



Gain the knowledge and tools to better understand the most important global trends and challenges

Minor Global Affairs

Insights from International Security and International Political Economy

Are you interested in geopolitical shifts in international relations? In the connections between the political, military and economic domains? And how states and other actors can use various instruments to influence global affairs? Then the minor Global Affairs is for you. We will address current situations in international relations and the solutions diplomacy could, or should, provide in a continually changing environment. Lecturers with extensive experience in defense, diplomacy, economics, international organization, politics, and academia will share their knowledge on these issues as they highlight the practical side of global affairs.

What will you learn?

You will follow a balanced package of courses in which theory and practice in this extended field of international relations are combined. We will pay attention to global trends and challenges such as: the shift of political, financial and economic power to the East and its consequences for existing international institutions; climate change; the new role of media in global events; scarcity of energy resources and the commodity markets. The minor will address both inter-state and intra-state conflict, as well as post-conflict nation building.



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For whom is this minor?

This minor programme is taught in English and is aimed at students from all academic backgrounds, as long as they have a keen interest in, and are enthusiastic about, global affairs, international relations, international political economy, international security and diplomacy.

Prof.dr. Antoaneta Dimitrova

Professor Comparative Governance

‘Faced with the need to respond to the return of power politics and war on the European continent, the European Union is becoming a central player in security on the continent whether it is ready for this role or not. What policies and instruments are being developed to enable the EU to achieve strategic autonomy? What obstacles stand in the way of an effective European foreign policy? The minor addresses such challenges and more broadly, the fundamental shifts in global governance, at different levels and with different actors involved.’



Overview programme

Block 1:

- Gateway to Global Affairs
- Media and War
- The European Union as an external power

Block 2: Choose three from:

- Power Instruments
- Geo-Economics
- Terrorism and Counterterrorism: Comparing Theory and Practice
- Governing a Global World
- Peace and Security in Europe

Questions

If you have any questions, please send an e-mail to the coordinator of the minor programme dr. Tom Buitelaar at globalaffairs@fgga.leidenuniv.nl. Scan the QR-code for more information:



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