



Governance & Global Affairs

MGIMO M.A. program – basic facts





About the program

Governance and Global Affairs

The M.A. program «**Governance and Global Affairs**» provides Russian and international students with the necessary skills for employment in international organizations. The curriculum is designed to offer a vast choice of courses for students who aim to become directly involved in politics, governments, or political organizations. Courses are designed to help graduates embrace their role as global citizens who are willing and able to be part of an international, multicultural environment. The program provides students with profound knowledge of contemporary politics, international diplomacy, governmental and legal systems, economics and international relations, and security, with focus on Russia.

Dr. Andrey Baykov

Vice-rector for Master's and international programmes, Dean of the
School of International Relations



ACADEMIC ADVISOR



IR is the most intriguing and fascinating field of Academic Inquiry



IR is concerned in how sovereign jurisdictions manage their relations in the absence of high authority



We have crafted the curriculum that reflects the diversity of the disciplines: that includes history, normative analysis, economics, methods of enquiry



We seek to expose our graduates to the variety of narratives with the perspective of what do Russian school of IR and applied analysis has to offer to contribute a better understanding of IR



Program Highlights you need to know



Quality and sustainability

The Governance and Global Affairs Program was founded in 2013. The yearly student intake is 20 students. Average intake GPA is 3.6 (out of 4) or 4.7 (out of 5).



Flexible tracks

Partnerships with other universities give the students of the Program extra opportunities to successfully graduate not only with an MGIMO degree in IR but also with a degree from our Partners.



Double degree

Upon graduation, students are awarded two Master's degrees from MGIMO and University of Reading or LIUSS. An option of getting executive MBA from University of Geneva is also present.

Our Faculty



Dr. Irina Bolgova

Associated professor at
the Department of Applied
International Political
Analysis, MGIMO
University

