1. THE PROFESSIONAL EDGE
Classes are conducted in the form of seminars, whereby students are encouraged to contribute to debates and offer their own professional and geographical perspectives. Students also have the opportunity to enrol in a wide range of professional skills workshops (such as media interviews, presentation skills, negotiation skills, scenario planning or crisis communication), career development workshops and Asian language classes (such as Arabic or Mandarin).

2. REAL PEOPLE, REAL EXPERIENCES
Our students have ample opportunities to interact with distinguished professionals from the diplomatic service, government, the armed forces, the security and corporate sectors by attending seminars, public lectures and other events organised by the school and its research centres.

3. EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING
Our world class faculty members are global experts in their respective fields of specialisation. Alongside their teaching duties, they conduct cutting edge, policy-relevant research in our research centres, which enables them to share the latest developments with the students.

4. FLEXIBILITY
Our students are given the opportunity to select electives from a multitude of options including courses from the other degree programmes at RSIS, as well as subjects taught as part of the MBA programme at Nanyang Business School, the Master of Arts in Contemporary China and the Master of Public Administration at the School of Humanities and Social Sciences, and the Master of Mass Communication at the Wee Kim Wee School of Communication and Information.

5. COSMOPOLITAN STUDENT BODY
Each year, our students hail from up to 40 countries around the globe and from very diverse academic and professional backgrounds. Around 40 per cent of them are Singaporeans while the others come from anywhere around the world that you can think of, including China, India, Nepal, Japan, South Korea, Indonesia, Thailand, Uzbekistan, the US, Canada, the UK, Norway, Iceland or Colombia, to name a few examples.

6. OUR GLOBAL REACH
RSIS has more than 2,000 alumni from 70 countries, comprising government officials, military officers, entrepreneurs, academics, researchers, media and public relations professionals, consultants and investment bankers, amongst others.

7. SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
All our students are eligible for scholarships and other forms of financial assistance and a good number of them receive funding.

8. OUR POSITIONING AT THE CUTTING-EDGE OF POLICY RELEVANCE THROUGH OUR RESEARCH CENTRES
Our faculty members and in-house researchers share the results of their frontier research with the students, who also benefit through the opportunity to get involved in research projects themselves.

9. OUR REPUTATION
RSIS is a graduate school of NTU, ranked #1 in Asia and #11 in the world in the QS University Rankings 2018 in Asia and #11 in the world in the QS University Rankings 2018. RSIS is also ranked among the top 50 think tanks in the world, in the Global Go to Think Tanks ranking released by the University of Pennsylvania’s International Relations Program.

RSIS Graduate Programmes prepare students to respond to current global challenges by equipping them with comparative and critical perspectives, historical analogies, theoretical frameworks for ordering complex data and the critical thinking skills needed to succeed. Our graduates go on to apply the knowledge they acquired at RSIS in a variety of fields including media, public relations, finance, consulting, research, academia, security, diplomacy, policymaking and the non-profit sector amongst others.

“At RSIS, we offer a rigorous professional education in international affairs with a strong practical emphasis. Since our first masters programme was established in 1998, we have attracted exceptional students from diverse backgrounds and professions. Besides being a graduate school, RSIS is also a think tank which houses several Research Centres. This, together with numerous conferences, workshops and seminars organised by RSIS, gives our students the unique opportunity to actively participate in research and networking activities as well as to be taught by faculty who are involved in cutting-edge, policy-relevant research.

With students at the centre of everything we do, we aim to enable our graduates to make a difference to society.“

RSIS has opened up new perspectives for me to help me understand politics and world affairs in a different way. Their state-of-the-art policy research capabilities have helped me make better business decisions.

Philip Ee
MSc in Strategic Studies
Managing Director (Special Projects), Surbana Jurong

Studying at RSIS was a very good decision. It gave me a head start in my field, and opened my eyes to the complex realities of the world, helping me understand it a little better.

Ishika Mookerjee
MSc in International Political Economy
Asia Reporter, Citywire

GRADUATE PROGRAMMES

- MSc (Asian Studies)
- MSc (International Political Economy)
- MSc (International Relations)
- MSc (Strategic Studies)
- NTU-Warwick Double Masters Programme
- PhD Programme

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## Master of Science (Asian Studies)

