



SIT SCHOOL FOR
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GRADUATE PROGRAMS

CHANGING THE WORLD
BY DEGREES



FULL-TIME
GLOBAL PROGRAMS

ONLINE
DOCTORAL PROGRAMS

CERTIFICATES

GROUNDED IN EXPERIENTIAL
LEARNING SINCE 1932

**New Doctoral
Programs!**

International Relations (PhD)
Sustainability (PhD)

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A smiling woman with dark hair, wearing a patterned top, is looking towards the camera. In the background, a chalkboard is visible with some faint writing on it.

SIT'S GLOBAL CAMPUS

As the only U.S.-accredited university tied to an international NGO, School for International Training (SIT) prepares you to bring a global dimension to your career and make an impact in today's world. We are headquartered in beautiful southern Vermont, where SIT began more than 60 years ago as one of the first training centers for outbound Peace Corps volunteers. Today, our global campus comprises nearly 40 learning centers in 29 countries where we provide comparative undergraduate and graduate education.

At the nexus of all SIT programs is a set of seven Critical Global Issues that scaffold our interdisciplinary and inter-global studies. SIT's world-class faculty and staff have deep ties to the institutions, communities, and countries where they live, teach, research, and practice, and our curricula are developed and continually revised through a decolonized lens.

SIT's global master's and doctoral programs are grounded in experiential learning pedagogy, which takes our learning communities from theory and discussion to practice and reflection and back, to rebuild theory and map relevant solutions.

Whether your goal is to work in the United States or abroad, SIT prepares you to become a critical thinker who sees the complexities of a global system, a professional with the skills to collaborate and innovate across diverse environments.

FLEXIBLE DEGREE FORMATS

Our full-time global and part-time online programs take a comparative approach to real-world challenges. You will benefit from small, personalized student cohorts; direct access to faculty, advisors, and practitioners with deep ties to their institutions, communities, and countries; and supported research and practicum opportunities around the globe.

FULL-TIME GLOBAL MA PROGRAMS bring you to at least two distinct locations for a comparative perspective on critical global issues. Assess the challenges, successes, and vastly different perspectives of communities and organizations through a comparative, experiential framework. Complete your final practicum semester with an organization responding to a specific challenge in the location of your choice.

ONLINE DOCTORAL PROGRAMS let you advance your career while staying in your job and community. Build important bonds with your cohort and professors during two in-person residencies.

ACCREDITATION

School for International Training, the academic institution of World Learning, is accredited by the New England Commission on Higher Education, Inc. (NECHE). Inquiries regarding the accreditation status by NECHE should be directed to SIT administrative staff. Individuals may also contact:

Commission on Institutions of Higher Education

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SIT has been approved to participate in the National Council for State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements (NC-SARA).

Please note that SIT will make every effort to maintain its programs as described. To respond to emergent situations, however, SIT may have to change or cancel programs. Please see the SIT Graduate Institute website for the most up-to-date information: graduate.sit.edu



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PROGRAM FRAMEWORK

Full-time Global MAs are one-year programs that begin in the fall on one of our global campus locations. Spring semester takes place at a second global campus location with a vastly different geographic and cultural context. Advance your skills and experience during your third semester with a practicum at an organization in a location of your choice. Complete your program with a capstone project that encompasses your theoretical knowledge in the context of your professional experience.

Doctoral Programs are three- or four-year online programs designed to advance your career as a working professional. Through courses on theory, research methods, applied practice, and professional development, with brief in-person residencies, you will be prepared to create innovative solutions to address the most critical global issues facing communities worldwide.

Commencement is celebrated each August in Vermont. Virtual participation is also available.



THE SIT DIFFERENCE

SIT's U.S.-accredited global campus extends from southern Vermont to learning centers in South America, Europe, the Middle East, Asia, and Africa. Practicums may be done at an organization anywhere in the world.



Worldclass faculty members are teachers, learners, practitioners, researchers, and community members who live and work in the countries where our programs take place.

