



**FACULTY  
OF HUMANITIES AND  
SOCIAL SCIENCES**



# **WORLD POLITICS CONCEPTUAL FOUNDATIONS AND INTERCULTURAL INTERACTION**

**WITH COMPLUTENSE UNIVERSITY OF MADRID, SPAIN**

**M.A. IN IR**



## PROGRAM ADVANTAGES

- ✓ High quality education. Complutense University of Madrid ranks first among Spanish universities in most national rankings and is among the top 250 best world universities (QS-Ranking).
- ✓ Obtaining two diplomas (Russia and Spain).
- ✓ Improvement of foreign languages, including professional communication (teaching in a foreign language in an environment of multiculturalism and multilingualism).
- ✓ Mastering two scientific schools at the best universities of both countries (Russia and Spain). Access to international theoretical and applied knowledge.
- ✓ Creation of the professional international circle of communication.
- ✓ Expanded employment opportunities both in Russia and Spain, Europe and worldwide. Graduates of this program work in the central office of the Russian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Russian embassies and consulates in other countries, in diplomatic institutions of a number of foreign countries, in international organizations, commercial structures, research centers, higher educational institutions of Russia and foreign countries.



- ✔ A competent combination of theory and practice, which allows gaining the experience necessary for successful work as a specialist in the relevant field. The Spanish syllabus is characterized by a high percentage of practical assignments and teamwork of small research groups.
- ✔ Gaining a cultural experience in Spain and learning about its traditions, which helps to better understand Spanish national identity and European mentality in general.



# STUDYING PROCCCESS

**120 ECTS credits.**

**Lectures, workshops and self-study, several internships.**



## MEGATRENDS AND GLOBAL ISSUES

- Establishment of a new structure of international relations and a new international order. Features of globalization in the 21st century.
- Regionalization as a trend in world development.
- Democratization processes as a factor in the global problems of our time.
- Evolution of the centrist state political system.  
Multiplicity of participants on the modern world stage.
- Legal instruments of world system regulation.
- New risks of international security.
- Demographic shifts and migration of population.
- New environment of international relations (transition from industrial to post-industrial society).



## REGIONAL SUBSYSTEMS OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS IN THE TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY

- Theory and methodology of international relations analysis at the regional level.
- Regional organizations.
- European subsystem of international relations.
- Eurasian subsystem of international relations.
- American subsystem of international relations.
- Asian subsystem of international relations.
- African subsystem of international relations.
- International intergovernmental organizations in the international subsystem.
- Non-governmental organizations in the international subsystem.
- Globalization and regionalization in perspective.



## **CONTEMPORARY FOREIGN POLICY STRATEGY OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION AND INTERNATIONAL CONFLICTS**

- Peculiarities of the development of the world order in the late twentieth century – early XXI century.
- Russia's role and place in the modern world.
- Main stages of Russian foreign policy.
- Classification of terrorism.
- Conceptual foundations of the modern foreign policy of the Russian Federation.
- Interethnic conflicts in the former USSR and peacekeeping activities of the Russian Federation.
- Russia and the Middle East.
- Russia's position on the Palestinian-Israeli conflict.
- Russia and the Middle East (Iran, Iraq, Afghanistan). Russia and conflict situations in Africa.
- Russia and the Balkans.
- The conflict situation in the south-east of Ukraine and Russia's role in its resolution.



## **GLOBAL SECURITY**

- Introduction to international security.
- International security operational models.
- Basic concepts of global security.
- Theories and approaches to security problems analysis.
- New parameters of modern global security.
- Arms control.
- Legal aspects of global security.
- Regional dimension of global security.
- Security problems in the Near and Middle East.
- Problems of security in the Asia-Pacific region.
- European security.
- Formation of Regional Security in the Eurasian Post-Soviet Space.



## **NEWEST TECHNOLOGIES AND METHODS OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS RESEARCH**

- The research process and its ethical principles.
- Creation of a research project.
- Working with documentation.
- Identifying relevant methods for analyzing the research topic.
- Using quantitative and qualitative methods.
- Statistical and measurement methods.
- Interpretation of data obtained.
- Visual representation.
- Explanation of research results.



## **INTERNATIONAL ECONOMICS**

- International economic relations.
- International economic organizations and institutions.
- Macroeconomic indicators.
- External sector: balance of payments and currency exchange.
- International financial system and its regulation.



# STUDENTS FEEDBACK



 **TETERINA LILY, RUSSIA**

“ In 2018, I entered the RUDN dual degree programme with La Universidad Complutense de Madrid. Previously I graduated from the Bachelor’s Degree in International Relations and often wondered how the problems of similar world processes are taught to students in other countries, whether the theoretical part, which is explained to us in Russia, coincides with that of foreign universities. This program allowed me to look at world processes through the eyes of Spanish students. How they understand the world’s crisis problems, how they evaluate the actions of certain politicians, etc. It was also interesting to discuss various international problems with Spanish teachers, in particular those with whom we disagree. The most interesting for me was to study Russian foreign policy in Complutense. In addition, the different approach to teaching at the two universities was also interesting. Spanish teachers gave more group projects, where several students were involved in one analytical work, which was a novelty for me. Since I now know in which direction most Spanish students think about international processes, it helps me during my work, which I probably would not have received if I had not chosen this direction for my Master’s degree (producer of Russia Today en español TV channel). The most attractive thing about choosing a master’s degree was that after defending a master’s thesis in two languages you get a master’s degree in two countries at once and, accordingly, two diplomas.

This is an incomparable experience. We got acquainted not only with the Spaniards’ view of international politics, but also with Spain itself and its inhabitants! We saw how different cultures coexist within the same country (Catalonia, Basque Country and others). During my studies in Madrid I had a chance to do an internship at the representative office of Rossotrudnichestvo in the “Russian Center of Science and Culture in Madrid”, where the work of the diplomatic mission was studied in practice.

I am very glad that I had a chance to study at Complutense University and at the same time at RUDN. The dual degree program is the best option to gain experience from the leading universities of the two countries. I recommend it to those who not only want to get an opportunity to study abroad, but also to become in demand on the international labor market. ”



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 **ANNA PETROVA, RUSSIA**

“ I am a graduate of RUDN and Complutense University Double Masters 2016. After graduation I easily got a rather interesting job - I am an assistant commercial director at a large holding company. We are in constant contact with foreign manufacturers of oil and gas equipment, and here I can benefit from all the rich experience and skills that I have gained from studying in Madrid!) I easily find common ground with foreign colleagues, because I understand the environment in which they themselves studied as professionals! It is easier for me to understand how they build their business and how they set priorities. At the same time, I have an excellent understanding of our Russian realities, so when I have bilateral contacts I understand both sides, which helps me in my work and hopefully will be one of the key factors in the future development of my career. I highly recommend that all bachelor graduates take the chance to go to Spain for a double master's program! This is not only a very serious contribution to your professional future, but also new friends from all over the world, an unforgettable period of student life in Europe and a really great push for self-development and worldview expansion. ”



# ACADEMIC DIRECTOR OF THE PROGRAMME

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PhD in Philological Sciences, associate Professor of the Department of foreign languages, head of the Spanish section.

Author of more than 70 publications, including in peer-reviewed Russian and foreign scientific journals (VAK, SCOPUS, Web of Science).

20 years of teaching experience at RUDN.

Coordinator of international programs of the Peoples' Friendship University of Russia with Spain, initiator and Academic Director of the first Dual master's and Double postgraduate / doctoral programs between Russia and Spain.