

*A Graduate School of National Security
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THE INSTITUTE
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**Application
for
Admission**

The Institute of World Politics

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Application Requirements

For M.A. Applicants

Applying to the Institute's **Master of Arts program** requires the following:

- Completed and signed Application for Admission (in this packet)
- Resumé
- Official academic transcripts from all institutions attended (transcripts must be in English and mailed directly from applicant's institution to IWP's Admissions Office).
- TOEFL scores (for international students). IWP's institutional code is **9022**. All international students applying for admission are also required to complete the International Student Information Form. This form must be submitted along with the Application for Admission. Copies are available in the Admissions Office or at www.iwp.edu.
- GRE scores.* IWP's institutional code is **5474**.
- Three letters of recommendation (forms enclosed). Forms must be sent directly to IWP by the recommender.
- Essay on Educational and Professional Goals*
- General Essay*
- Admissions interviews (conducted on a rolling basis as needed)
- \$75 non-refundable application fee (check or money order made payable to The Institute of World Politics)

*See the *Master's Degree Application Addendum* in this packet

For Certificate Applicants

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- Resumé
- Official academic transcripts from all institutions attended (transcripts must be in English and mailed directly from applicant's institution to IWP's Admissions Office).
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- Essay on Educational and Professional Goals: Please describe (1) your reasons for applying to the Institute and what you hope to accomplish with your studies here, and (2) your short and long-term career goals. (*Typewritten, 250 words*)
- General Essay: It has been said that we have entered what may be the most dangerous security environment the world has ever known. Evaluate this assertion from the perspective of world history by choosing another time period where a dangerous security environment also existed and compare the present with the past, concluding with your own assessment. (*Typewritten, 500-750 words*)
- \$75 non-refundable application fee (check or money order made payable to The Institute of World Politics)

For Continuing Education Applicants and Auditors

Applying to the Institute as a **Continuing Education student** or **Auditor** requires the following:

- Completed and signed Application for Admission (in this packet)
- Resumé
- Official academic transcripts from all institutions attended (transcripts must be in English and mailed directly from applicant's institution to IWP's Admissions Office).
- TOEFL scores (for international students). IWP's institutional code is **9022**. All international students applying for admission are also required to complete the International Student Information Form. This form must be submitted along with the Application for Admission. Copies are available in the Admissions Office or at www.iwp.edu.
- Essay on Educational and Professional Goals: Please describe (1) your reasons for applying to the Institute and what you hope to accomplish with your studies here, and (2) your short and long-term career goals. (*Typewritten, 250 words*)
- \$75 non-refundable application fee (check or money order made payable to The Institute of World Politics)

All submitted materials must be in English and, for full consideration, must be received no later than the relevant application deadlines. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Please consult the *Catalog and Student Handbook* for details about official policies and procedures (available at www.iwp.edu). Send all application materials to the address at the bottom of this page.

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Application for Admission

Please check the appropriate boxes:

SEMESTER START DATE Spring 2010 Summer 2010 Fall 2010 Spring 2011 Other: _____

PROGRAM

- M.A., Strategic Intelligence Studies
- M.A., Statecraft and National Security Affairs Specialization (leave blank if unsure): _____
- M.A., Statecraft and International Affairs Specialization (leave blank if unsure): _____
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- Certificate of Graduate Study ___ American Foreign Policy ___ Intelligence
 ___ Comparative Political Culture ___ International Politics
 ___ Counterintelligence ___ National Security Affairs
 ___ Democracy Building ___ Public Diplomacy & Political Warfare
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- Continuing Education ___ for credit ___ as an auditor

Please type or print legibly. **Incomplete applications will not be processed.** All information will be kept confidential. The Institute does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, handicap, sex, or national origin.

I. PERSONAL INFORMATION

Gender: Female Male Title (Mr., Ms., Dr., military rank, etc.): _____ Suffix (II, Esq., etc.): _____

Citizenship: U.S. Citizen Non-U.S. Citizen _____
Country of Citizenship

Last Name	First	Middle Initial	Social Security Number
Current Address	City/State		Zip Code
Permanent Address (if different)	City/State		Zip Code
(____)	(____)	Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)	E-mail Address
Home Phone	Work Phone	Emergency Contact/Relationship	Emergency Phone
Current Title and Employer	Emergency Contact/Relationship		Emergency Phone
Parent(s) Name(s) if different from Emergency Contact	Phone		

Under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Institute is required by the U.S. Government to ask for information on the race/ethnic origin of applicants for admission. Your cooperation is strictly voluntary, but would be appreciated.

How would you describe yourself? (Optional) Please check only one category.

___ Nonresident alien ___ Hispanic/Latino ___ American Indian or Alaska Native ___ Asian ___ White
___ Black or African American ___ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander ___ Two or more races ___ Race and ethnicity unknown

II. ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Overall Undergraduate GPA _____ GPA in Major _____ Graduate GPA (if applicable) _____
Degree (most recent first) Major/Field College or University Location Date Degree Earned

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III. TOEFL SCORES (for international applicants)

Test Date	Listening	Reading	Speaking	Writing	Total
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IV. HONORS & AWARDS

List any academic honors (awards, honorary societies, scholarships) or scholarly achievements (professional societies, publications, papers presented, research) or other creative work. (Use separate sheet if necessary.)