Our faculty are widely published in their fields.

View faculty publications at libguides.sit.edu/facpub

Decolonized curricula mean you will experience diverse voices and perspectives far outside of those normally found on U.S. college and university campuses.

No GRE required to apply. Our Admissions team takes a holistic approach to applicants' academic, professional, and individual experiences.



Alumni across the globe are working within governments and NGOs; forging solutions to the climate crisis; training language teachers; responding to migration crises; confronting critical health challenges; and rebuilding the field of international education.

Rooted in social justice, our history dates to 1932 with the launch of The Experiment in International Living to help bridge the world's growing cultural divides. In the 1960s, as one of the first training centers for the earliest Peace Corps volunteers, we grew into School for International Training. In the 1970s, we expanded as World Learning, an international NGO with a mission to create a more sustainable, peaceful, and just world.



Shared institutional values between SIT and the Peace Corps remain strong, with many Returned Peace Corps Volunteers choosing to advance their education at SIT. The Peace Corps is one of dozens of partner organizations whose participants have access to special SIT scholarships.

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COMMITTED TO DIVERSITY, EQUITY, INCLUSION, AND ACCESS

We are a globally diverse community of staff, faculty, board members, students, and alumni who believe that inclusive and equitable practices are at the heart of a peaceful and just world. Each of us strives to honor diverse voices and lived experiences, examine our own biases and privileges, actively work to address inequities in our structures, and foster a community of open dialogue. We are committed to acting with accountability, transparency, reciprocity, authenticity, and empathy.



CAREER PATHWAYS

SIT supports you in achieving your professional goals through a combination of independent and interactive services, including career exploration, planning, and coaching. We provide resources for jobseekers on our website, including job boards, podcasts, e-books, blogs, and more.

CAREER EXPLORATION AND PLANNING involves:

- Engaging in self-assessment and reflection
- Exploring career paths
- Developing an action plan
- Honing job-seeking skills

We endorse ImaginePhD, a robust platform powered by the Graduate Career Consortium. This free and confidential career exploration and planning tool:

- Assesses career-related skills, interests, and values
- Explores career paths appropriate to your discipline
- Creates self-defined goals
- Maps out next steps for career and professional development success

CAREER COACHING includes individual coaching in job search strategies and skills. Our career coach assists with:

- Resume, cover letter, and LinkedIn profile review
- Interview practice
- Networking
- Salary negotiations

STUDENT HEALTH, SAFETY & WELL-BEING

SIT's Office of Student Health, Safety & Well-being is a team of professionals fully dedicated to supporting students across a wide range of safety and well-being circumstances. They are available to work directly with you on aspects of your SIT experience such as counseling and mental health support, cultural adjustment, diversity and inclusion, disability support, academic accommodations, international insurance, and more.

SIT is committed to fostering a climate free from sexual- and gender-based discrimination, harassment, and violence. We maintain Sexual Harassment and Misconduct policies to protect and support students. We also provide relevant training and material for in-country staff and have a dedicated Title IX Coordinator. More information is available at: **graduate.sit.edu/title-ix**.

Learn more at: **graduate.sit.edu/student-services**





A FRAMEWORK OF CRITICAL GLOBAL ISSUES

SIT programs are developed within a framework of Critical Global Issues—challenges that cross borders, language, and cultures. We believe that these issues cannot be addressed within a single discipline. Our programs take an interdisciplinary, comparative approach to empower global professionals with the knowledge, skills, and understanding to develop respectful, impactful, and enduring responses.



Climate & Environment

Focus on ecology, biodiversity, and conservation with an emphasis on environmental and social justice.



Development & Inequality

Explore efforts to balance ecological sustainability, economic opportunity, and gender equity alongside the complexities of growth-centric development.



Education & Social Change

Become a reflective professional who advocates for local agency and intercultural communication and support self-empowerment and human potential.