- **Duration**: 1 year (full-time) OR 2 years (part-time)
- **Curriculum**
  - Comparative Politics of Asia
  - International Human Rights Law
  - Terrorism, Intelligence and Homeland Security
  - Cybersecurity Law and Cyberterrorism
- **Core Courses**
  - A Globalising China in the World Economy
  - Energy and Environment Issues
  - Introduction to the Political Economy of Southeast Asia
  - Political Risk Analysis
- **Elective Courses**
  - Students can choose from a wide range of options including courses from the other MSc programmes at RSIS, as well as subjects taught as part of the MBA programme at Nanyang Business School, the Master of Arts in Contemporary China, the Master of Public Administration at the School of Humanities and Social Sciences, and the Master of Mass and Politics | Modern Challenges, Contextualisation & the Qur'an | Dialogue: Inter-religious Thought
  - RSIS MSc students can choose to pursue specialised certificates in the comparative study of religions in plural societies (CRSP) and in terrorism studies (CTS).
- **Certificates**
  - CTS courses: The Analysis of Defence and Security Policies | The Evolution of Strategic Thought | Terrorism, Intelligence and Homeland Security | Countering Religiously-Motivated Terrorism in SE Asia | Jihadist Strategic Thought and Practice | Conflicts in the Digital Age: Information and Cyber Warfare | Selected Issues in Terrorism and Counterterrorism | Intelligence and Peace War
- **International Exposure**
  - Opportunity to participate in the US Foreign Policy Summer Programme at the Elliott School of International Affairs (George Washington University).
- **Scholarships and Study Awards**
  - RSIS offers generous scholarships and study awards for exceptional candidates.
  - All candidates will be considered for research scholarships.
- **Application Period**
  - 1 September – 31 January
  - Please visit [www.rsis.edu.sg/gpo/admissions/how-to-apply/](http://www.rsis.edu.sg/gpo/admissions/how-to-apply/) for detailed information on how to apply.
- **Key Admission Documents**
  - Bachelor Degree (Honours)
  - University transcripts
  - TOEFL / IELTS
  - Resume: 2 essays, 2 references

## Master of Science (International Political Economy)

- **Duration**: 2 years (full-time)
- **Curriculum**
  - Theories of International Relations
  - The relationship between states and non-state actors in a globalised international system
- **Core Courses**
  - The basics of economic analysis with an emphasis on macroeconomics
  - Trade, finance and production networks
  - Key political developments affecting the world economy
- **Elective Courses**
  - Quantitative Methods in the International Economy
  - Introduction to the Political Economy of Southeast Asia
- **Certificates**
  - International Human Rights Law
  - Global Governance
  - Current Topics and Controversies in US Foreign Policy
- **International Exposure**
  - Overseas Fieldwork
- **Scholarships and Study Awards**
  - RSIS offers generous scholarships and study awards for exceptional candidates.
- **Application Period**
  - All year round.
- **Key Admission Documents**
  - Bachelor Degree (Honours): Masters Degree
  - University transcripts
  - GRE
  - Resume: 2 essays, 2 references
  - Research proposal

## Master of Science (International Relations)

- **Duration**: 4 years (full-time)
- **Curriculum**
  - Traditional security issues in the Asia Pacific region
  - The nexus between non-traditional security issues and the use of force
  - Regional geopolitical issues and their impact on regional security
- **Core Courses**
  - Theories of International Relations
  - The relationship between states and non-state actors in a globalised international system
- **Elective Courses**
  - The Analysis of Defence and Security Policies
  - The Evolution of Strategic Thought
- **Certificates**
  - International Human Rights Law
  - Global Governance
  - Current Topics and Controversies in US Foreign Policy
- **International Exposure**
  - Overseas Fieldwork
- **Scholarships and Study Awards**
  - RSIS offers generous scholarships and study awards for exceptional candidates.
- **Application Period**
  - All year round.
- **Key Admission Documents**
  - Bachelor Degree (Honours): Masters Degree
  - University transcripts
  - GRE
  - Resume: 2 essays, 2 references
  - Research proposal

## PhD Programme

- **Duration**: 4 years (full-time)
- **Curriculum**
  - Theoretical and empirical skills in international and strategic studies
  - Insights into the multiple and cross-disciplinary influences affecting contemporary public and private decision-making
- **Core Courses**
  - The Analysis of Defence and Security Policies
  - The Evolution of Strategic Thought
- **Elective Courses**
  - The same core courses as for the other masters programmes depending on the specialization chosen by the student
- **Certificates**
  - Specialisations in Strategic Studies, International Relations or International Political Economy
  - Development of theses that address real-world policy problems and challenges
- **International Exposure**
  - Overseas Fieldwork
- **Scholarships and Study Awards**
  - RSIS offers generous scholarships and study awards for exceptional candidates.
- **Application Period**
  - Apply by 31 July for the January intake.
- **Key Admission Documents**
  - Bachelor Degree (Honours): Masters Degree
  - University transcripts
  - GRE
  - Resume: 2 essays, 2 references
  - Research proposal

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**Tuition Fees**

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1. Fee information is accurate at time of print (AY2019/2020) and is subject to change each academic year. For the latest information, please refer to the Graduates Programmes website at [www.rsis.edu.sg/gpo/](http://www.rsis.edu.sg/gpo/).
2. Eligibility Guidelines for the Ministry of Education (MOE) Tuition Fee Subsidies: applicants who have previously enjoyed an MOE subsidy in a graduate programme will not be eligible for subsidised fees for a graduate programme at the same or lower level.
3. Applicants are strongly encouraged to tailor their Research Proposals to fit into one of the three PhD programme specialisations on offer at RSIS, namely, International Political Economy, International Relations or Strategic Studies. Applicants are also advised to identify faculty members whom they would wish to have as their primary supervisor. Detailed faculty profiles are available at [www.rsis.edu.sg/gpo/staff-profiles/](http://www.rsis.edu.sg/gpo/staff-profiles).