

MASTER OF ARTS IN INTERCULTURAL STUDIES

Mission

To provide rigorous interdisciplinary program in intercultural studies designed to complement academic and professional preparation in a variety of fields.

Admission Information

Admissions requirements

All students, whether degree-seeking or non-degree-seeking, who wish to take MAIS courses must meet the prescribed admission criteria.

Applicants should submit the following to the MAIS office:

- Official transcript(s) showing completion of baccalaureate degree and all coursework previously attempted.
- Official transcript(s) indicating a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale of all undergraduate and post-baccalaureate coursework.
- An official GRE score (Graduate Record Exam)
- A completed Application to MAIS
- Non-native speakers of English must have a minimum score of 560 on the TOEFL

A \$25 application processing fee

Provisional Admission

Students who do not meet the minimum requirements for admission may apply to the Admissions Committee for provisional admission. The committee may request a writing sample and/or interview with the prospective student. The committee may then recommend that the student be admitted on provisional admission status. After successfully completing nine hours in the MAIS program with at least a 3.0 average, the student may appeal to the Program Director for full admission to the MAIS.

Program Features

The curriculum for the program consists of two components, the 27-hour MAIS core curriculum and a 12-hour professional component approved by the program director. The delivery system for the MAIS core is non-traditional and based on a modified cohort model. A group of up to 30 students will pursue each of the nine MAIS courses together. The co-

hort will be divided into study groups of eight to ten students. Prior to the beginning of the semester, students will receive a reading list and assignments for the first course session. Instruction will begin with an intensive three to five-day class meeting with the professor early in the semester. For the second segment of the course, students will meet with their study group on a weekly basis for discussion of research and project development. An MAIS program representative may facilitate these meetings, as the instructor deems necessary. Throughout this period, the instructor may also interact with students through on-line activities or discussions. Finally, the cohort will meet for a second intensive three to five-day class meeting to complete the course.

Graduation Requirements

1. Completion of the 27 hours of required MAIS course work.
2. Completion of a 12-hour professional component approved by the program director.

A minimum grade point average of 3.0 for the required course of study.

Financial Information

520 Organizational Systems of Society (3)

A study of systems encountered across cultures. Emphasis is on the development of skills for the recognition and assessment of systems with a focus on developing strategies for successful in-