V. OTHER INFORMATION

a. How did you first hear about The Institute of World Politics? *(Please be specific)* _____

b. Will you enroll part-time _____ or full-time _____?

c. Have you ever been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor? Yes No If "Yes," please give dates and details: _____

d. Will your employer be sponsoring your education at IWP? Yes No If "Yes," to what extent (percentage)? _____%

e. Have you ever served in the **U.S. armed forces**? Yes No If "Yes," please specify branch: _____; current status (active, reserve, retired): _____; and dates of service: _____

How did you hear about the Institute? _____

Will you be applying for VA benefits? Yes No If "Yes," please specify program: _____

Will you be applying under direct sponsorship from your current command? Yes No

Do you require any particular attention given to your circumstances? No Yes: _____

f. If you are interested in IWP scholarships/grants, see the *Catalog and Student Handbook*, or visit the IWP website. For need-based financial assistance and other forms of aid, such as federal student loans, private student loans, and outside scholarships, grants and fellowships, contact the Director of Financial Aid at financialaid@iw.edu.

VI. CERTIFICATION

My signature below indicates 1) that the information herein is complete and correct; 2) that I recognize the right of the Institute to expel at any time any student whose conduct at the Institute renders his or her presence undesirable in the program and 3) that I understand my application will be considered only if the \$75 application fee is enclosed along with all other required information.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Tuition and Fees

See *Catalog and Student Handbook* for additional details or www.iwp.edu for updates

Tuition:	\$1,000 per credit hour (or \$4,000 per four-credit course) <i>Subject to change</i>
Application Fee:	\$75 (waived for attendees of Open Houses)
Student services fee:	\$150 for spring/fall semester; \$75 for summer session
Registration deposit:	\$300 per course (for new students); applied toward tuition
Late Registration Fee:	\$100 for Certificate and Cont. Ed. students/\$500 for M.A. students

Important Dates and Deadlines

Spring 2010 (Jan. 19-May 6)	Summer 2010 (May 31-July 20)	Fall 2010 (Aug. 30-Dec. 9)	Spring 2011 (Jan. 18-May 5)
Admission (MA): Oct. 1	Admission (MA): Feb. 1	Admission (MA): Feb. 1	Admission (MA): Oct. 1
Admission (other): Dec. 31	Admission (other): May 1	Admission (other): August 1	Admission (other): Jan. 1
Registration deadline: Jan. 8	Registration deadline: May 21	Registration deadline: August 20	Registration deadline: Jan. 7

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Master's Degree Application Addendum

All M.A. applicants must submit the following with their completed Application for Admission:

I. GRE* _____ / _____ % _____ / _____ % _____ / _____ %
Exam Date Verbal Analytical Quantitative

**IWP's institutional code is 5474. Scores must be sent directly to IWP from the GRE testing center and should be no more than five years old. LSAT scores may be substituted.*

II. Letters of Recommendation

	Name	Title & Affiliation	Relationship
Academic	_____	_____	_____
Academic/Professional	_____	_____	_____
Character	_____	_____	_____

III. Language Requirement (for M.A. in Statecraft and International Affairs applicants only)

In order to demonstrate a professional reading knowledge of a strategically important foreign language, all candidates for the M.A. in *Statecraft and World Politics* must pass a proficiency examination by the end of their final semester of study. Please indicate below the language you intend to use to fulfill this requirement. Non-native speakers of English who are fluent in English (or have a TOEFL score of 250/600 or higher) are considered to have met this requirement. Please contact the Director of Student Affairs for details.

_____ Arabic _____ Chinese _____ French _____ German _____ Italian _____ Japanese _____ Portuguese
_____ Russian _____ Spanish _____ Other: _____ (must be approved by the Academic Dean)

What is your current level of knowledge of this language (beginner, intermediate, advanced)? _____

IV. Essay on Educational and Professional Goals

Please describe (1) your reasons for applying to the Institute and what you hope to accomplish with your studies here; (2) the area of specialization you wish to pursue within your chosen Master's degree program and why; and (3) your short and long-term career goals. (*Typewritten, 250 words*)

V. General Essay

Throughout modern history, in the absence of world government, states have relied on power politics to pursue their vital interests, using such instruments as military force, alliances, espionage, propaganda, and economic and diplomatic pressure. Some theorists believe that the end of the Cold War and recent trends toward globalization—i.e., growing international economic interdependence and reliance on international organizations—will make these traditional instruments of power less important in international relations. Do you agree or disagree with this claim, and why? (*Typewritten, 500-1,000 words*)

VI. Please list any other graduate programs to which you are applying or have been admitted (optional):

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Academic Recommendation (Required for Master of Arts Applicants)

To the Applicant: Please complete this section and submit this recommendation form, along with a stamped envelope, to the person providing the recommendation (who should be one of your professors). This recommendation will become part of your admission file and will not be disclosed to any unauthorized individual without your consent.