Geopolitics & Power

Examine emergent geopolitical models and hear nuanced perspectives from leading political scientists, diplomats, policymakers, and civic activists engaged in reimagining our futures.



Global Health & Well-being

Explore the potential of Indigenous and new science and technology to support vulnerable populations, and the possibilities and limitations of contrasting health policies.



Identity & Human Resilience

Examine the human condition and the crisis of belonging in an increasingly mobile world where migration is challenging national, communal, and personal identities.



Peace & Justice

Explore how changemakers manage conflict constructively, balance reconciliation and justice, and support post-conflict remembrance and healing.

FULL-TIME GLOBAL MASTER'S DEGREES

Complete your MA in one year as you study a critical global issue through a comparative lens. Witness the challenges, successes, and diverse perspectives of communities on the front lines of a critical global issue and develop your professional skills during a practicum with an organization responding to these challenges.

“Understanding the climate crisis as a social justice issue with intersections between human rights and design is vital in driving my ambitions while also solidifying my knowledge base.”

Emma Vos

MA in Climate Change
& Global Sustainability





GLOBAL MASTER'S CLIMATE CHANGE & GLOBAL SUSTAINABILITY

Examine the climate science and social policies of frontline communities, governments, and NGOs. Prepare for a career that makes a positive change in sectors ranging from climate science, policy, and conservation to journalism, education, and the arts, and from government to private enterprise.



CRITICAL GLOBAL ISSUES

Climate & Environment



DURATION

One year



INSTRUCTIONAL SITES

Iceland

Tanzania



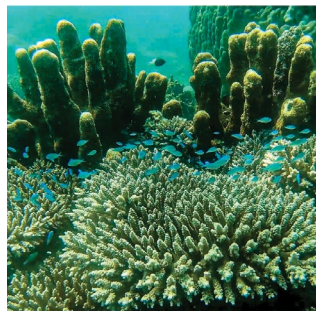
FACULTY RESEARCH AREAS

Climate policy and economics
Livelihoods and adaptation
Carbon cycles
Renewable energy
Sustainable cities
Climate communication
Marine conservation



SAMPLE PRACTICUM SITES

Oxfam America
Office of Climate Change,
Sustainability & Resiliency,
City of Honolulu
Sustainable Food Lab
Asociación ANDES, Peru
Green School International





GLOBAL MASTER'S DIPLOMACY & INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Explore western and non-western perspectives on international and diplomatic relations and examine the complexities of negotiating across cultural, socioeconomic, and political differences. Hone critical skills in leadership, decision-making, problem-solving, and applied research.



FACULTY RESEARCH AREAS

- Multilateral institutions
- International mediation
- Crisis response
- The geopolitics of development



SAMPLE PRACTICUM SITES

- African Centre for the Constructive Resolution of Disputes
- The Carter Center
- The Federal Agency for the Reception of Asylum Seekers
- InterAction
- UN Food and Agricultural Organization

* Program academic excursion



CRITICAL GLOBAL ISSUES

Geopolitics & Power



DURATION

One year



INSTRUCTIONAL SITES

- Washington, DC
- Geneva*
- Vienna*
- Belgrade
- Durban
- Johannesburg*





GLOBAL MASTER'S HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE & CRISIS MANAGEMENT

Refugees fleeing climate disaster, conflict, and persecution have created an unprecedented need for professionals able to respond to crises and wide-ranging humanitarian needs. Gain a global perspective on humanitarian interventions and learn to respond effectively and ethically to crises through field-based learning.



FACULTY RESEARCH AREAS

- Refugee health and well-being
- Art therapy
- Psychosocial support
- Sociology of development
- Pharmaceutical psychiatry



SAMPLE PRACTICUM SITES

- Save the Children
- Higher Population Council
- Jordan Hashemite Fund for Human Development

* Program academic excursion



CRITICAL GLOBAL ISSUES

Identity & Human Resilience



DURATION

One year



INSTRUCTIONAL SITES

- Jordan
- Turkey*
- Morocco





GLOBAL MASTER'S INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION

Experience diverse cultures and educational systems as you gain skills in leadership, evaluation, policy analysis, research, educational practice, intercultural communication, and program design and implementation to build a successful career as a socially conscious international educator.



