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CIFAL Miami - Master's of Arts and Global Affairs

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Type:	Course
Location:	Miami, United States of America
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Duration:	280 Days
Programme Area:	Decentralize Cooperation Programme
Website:	https://cifalmiami.org/
Price:	\$31,350.00
Event Focal Point Email:	CIFALMIAMI@OAAUSA.ORG
Partnership:	CIFAL Miami, , Florida International University, , Florida International University

BACKGROUND

This two-year professional degree program offers students a premier graduate global affairs education preparing graduates for careers in government, non-governmental, and international organizations, as well as the private sector.

EVENT OBJECTIVES

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CONTENT AND STRUCTURE

Through courses taught by a diverse faculty at the top of their academic and professional fields, Capstone research projects, and Professional Development Seminars, students can choose to focus in one of three different tracks: The Cybersecurity and Technology Policy track addresses the growing threats posed by digital technologies and connected devices to public and private sectors worldwide. High-profile cyberattacks and data breaches have exposed major policy gaps in building resilience. At the same time, emerging technologies like

AI, machine learning, cloud computing, and blockchain are driving innovation but demand clear regulatory frameworks. This interdisciplinary program equips students with both technical and policy expertise for careers in cybersecurity and tech governance. The Globalization and Security track explores the evolving complexities of international security in a globalized world. It addresses both traditional issues—like war, nuclear proliferation, intelligence, and diplomacy—and emerging challenges such as human rights, democratization, transnational crime, and business risk. The track emphasizes the need for diverse approaches to manage security in today's shifting geopolitical and human-centered landscape. The International Crime and Justice track explores the global dimensions of crime and justice in an era shaped by globalization. It addresses transnational crime, international law, and justice systems, while integrating technical tools such as mapping, GIS, and cybercrime analysis to better understand criminal networks and the growing cyber domain.

METHODOLOGY

FIU's Master of Arts in Global Affairs uses a mix of lectures, research assignments, case studies, and group projects to build both theoretical knowledge and practical skills. The program includes expert guest speakers, online flexible learning, and a capstone project to apply learning to real-world global issues.

TARGETED AUDIENCE

- **Aspiring International Affairs Professionals** Individuals seeking careers in diplomacy, international organizations, NGOs, or government agencies focused on global policy and relations.
- **Current Practitioners** Professionals working in public service, foreign affairs, international development, or global business who want to deepen their knowledge and skills.
- **Recent Graduates** Students with undergraduate degrees in political science, international relations, economics, or related fields aiming to specialize in global affairs.
- **Policy Analysts and Researchers** Those interested in analyzing and addressing complex global challenges through policy formulation and research.
- **Business and NGO Leaders** Individuals involved in multinational corporations or nonprofit organizations requiring expertise in global dynamics, governance, and intercultural communication.
- **Military and Security Personnel** Officers and analysts focusing on international security, defense policy, or geopolitical

strategy.