I understand my right under the US *Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974* (20 U.S.C. 1232g; 34 C.F.R. 99.1-99.67) to review confidential appraisals placed in my file that are submitted pertinent to admission to IWP.

_____ I do _____ do not waive my right to review this reference report.*

Name (printed): _____ E-mail: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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To the Recommender: The Institute of World Politics is an independent graduate school of national security and international affairs, dedicated to helping create leaders who are professionally skilled in statecraft, i.e., the use of the various instruments of power in service of vital national interests, peace and security, and who are guided by prudential judgment and sound ethics. The purpose of this recommendation is to assist us in determining whether the applicant possesses the *intellectual ability, academic skills, and personal character traits* necessary for success in a highly competitive graduate program. The applicant named above will have access to this recommendation unless he/she has waived that right. **Please sign and return this form in a sealed envelope to the address located at the bottom of this page.** The Admissions Committee greatly appreciates your cooperation in providing an evaluation of this applicant's potential as a graduate student at The Institute of World Politics.

Recommender's Name _____ Title _____

Institution/Company/Agency _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____ E-mail _____

In what capacity, and for how long, have you known the applicant?

Using the following scale, please rate the applicant by circling the appropriate numerical value:

1 = Exceptional 2 = Very Good 3 = Good
4 = Fair 5 = Poor NA = No basis for rating

a. General Qualifications

Ability to engage in independent inquiry	1	2	3	4	5	NA
Ability to express self in writing	1	2	3	4	5	NA
Breadth of general knowledge	1	2	3	4	5	NA
Analytical skills	1	2	3	4	5	NA
Emotional stability and maturity	1	2	3	4	5	NA
Intellectual ability	1	2	3	4	5	NA
Motivation	1	2	3	4	5	NA
Perseverance	1	2	3	4	5	NA
Potential as a creative scholar or teacher	1	2	3	4	5	NA
Responsibility in assignments and undertakings	1	2	3	4	5	NA

Please complete the reverse side of this sheet.

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b. Leadership Qualities

General moral character	1	2	3	4	5	NA
Integrity (personal and intellectual)	1	2	3	4	5	NA
Courage	1	2	3	4	5	NA
Ability to think independently and resist pressures to conform to popular or fashionable opinion	1	2	3	4	5	NA
Sense of justice	1	2	3	4	5	NA
Prudence in judgment, particularly concerning controversial issues	1	2	3	4	5	NA

c. How would you describe this applicant's overall ranking in comparison with other students at his or her educational level?

- Upper 5%
 Upper 10%
 Upper 25%
 Average
 Below average

d. Personal Remarks

Please include additional remarks you may wish to make regarding the applicant's ability to succeed in a rigorous program of graduate studies. We also encourage you to comment on the degree to which he or she possesses knowledge or appreciation of those factors that may affect both the conduct of statecraft and statesmanship, such as the importance of history; the role of ideas, philosophy, and religion; the role of political culture; the role of economics; the role of civic virtues; and an understanding of the ingredients of free, open, and democratic societies. Attach an additional page if more space is needed. *Please remember to sign your name below.*

Signature of Recommender _____ Date _____

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Academic/Professional Recommendation

Please indicate: Academic Professional

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c. How would you describe the applicant's overall ranking in comparison with other students or co-workers at his or her educational or professional level? Upper 5% Upper 10% Upper 25% Average Below average

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Character Recommendation (Required for Master of Arts Applicants)

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a. General Personal Character Traits

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Personal integrity	1	2	3	4	5	NA
Intellectual integrity	1	2	3	4	5	NA
Analytical skills	1	2	3	4	5	NA
Emotional stability	1	2	3	4	5	NA
Maturity	1	2	3	4	5	NA
Motivation	1	2	3	4	5	NA
Perseverance	1	2	3	4	5	NA
Self-control	1	2	3	4	5	NA
General manners/Courtesy	1	2	3	4	5	NA
Respect toward others	1	2	3	4	5	NA
Responsibility in assignments and undertakings	1	2	3	4	5	NA

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b. Leadership Qualities

Thoughtfulness about the needs of others	1	2	3	4	5	NA
Commitment to matters of principle	1	2	3	4	5	NA
Courage	1	2	3	4	5	NA
Ability to think independently and resist pressures to conform to popular or fashionable opinion	1	2	3	4	5	NA
Sense of justice	1	2	3	4	5	NA
Prudence in judgment, particularly concerning controversial issues	1	2	3	4	5	NA
Loyalty	1	2	3	4	5	NA

c. Personal Remarks

Please include additional remarks you may wish to make regarding this applicant's character as well as his or her ability to succeed in a rigorous program of graduate studies. *Please remember to sign your name below.*

Signature of Recommender _____ Date _____