

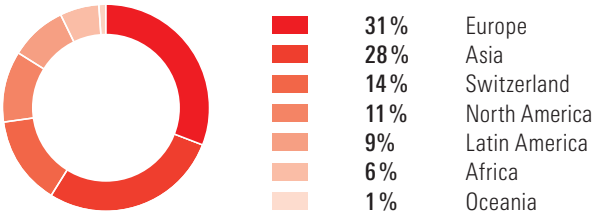
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The Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies is a leading institution of research and higher education dedicated to the study of world affairs and located in the heart of International Geneva.

STUDENTS

Students enrolled: **1,052**
Master students: **798** | PhD students: **254**
Nationalities: **88**
Students residing outside of Switzerland at time of application: **81%**
Women: **69%** | Men: **31%**
Number of applications in 2026: **2,192**

Geographic Origins (students enrolled)



ACADEMIC AND ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Professors: **73**
Lecturers: **11**
Visiting Faculty: **54**
Visiting Researchers: **44**
Number of Institute employees (mandates and research grants included): **566** (480 full-time equivalent)
Number of people employed for research: **136** (98.62 full-time equivalent)

Figures as of 15 October 2026

MASTER AND PHD PROGRAMMES

Interdisciplinary Master

- Master in International and Development Studies (MINT)

Disciplinary Masters and PhDs

- Anthropology and Sociology
- Economics (PhD only)
- International Economics
- International History and Politics
- International Law
- International Relations / Political Science

A fast track option to complete the master and PhD curricula in five years instead of six exists. There is a possibility to chose a minor in another discipline in PhD programmes.

JOINT, DUAL, BA + MA PROGRAMMES

With the University of Geneva

- Dual Master in Global Health
- LL.M. in International Dispute Settlement (MIDS)
- LL.M.-MAS in International Crimes, Justice, and Human Rights (The Geneva Academy)
- LL.M.-MAS in International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights (The Geneva Academy)
- Online MAS in International Law in Armed Conflicts (The Geneva Academy)

Throughout the world

- Amherst College, United States (BA + MA)
- China Foreign Affairs University, Beijing, China (BA + MA)
- Colby College, United States (BA + MA)
- Colgate University, United States (BA + MA)
- Fundação Getulio Vargas, School of International Relations, São Paulo, Brazil (BA + MA)
- Harvard Kennedy School, United States (Dual Degree)
- Hong Kong University, Faculty of Arts, Hong Kong (BA + MA)
- Hong Kong University, Faculty of Medicine, Hong Kong (BA + MA)
- Hong Kong University, Faculty of Social Sciences, Hong Kong (BA + MA)
- Jackson Institute of Global Affairs, Yale University, United States (Accelerated MA Degree Programme)
- Macalester College, United States (BA + MA)
- McGill University, Montreal, Canada (BA + MA)
- Mount Holyoke College, United States (BA + MA)
- Peking University, School of International Studies, Beijing, China (BA + MA)
- Pontifical Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro (Collaborative Master), Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
- Seton Hall University, United States (BA + MA)
- Shanghai International Studies University, Shanghai, China (BA + MA)
- Smith College, United States (BA + MA)
- Sophia University, Tokyo, Japan (BA+MA)
- Wellesley College, United States (BA + MA)

Academic partnerships in Africa, the Americas, Asia and Europe: **69**

OTHER PROGRAMMES

- Summer Programme (several programmes)
- Undergraduate Semester Programme

RESEARCH CENTRES

- Albert Hirschman Centre on Democracy
- Centre for Digital Humanities and Multilateralism
- Centre for Finance and Development
- Centre for Trade and Economic Integration
- Centre on Conflict, Development and Peacebuilding
- Gender Centre
- Global Governance Centre
- Global Health Centre
- Global Migration Centre
- Hoffmann Centre for Global Sustainability
- NORRAG Global Education Centre

EXECUTIVE EDUCATION

Degree-granting Programmes

- Executive Certificate in Advocacy and International Public Affairs
- Executive Certificate in Development Policies and Practices
- Executive Certificate in Development Policies and Practices – Conflict and Fragility Management
- Executive Certificate – Genre et développement
- Executive Certificate – Género y Desarrollo
- Executive Diploma in Advocacy and International Public Affairs
- Executive Diploma in Development Policies and Practices
- Executive Diploma in Development Policies and Practices – Conflict and Fragility Management
- Executive Diploma in Development Policies and Practices – Governance, Resilience and Recovery
- Executive Diploma in Diplomacy, Negotiation and Policy
- Executive Diploma – Genre et développement
- Executive Master in International Relations
- LL.M. in Global Health Law and Governance
- LL.M. in International Law