Lecturer

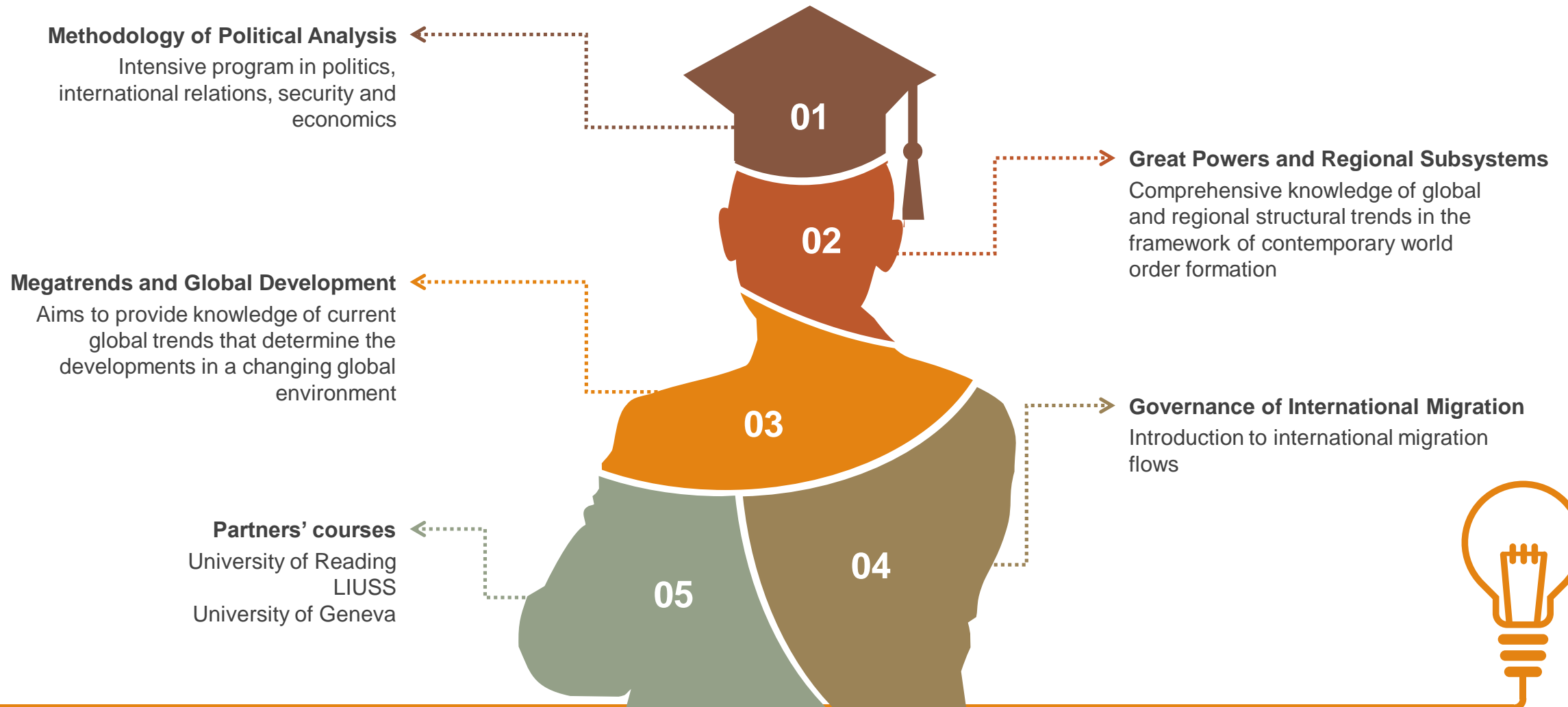


Dr. Igor Istomin

Senior Lecturer at the
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Analysis, MGIMO
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Program Structure



Suggested 2nd Year Tracks

European Studies

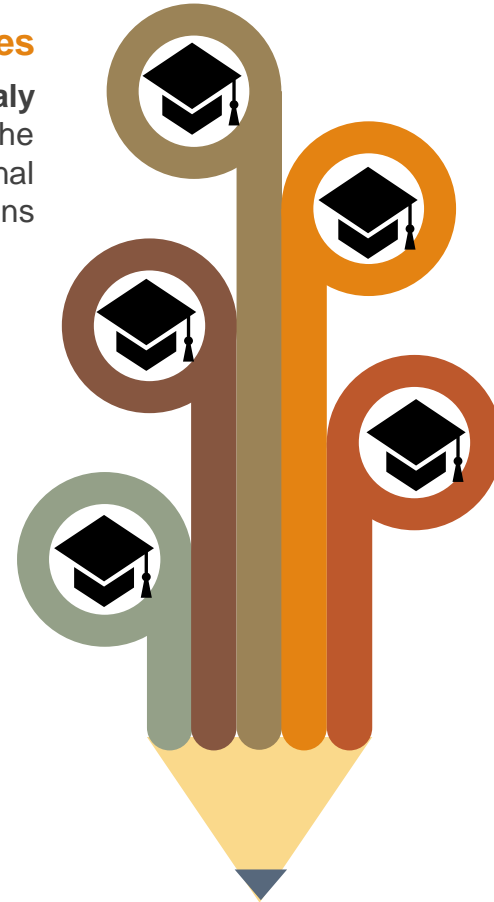
European Liberal Arts Universities — LUISS, Italy
Understanding European social phenomena and the progressive growth of the role of supranational European organizations

Global Studies

European Liberal Arts Universities — LUISS, Italy
Global issues that are markedly reshaping the international political landscape

Relazioni Internazionali

European Liberal Arts Universities — LUISS, Italy
A general overview of IR and history (taught in Italian)



International Security Studies

University of Reading, UK
A global university that enjoys a world-class reputation for teaching, research and enterprise

International Organizations

University of Geneva, Switzerland
Nine-month MBA is great added value for participants of the MGIMO Program



Students about the Program

**Artem Vlasov,
Russia**

"I dreamed to be a doctor, but diplomats are like doctors, they save lives, they prevent bloody conflicts."

