

## YOUR OPPORTUNITY

The M.A. International Relations (IR) Online –

- offers an excellent opportunity for young professionals to obtain a master's degree in International Relations in a blended-learning setting
- prepares graduates for careers in administration, consulting, private enterprises, as well as in international agencies and NGOs
- is an English-language executive Master of Arts program comprising 120 ECTS credits
- belongs to an international network of dedicated IR experts

## OUR VISION

IR Online is a blended-learning M.A. program designed to advance training and career opportunities for professionals.

Experts from excellent academic institutions around the world and the IR Online team in Berlin provide individual guidance to students.

By creating an international network of IR experts, IR Online helps foster transnational understanding and cooperation.

IR Online provides effective and inspiring training opportunities for the international job market.

## PROGRAM COMPONENTS

The M.A. program IR Online –

- is a full-fledged executive M.A. program comprising 120 ECTS credits
- combines online self-study with periods of full-time course attendance

- ensures personal guidance and supervision by international faculty
- trains students in complex policy analysis based on theoretical concepts
- provides effective quality-assurance mechanisms governing all modules
- qualifies graduates for further research at the PhD level

## SYLLABUS

- Introduction and Tools
- Theoretical Approaches to Global Politics
- Globalization
- European Politics
- International Law
- International Trade and Finance
- Megacities – New Sites of Governance
- Information Technologies and World Politics
- Global Risks
- Migration, Citizenship, and Identity
- Intercultural Studies
- Conflict Management
- International Negotiation and Simulation

## METHODS

IR Online offers an innovative and effective study design for professionals -

- all study materials are accessed via the interactive IR Online learning platform
- the learning progress is supervised and guided by our international faculty and team
- full-time attendance is required during one-week in-house classes in March and October of each year

- networking opportunities with policy makers and experts in Berlin complement the curriculum
- IR Online offers flexible study solutions enabling students to balance early-stage career development, continuing academic qualifications, and personal commitments

## FACULTY AND STUDENTS

**Our students –**

- are highly motivated professionals from around the world
- come together to deepen their knowledge of issues and processes in global politics
- study in a learning environment offering a high degree of flexibility and enriching intellectual exchange

**Our faculty members –**

- are experts and lecturers at well-known universities around the world
- provide personal guidance during all modules and are always ready to help and assist
- contribute to the diverse intellectual environment by their expertise and research

Rebecca Kasens, German Embassy Riga (Latvia):

*"I studied International Relations Online from 2008 until 2010, while pursuing my career as a diplomat in the German Foreign Service. The M.A. program opened my eyes to how interconnected things are in today's globalized world. It gave me tools and theories to analyze those connections. The meetings and discussions with my fellow students, both those at the in-house classes and on the various online platforms made the studies especially fruitful to me."*

## STUDY OPTIONS

- Full-time:  
2 years – Master's degree – 120 ECTS credits
- Part-time:  
4 years – Master's degree – 120 ECTS credits
- Stand Alone Module:  
6-10 weeks – FU Berlin certificate – 8 ECTS credits

## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

IR Online applicants should meet the following requirements:

- a first degree (B.A. or equivalent) in an IR-related subject
- proficiency in English
- at least one year of relevant professional experience

For further information, please visit our website:

- [www.ir-online.org](http://www.ir-online.org)

## ABOUT US

The M.A. program IR Online is one of the graduate programs offered by the Center for Global Politics at Freie Universität Berlin, one of the top research universities in Germany. Freie Universität Berlin was awarded the status "University of Excellence" in 2007.

Prof. Dr. Klaus Segbers is the founder of the Center for Global Politics. He holds the Chair of Political Science at the Institute for East European Studies and is a professor of International Relations at the Otto-Suhr-Institute for Political Science at Freie Universität Berlin.

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