



# Political Science VISP Program – SUMMER 2020

As a participant, you will be given the option to choose between two curated tracks, each with one rigorous upper-level three credit course.



## Track I: International Development & Cooperation

- Explore the political, economic, and social challenges of international development
- Compare regions including Asia, Africa, the Middle East, and Latin America
- Gain in-depth understanding of domestic & international institutions
- Learn to think critically about development theory & practices



## Track II: Political Economy, Philosophy, and Politics

- Explore “openness”: international trading strategies, migration and open borders, the politics of free speech, and censorship
- Read both contemporary and classic literature from economics, philosophy, and political science
- Engage in the intensive study of the philosophical, economic, and political dimensions of “openness”

## Eligibility

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- Non-native speakers of English and those who have not recently studied at a university where English was the language of instruction must provide scores at or equal to the following:

o TOEFL: minimum of 80 (iBT)/550 (PBT)

o IELTS: Minimum of 6.5

### Undergraduate Students:

- At least one semester of college/university study and minimum GPA equivalent to a 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.

### Graduate and Dissertator Level Students:

- Graduate level students have completed an undergraduate degree and may or may not have started a graduate program

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## Student Life at UW-Madison

Students will be fully immersed in the classroom setting of US higher education. They will have full access to all academic and student support services: libraries, computer labs, clubs, and athletic facilities. They will also enjoy opportunities to participate in VISP-sponsored social and cultural events\*. Upon completion, students will receive an official UW-Madison transcript.



\*activities may be adjusted to reflect preferences of participants