**Joyce Kalala,
UK**

"what differs MGIMO from European Universities I have studied to is the competences of the professors which come to teach"

**Zhang Zifan,
China**

"if you want to be a master of the language you're learning, you'd better go to place or country where people speak the language you're learning"

**Silvia Lucibello,
Italy**

"in the end it turned out to be a great experience from the professional and personal point of view"

**Bruno Quadros e Quadros,
Brasil**

"It was a natural choice to opt for MGIMO as the best Russian University to train future Diplomats"



Alumni about the Program

**Sas Jan-Yaap
Netherlands**

*Attache of the Embassy of
the Netherlands to the USA*

I decided to chose MA in Russia because I wanted to know what Russians think like, what is their perspective on Politics and International Relations. And I though I can do it only by coming to MGIMO.

All in all I gained interesting view on International Relations, better understanding of International Economy from Russian perspective and above all I learned a Russian language.

**David KELM
USA**

*Foreign Service Officer, U.S.
Department of State*

Two years at MGIMO immersed me in a wide range of perspectives, from faculty and students alike. Top Russian academics perform most full-time instruction, but guest lecturers included European parliamentarians, American businessmen, former Russian intelligence officers, consultants for McKinsey & Company, and more. Passive participation was not an option!

**Aleksandr Bobrov
Russia**

*Lecturer at
MGIMO University*

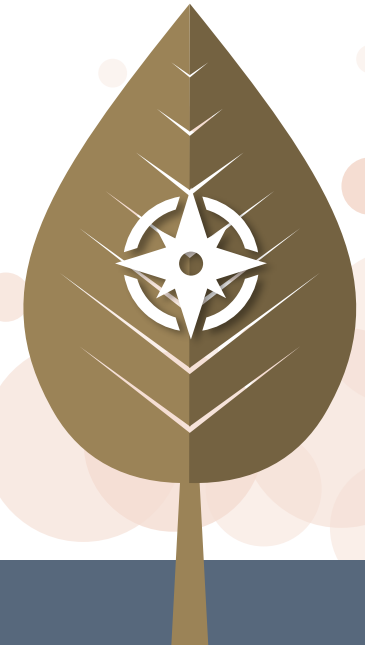
In my humble opinion the mixture of traditions and new approaches in education, such as role games or the United Nations simulation game is our Universities best assert. As a former graduate of the School of International Relations and lecturer at the Department of Diplomacy I can say that our students have thirst for knowledge. You know there is arabic word talib that means both student and demanding that can be said about current students. And we as professors need to meet the demand.

**Dominique Chevolet
Luxembourg**
*Ministry of Foreign and
European Affairs*

The experience at MGIMO University, both academically and humanely, has been very enriching and remains valuable to me to this day. After graduating, I joined the Embassy of Luxembourg in Moscow where my two previous years at MGIMO helped me tremendously in my daily work. MGIMO University turned out to be a great institution to foster my understanding of current events and strengthen the academic knowledge.

**Fahad Al-Faihani
Kingdom of Bahrein**
Ministry of Foreign Affairs

I would always remember my years at MGIMO with great pleasure and gratitude, as it was a life changing and very interesting experience, I have enjoyed each class at the university, also I have met really good professors there, which they really enriched both my academic and knowledge abilities. It was a great chance for me as a Bahraini diplomat and a student to study and learn the Russian point of view of the world politics and global affairs.



HOW TO APPLY: Five easy steps



Select your extras

If the candidates' command of Russian is adequate, during the M.A. academic year they can select additional courses from the courses available to the Russian students of the Master's Program in International Relations and Political Science taught in Russian at MGIMO

Speak some Russian?

Students from countries other than Russia will attend courses in the Russian language — 6 academic hours per week at MGIMO

Check your English

All courses are taught in English

Provide your Bachelor degree

Applicants must have a Bachelor's degree or equivalent; relevance to the proposed field of study is preferred

Choose your track

Students should initially apply for two degrees or just an MGIMO degree and indicate this in their application forms

