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GLOBAL PUBLIC POLICY  
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**GLOBAL PUBLIC POLICY**  
**2024-2025 Course Information and Concentration Information**  
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**Background:** As described on the Humphrey website, concentrations “provide an integrated portfolio of professional preparation.” Our Master of Public Policy (MPP) program has a structured Global Policy concentration, **but we urge students in all of our degree programs** to take advantage of our global course offerings (some of which are listed below).

This paper outlines the MPP Global Public Policy concentration options and requirements and lists globally focused courses. The GPP concentration equips students with the essential knowledge, skills, and perspectives they need to launch careers as global professionals. Students gain a solid foundation of knowledge and relevant skills in areas that include **U.S. foreign and global security policy, international development policy, and human rights and humanitarianism**. Students interested in the Global Public Policy concentration should schedule meetings with their faculty advisors or with the Global Policy Chair, Eric Schwartz, to discuss their academic and career goals.

**Requirements for the concentration:**

Three Global Policy Courses: GPP MPP concentration students must take a minimum of nine credits in Global Policy Area courses. Beyond that basic requirement, there are other general MPP requirements, which we strongly recommend students tailor toward their global interests, as described directly below.

Recommended global economics focus: Students may follow any approved pathway to fulfill MPP *methods* requirements. In terms of those general MPP requirements, we strongly recommend that students take one of the following MPP core course options as their *second economics* course.

1. PA 5503 **Economics of Development** (Ibrahim) (3 cr, offered Fall)\*
2. PA 5521 **Development Planning and Policy Analysis**. (Wahby) (4 cr, offered Spring)\*
3. PA 5805 **Global Economics** (McDonald) (3 cr, offered Spring)\*

\*MPP Global Policy concentration students may use PA 5503, PA 5521, or PA 5805 to meet their second economics requirement **or** to meet their concentration requirement, but courses may not be double-counted to fulfill both.

Final Humphrey project

Students seeking a Global Public Policy concentration must complete either –

- A capstone (preferably one of the capstones offered in U.S. foreign and global security policy, international development policy, and human rights and humanitarianism); *or*
- A final professional paper.

Students may want to consider the graduate minors in [Human Rights](#), in [Science, Technology and Environmental Policy \(STEP\)](#), or in [Law](#).

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**Courses that meet concentration requirements (and which may be of interest to students in any of our degree programs)**

There are some 30 courses below, each with information on the next semester it will be offered. The majority of the courses listed below will be offered during the 2024-2025 school year.

The University of Minnesota offers hundreds of other courses that focus in some way on global issues. Thus, alternate courses—that is, courses not listed here but which have significant global content—may meet concentration requirements, but must first be approved by the Global Policy Area chair. Some courses listed are not offered every year and new courses are frequently added, often under the “topics” group of PA 5890, and sometimes at relatively short notice. We will seek to keep students informed of such changes.

**Foreign and International Security Policy**

PA 5801	Global Public Policy (Spring 2025)	Seim	3 cr.
PA 5805	Global Economics (Spring 2025)	McDonald	3 cr.
PA 5813	American Foreign Policy(Fall 2024)	Schwartz	3 cr.
PA 5814	Global Diplomacy in a Changing World (not currently offered)	TBD	3cr
PA 5823	Humanitarian & Human Rights Crises: Challenges for Policy Makers & Practitioners (Offered Fall 2024)	Schwartz	3 cr
PA 5825	Crisis Management in Foreign Affairs (Spring 2025)	Andreasen	1.5 cr.
PA 5826	National Security Policy (Fall 2024)	Andreasen	3 cr.
PA 5827	International Strategic Crisis Negotiation Exercise (Fall 2024)	Olson	1 cr.
PA 5890-03	Ethics Conversations for Global Professionals (Spring 2025)	Shindelar	1 cr.
PA 5890-TBD	The Politics of Nuclear Weapons	Bell	3 cr.
Law 6071	International Law (Spring 2025)	Ni Aolain	3 cr.

### International Development Policy

PA 5301	Population Methods & Issues for the US & Global South (Fall 2024))	Hacker	3 cr.
PA 5501	Theories and Policies of Development (Fall 2024)	Krafft	3 cr.
PA 5503	Economics of Development (Fall 2024)*	Ibrahim	3 cr.
PA 5521	Development Planning and Policy Analysis (Spring 2025) *	Wahby	4 cr.
PA 5531	Global Sustainable Development in Practice (offered Spring 2026)	Randell	3 cr.
PA 5561	Gender and International Development (not currently offered)	Friedmann-Sanchez	3 cr.
PA 5504	Transforming Development (not currently offered)	Friedmann-Sanchez	3 cr.
PA 5805	Global Economics (Spring 2025)*	McDonald	3 cr.
PA 5890-02	Ethics Conversations for Global Professionals (Spring 2025)	Shindelar	1 cr.

### Global Human Rights, Humanitarianism and Gender Policy

PA 5601	Global Survey of Gender & Public Policy (Spring 2025)	Ewig	3 cr.
PA 5662	Gender and Social Policy in Europe and the Americas (offered in Spring 2026)	Ewig	3 cr.
PA 5683	Gender, Race, and Political Representation (offered in Fall 2025)	Ewig	3 cr.
PA 5823	Humanitarian & Human Rights Crises: Challenges for Policy Makers & Practitioners (Fall 2024)	Schwartz	3 cr.
PA 5885	Human Rights Policy: Issues and Actors (Fall 2024)	Olsen	3 cr.
PA 5890-01	Human Rights, Business, and Governance (Spring 2025)	Olsen	3 cr.
PA 5890-02	Ethics Conversations for Global Professionals (Spring 2025)	Shindelar	1 cr.
PA 5890-003	Global Indigenous Politics and Policy (Spring 2025)	Lightfoot	3 cr.
GLOS 5403	Human Rights Advocacy (Spring 2025)	Walling	3 cr.
LAW 6872	Immigration law: Asylum, Removal, and “Crimmigration” (Fall 2024)	Mieli	3 cr.
LAW 6886	International Human Rights Law (Fall 2024)	Ni Aolain	3 cr.

\*As mentioned, students may use PA 5503, PA 5521, or PA 5803 to fulfill the MPP requirement for a second economics course *or* to complete an MPP Global Public Policy concentration, but courses may not be double-counted to fulfill both.

**Global Policy Faculty**

Ragui Assaad, Professor (on leave 2024-2025)

Steve Andreasen, Visiting Lecturer

Karen Brown, Director, Interdisciplinary Center for the Study of Global Change (ICGC)

Caroline Kraft, Associate Professor

Christina Ewig, Professor

Greta Friedemann-Sánchez, Professor (on leave)

Deborah Levison, Professor

Sheryl Lightfoot, Professor

Carrie Oelberger, Associate Professor

Tricia Olsen, Professor

Heather Randell, Assistant Professor

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