Executive Courses

- Executive Course – Crisis Negotiations and Peace Mediation
- Executive Course – Decoding Migration Governance
- Executive Course – Diplomacy in a New International Order
- Executive Course – Foresight and Science for Policymaking
- Executive Course – Mastering Fundraising Practices
- Executive Course – Project Management and AI for Social Impact
- Executive Course – Theories and Practices of International Relations
- Upskill Series – Advocacy Around the World
- Upskill Series – AI Governance, Standards and Policy
- Upskill Series – AI and Intellectual Property
- Upskill Series – Applied AI for Negotiation
- Upskill Series – Ethical Leadership in International Affairs
- Upskill Series – Leadership for Advocacy
- Upskill Series – Practical AI for Diplomats and Civil Servants
- Upskill Series – Storytelling for Advocacy

Customised Programmes: for organisations in the public and private sectors

ALUMNAE·I

Alumnae·i throughout the world: **29,538**, including **24,803** full alumnae·i
Groups (including chapters): **118**

A Selection of Alumnae·i

- Kofi **Annan** (1962), UN Secretary-General (1997–2006)
- Micheline **Calmy-Rey** (1968), Swiss politician; Federal Councillor, Head of the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs (2003–2011)
- Patricia **Danzi** (2001), humanitarian; former Olympic athlete; first woman Director of the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC)
- Patricia **Espinosa** (1987), Executive Secretary, United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (2016–2022); Minister of Foreign Affairs of Mexico (2006–2012)
- Saul **Friedländer** (1963), 2008 Pulitzer Prize Winner; Emeritus Professor of History, UCLA
- Rafael M. **Grossi** (1991, 1997), Argentinian Diplomat; Director General, International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)
- Leonid **Hurwicz** (1940), 2007 Nobel Prize Winner in Economics
- Nobuyuki **Idei** (1962), Founder and CEO, Quantum Leaps Corporation, Tokyo; Chairman and Group CEO, Sony Corporation (1998–2005)
- Pierre **Krähenbühl** (1991), Director-General, International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC)
- Andréa **M. Maechler** (1994), first Swiss Deputy General Manager, Bank for International Settlements (BIS); first woman to sit on the Governing Board of the Swiss National Bank (SNB) (2015–2023)
- Vera **Michalski-Hoffmann** (1978), president of several publishing houses in Switzerland, France and Poland, which are grouped together in the holding Libella SA and the Jan Michalski Foundation
- Hans **J. Morgenthau** (1932), pioneering figure in international relations, lawyer, philosopher, writer, professor at the University of Chicago
- Brad **Smith** (1984), President, Microsoft
- Hernando **de Soto** (1967), President, Institute for Liberty and Democracy, Peru



Dêlidji Eric Degila (professor) , H.E. Dr Julius Maada Bio (President, Republic of Sierra Leone) et Stephanie Hofmann (professor) on 13 October 2026. Photo credit: Michelle Olguin.

- René-Jean **Wilhelm** (1946), lawyer and co-editor of the Geneva Conventions
- Lan **Yan** (1991), Managing Director, Head of Greater China Investment Banking, Lazard Ltd

PUBLIC EVENTS

A Selection of Recent Guest Speakers

- H.E. Dr Julius Maada **Bio**, President, Republic of Sierra Leone; immediate past Chairman, Authority of Heads of State and Government, ECOWAS
- Doreen **Bogdan-Martin**, Secretary-General, International Telecommunication Union (ITU)
- Prof. Dr László **Bruszt**, Director, CEU Democracy Institute
- Ronnie C. **Chan**, Hong Kong businessman and philanthropist; Honorary Chair, Hang Lung Properties
- Carol **Graham**, Senior Fellow, Economic Studies Program, Brookings Institution; Professor, University of Maryland
- Filippo **Grandi**, former UN High Commissioner for Refugees
- Rafael **Grossi**, Director General, International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)
- Marlène **Laruelle**, Professor, Luiss University, Rome, Italy
- Philippe **Lazzarini**, former Commissioner-General, UNRWA
- Gideon **Levy**, columnist and member of the editorial board, *Haaretz*
- Budi Gunadi **Sadikin**, Minister of Health, Republic of Indonesia
- Timothy **Snyder**, inaugural Temerty Chair in Modern European History, Munk School of Global Affairs and Public Policy, University of Toronto
- Joseph **Stiglitz**, 2001 Nobel Prize in Economic Science; former Chief Economist, World Bank; Professor, Columbia University
- Abdulqawi A. **Yusuf**, former Judge and former President, International Court of Justice, The Hague, The Netherlands

CAMPUS DE LA PAIX

In the Heart of International Geneva with more than

- 42 international organisations
- 497 non-governmental organisations
- 186 permanent missions

Buildings

- The Maison de la paix is the academic centre of the campus
- The Edgar and Danièle de Picciotto Student Residence houses 250 residents
- The Grand Morillon Student Residence houses 650 residents
- The Villa Barton hosts Executive Education activities
- The Villa Moynier hosts the Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights in Geneva and the Geneva Center for International Dispute Settlement (CIDS)
- The Rothschild Building notably hosts NORRAG and the Swiss Network for International Studies (SNIS)

For further information, please visit our website.

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