FACULTY RESEARCH AREAS

Environmental, gender, cultural, Indigenous education

Quality and equity in global education

Professional development/ leadership

IE in secondary, community college, tertiary, non-formal contexts



SAMPLE PRACTICUM SITES

Spanish Studies Abroad

SIT/Fulbright-Hays Group Project Abroad

Rivers to Ridges, Canada

Northeastern University, Greece

Strathean Retreat Centre, New Zealand

Umbra Institute, Italy



CRITICAL GLOBAL ISSUES

Education & Social Change



DURATION

One year



INSTRUCTIONAL SITES

Spain

Morocco*

Nepal



* Program academic excursion



GLOBAL MASTER'S SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT PRACTICE

Through experiential, place-based learning, this program prepares you to become a systematic, cross-cutting, interdisciplinary thinker and practitioner committed to sustainable and ethical community development. You will develop skills in research, design and implementation, management, and monitoring and evaluation.



FACULTY RESEARCH AREAS

- Sustainable livelihoods
- Integrative community development
- Agricultural and food system resilience
- Leadership decision-making



SAMPLE PRACTICUM SITES

- Radix Ecological Sustainability Center, New York
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Alaska
- REACH Trust, Malawi
- Fundacion Ambiental y Recursos Naturales, Argentina



CRITICAL GLOBAL ISSUES

Development & Inequality



DURATION

One year



INSTRUCTIONAL SITES

- Ecuador
- Malawi
- South Africa



ONLINE DOCTORAL DEGREES

Designed for working professionals, our doctoral programs include two in-person residencies.

“The EdD program is incredibly well-designed, with coursework that efficiently develops the skills you need as a scholar of global education. It combines intellectual challenge, practical tools, and a supportive community. The program allowed me to gain the perspective and confidence to identify new professional goals and the experience and credentials to pursue those goals.”

Dr. Adeline DeAngelis

EdD in Global Education alumna, 2024



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ONLINE DOCTORATE (EdD) GLOBAL EDUCATION

With knowledge of foundational theories in comparative and international education and rigorous research skills, you will join a community of scholars and practitioners making meaningful contributions to education equity around the world.



CRITICAL GLOBAL ISSUES

Education & Social Change



DURATION

Three years



INSTRUCTIONAL SITES

Online
Vermont



FACULTY RESEARCH AREAS

Education access, quality, and equity for marginalized populations

Professional development and leadership

Understanding the cultural/social other

Social dynamics of schooling and refugee inclusion policy

Decolonizing knowledge systems in IE



SAMPLE DISSERTATIONS

Whole human pedagogy for education abroad

Language use practices and language ideologies in Ecuador





ONLINE DOCTORATE (PhD) INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Online courses on forced migration, peace and conflict studies, global governance, and human security prepare you to lead complex projects and influence policy and practice through original research. Featuring professors, advisors, and diplomats from across the globe, this program is also enriched by two 10-day international residencies.



CRITICAL GLOBAL ISSUES

Geopolitics & Power



DURATION

Four years



INSTRUCTIONAL SITES

Online
Belgrade
Amman



FACULTY RESEARCH AREAS

The politics of forced migration and refugee resettlement

Third-party intermediaries in intractable conflicts

Social movements and political change

Memory politics and memory activism

Identity, conflict, and violence



HALLMARK COURSES

Global Governance and Human Security

Forced Migration and Humanitarian Response

Seminar in Peace and Conflict Studies

Quantitative and Quantitative Research Methods





ONLINE DOCTORATE (PhD) SUSTAINABILITY

With skills in research, organizational leadership, policy development, and communication, you will be prepared to lead multi-stakeholder groups as an effective communicator in policy circles, academic and organizational contexts, and popular science. This program is complemented by two 10-day international residencies that transition you from theory to hands-on exploration.



