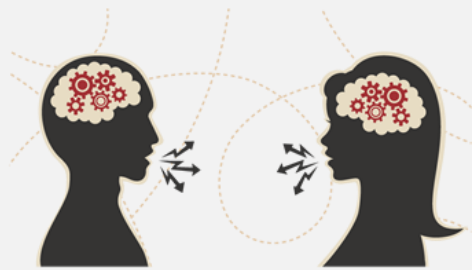


Careers in International Affairs



An interdisciplinary field, International Affairs prepares students for a range of careers.



Communications & Public Relations



Business



Development & Conflict Resolution



Energy & Environment



Education



Human Rights & Law



Science & Technology



Security & Intelligence

You Say You Like...

- Tackling Big Problems (Poverty, Environment, Disease)
- Helping People (Call to Service)
- Travel, Culture, Language
- Politics and Government
- Debating and Arguing
- Playing a Role in Social Change

Putting Together Majors, Interests, Careers

- Area Studies + Environment = Climate Change Specialist
- Geography + Energy = Sustainable Transportation Coordinator
- Politics + Economics + History + Language = Country Officer
- Computer Science + Policy = Cybersecurity Fellow
- History + Business + Area Studies = Political Risk Analyst
- Development + Technology = Mobile Health Manager
- Communications + Policy = Public Diplomacy Coordinator
- Area Studies + Journalism = Human Rights Monitor
- Engineering + Development = Monitoring & Evaluation Expert
- Diplomacy + Economics = Trade Negotiator
- Human Rights + Education = Refugee Assistant

What Do You Need?

(International)
Professional
Experience

Write Well
Speak Comfortably
Language Proficiency

Analytical/Quant
Technical

Understand Project
Management

Build a Network

Where Do You Get it?

Internships
Work Study

Study Abroad
Fellowships

Coursework
Publications

Peace Corps
AmeriCorps
Volunteering

Young Professionals'
Groups
Professors / Alums

Where Do You Get it – in a Pandemic?

Remote Internships
or Volunteering

Local-Global
Connections

Write Blogs
Research

Freelance Projects
Contract Work

Online Meet-Ups
Discussion Boards



Every application varies, but be prepared to provide:

- Cover Letter
- Resume
- Official transcripts from each institution
- Writing Samples
- References



How to structure a cover letter

opening paragraph: introduce you and the position you are applying for

- YOU
- ME
- WE



Resume

- 1 page
- No spelling/ grammar mistakes
- Reverse chronological order
- Bulleted list of relevant experiences and education
- Overview of relevant accomplishments
- Focus on details and numbers
- Clearly connects with job description

Other tips:

- Be prepared about the company
- Be prepared about the job position
- Be prepared about the interviewer
- Practice the interview
- Stay in contact with the company

Also very important... ..

- Shape your LinkedIn Profile
- Build your network (classmates, alumni, professors etc.)

Do

- Request recommendations from people who know your work well
- Give your references explicit instructions
- Ask for standing letters of recommendation, as well as tailored content

Don't

- Ask family or friends to write letters of recommendation
- Rely on famous names
- Make foolish mistakes
- Neglect to inform your references that they will be contacted

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