



Name: \_\_\_\_\_ GW Email: \_\_\_\_\_ GWid: \_\_\_\_\_

Reason: \_\_\_\_\_

I understand that I must complete 40 credits for this Master of Arts degree and I should select courses according to the GC curriculum (available in the University Bulletin) and in consultation with my Program Director.

ENTER TOTAL CREDITS LISTED: \_\_\_\_\_

Course	Course Title	(Credits)Semester	Course	Course Title	(Credits)Semester
<b>Required Core Courses (15 credits)</b>			<b>Electives (9 credits)</b>		
SMPA 6241: Research Methods (Fall Only; *1st Semester)	( ) _____		_____	( ) _____	
SMPA 6210: Media and Foreign Policy (Fall only)	( ) _____		_____	( ) _____	
IAFF 6101: IA Cornerstone (Fall Only; *1st Semester)	( ) _____		_____	( ) _____	
	( ) _____				
<i>PLUS One of the following courses:</i>	( ) _____				
<b>Area of Specialization (9 credits)</b>			<b>Language Requirement</b>		
Area Title: _____			Language: _____		
_____ ( ) _____			Method of Completion: _____		
_____ ( ) _____					
_____ ( ) _____					
_____ ( ) _____					
			<i>Full descriptions of each method of assessment available online.</i>		
			Target Completion Semester: _____		
			<i>*I understand that I must complete the language proficiency requirement via one of the above methods to receive my degree.</i>		
			<b>INITIALHERE:</b> <input type="text"/>		
<b>Skills Courses (3 credits)</b>			<b>Capstone (4 credits total)</b>		
_____ ( ) _____			IAFF 6898: _____ (2) _____		
_____ ( ) _____			IAFF 6899: _____ (2) _____		
_____ ( ) _____					
<b>Thesis (6 credits)</b>			<i>With approval from your Program Director, a thesis may be completed in addition to the capstone. In consultation with your Program Director, you can adjust the number of credits in the non-core fields of your curriculum to accommodate the 6 credits of thesis research.</i>		
			IAFF 6998 (3 cr.): _____		
			IAFF 6999 (3 cr.): _____		

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_



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**CAREER GOALS**

What goal or dream brought you to Elliott?

What is your goal immediately after graduation?

What is your long-term career goal?

What organizations interest you?

What are two challenges that you might face in reaching your career goals (i.e. security clearances, financial needs, visa requirements)?

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_

What are three things that you aim to get out of your graduate school experiences (i.e. skills, international experience, foreign language, connections, etc.)?

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_

**SKILLS ASSESSMENT**

List your top three current professional skills and abilities.

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_

How do you envision utilizing these skills/abilities in your future career?

List any current foreign language abilities and the proficiency level.

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What can you do to start building the language proficiency needed for your career? (If language proficiency is not required for your program, please write N/A.)

**ACADEMIC PLAN**

Briefly explain how your chosen academic concentration(s) or specialization(s) connect to your career goals.

**CAREER STRATEGY**

What are 1-2 action steps you will take to help you move towards achieving the goals you've outlined above?