CRITICAL GLOBAL ISSUES
Climate & Environment



DURATION
Four years



INSTRUCTIONAL SITES
Online
Portugal
Tanzania



FACULTY RESEARCH AREAS

Sustainable livelihoods and adaptation
Integrative community development
Agricultural and food system resilience
Tropical agroforestry
Marine conservation
Climate policy and economics



HALLMARK COURSES

Case Studies in Climate Change and Sustainability
Integrative Biodiversity Conservation
Analytical Tools and Methods in Sustainability Studies





CERTIFICATES

Learn more at: graduate.sit.edu/certificate-programs



TESOL

Gain specialized training and skills for a successful career teaching English as a second or foreign language. Accredited by SIT Graduate Institute and administered by licensed training centers around the world, with certification provided by World Learning, the SIT TESOL Certificate brings the recognition and prestige associated with a leader in the field.



Professional Certification in Education Abroad

SIT and The Forum on Education Abroad offer joint credentialing for The Forum's Professional Certification in Education Abroad for students and professionals who want to certify their knowledge and expertise in the practice of education abroad. The program is structured around The Forum's Standards of Good Practice for Education Abroad.

SIT students can elect to take one to three elective courses of one credit each. With advance registration, successful completion of the three credit sequence will result in awarding of The Forum's Professional Certification in Education Abroad.

Please visit SIT Graduate Institute (graduate.sit.edu) and The Forum on Education Abroad (forumea.org) for details.

ADMISSIONS

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At SIT, our admissions process embraces a comprehensive perspective. We evaluate applicants through a holistic lens, considering personal characteristics, contextual insights, experiential backgrounds, and academic achievements. We consider each prospective student as an individual and assess their potential for success and growth at our institution, as well as their capacity to contribute to peer learning and society at large. We do not require the GRE exam for admission.

Our admissions staff provide personalized assistance, ensuring individual support from your initial inquiry to the moment you enroll in our programs. Moreover, we offer the opportunity to connect you with our Graduate Institute Ambassadors who are SIT Graduate students and alumni eager to share their experiences and insights with future students.

You can get to know SIT through webinars and events that we host on campus and in cities near you. We participate in graduate school events and other conferences throughout the year. Please stop by our booth so we can answer your questions about graduate studies.



FINANCIAL AID

SIT Graduate Institute is committed to providing financial aid to as many students as possible and to ensuring that you have the information you need to successfully access funding for your graduate education. We offer grants and scholarships based on several criteria, including financial need and demonstrated commitment to SIT's mission.

Among the discounts we offer master's degree candidates are:

- Alumni Advantage: \$10,000 for alumni of The Experiment in International Living, SIT Study Abroad, and SIT International Honors programs
- SIT Partners Award: \$10,000 discount available to employees of SIT partner institutions

For more information on SIT's financial aid programs, including all scholarships, grants, and federal student loans, please visit:

graduate.sit.edu/financial-aid

graduate.sit.edu/scholarships

FINANCIAL AID OPTIONS FOR U.S. STUDENTS AND PERMANENT RESIDENTS:

SIT scholarships and grants
Federal Direct Unsubsidized Student Loan
Federal Direct Grad PLUS Loan

FINANCIAL AID OPTIONS FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS:

SIT Scholarships and Grants

AFFILIATIONS

PARTNER SCHOLARSHIPS

SIT Graduate Institute partners with many educational institutions and nonprofits to highlight our visions and shared values. Contact an SIT Admissions Officer to learn about special scholarships and benefits available for students with connections to these partner and affiliate organizations.



MEMBERSHIPS

SIT belongs to a network of membership organizations that share our social justice values, align with our mission, and help guide our decisions through continual communication and collaboration.



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