

# Master of International Relations and Diplomacy (MIRAD)

## College of Arts



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WORLD'S  
BEST  
CHOICE**

### Key facts about the programme

- 1 Engaged senior staff and leading professional mentors.
- 2 Field trip featuring meetings with senior figures in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, a variety of Embassies and High Commissions, and the Prime Minister.
- 3 Features independent specialist policy research.



### What does this programme cover?

This degree studies the European Union (EU) in the global context, with a special focus on the Asia-Pacific region. Master of European Union Studies (MEuro) participants will analyse the EU's global role in terms of foreign policy, development, external perceptions, human rights, trade and multiculturalism. MEuro is:

1. The only programme of its kind in Australasia, and is co-funded by the European Commission.
2. Participants can benefit from the expertise, staff and resources that exist within the National Centre for Research on Europe (NCRE), New Zealand's only research centre devoted to the study of the European Union.
3. The core courses are research-informed by the NCRE's internationally acknowledged research projects and published works.
4. Diplomatic interships can be included as course work modules.

### What are the entry requirements?

Admission requires one of the following:

- a bachelor's degree or equivalent with a B average or better in 60 points of 300-level courses
- a bachelor's degree and evidence of relevant professional or other work experience
- approved by the Programme Director and the Dean of Arts
- International students please refer to the admission requirements <https://checkwhatyouneed.canterbury.ac.nz/home>

You must have one of the following English language requirements:

English	Overall	Lowest Band
IELTS	6.5	6.0
TOEFL	90	19 writing
Pearson	58	50 communicative skills

### AT A GLANCE

#### Start Dates

February

#### Months to Complete

MIRAD ..... 12–18 months

#### Features

Field Trips ..... Yes  
Professional Mentors ..... Yes

#### Tuition Fees\*

MIRAD ..... \$39,000

#### Scholarship

For more information on scholarships go to [www.canterbury.ac.nz/get-started/scholarships/](http://www.canterbury.ac.nz/get-started/scholarships/)

\*The price (tuition fee) is indicative for 2020.



‘UC facilities and open spaces are big and have plenty of places to sit and to self-study. The environment around the campus is quiet and peaceful that we can fully concentrate on our studies. UC has many international students and is full of diversity. Lecturers, professors, staff, and students are very friendly and supportive.’

**Raksmey Meas – Cambodia**  
Master of International Relations and Diplomacy



‘UC was my uni of choice because of the program structure for the master’s program where students have to do both coursework and research. Master’s students benefit from the theoretical knowledge shared in the courses and acquire higher research and academic writing skills.’

**Farahiah Aminuddin – Malaysia**  
Master of International Relations and Diplomacy

## What careers can this lead to?

Graduates have a versatile set of skills that can be applied in a wide range of exciting careers both within politics and international relations (international, national and local political institutions, such as the UN, humanitarian intergovernmental organisations, parliaments, city councils) and in more diverse areas such as law, business, education and journalism.

## Average starting salary

\$50–68,000 with masters degree.

## Average salary by year 5

\$70–100,000 with masters degree.

*Salaries range depending on the organisation, region and expertise. They are indicative of the New Zealand job market at the time of publication and should only be used as a guideline.*

## Enrolment information

### How to apply

Apply online through myUC:  
<https://myuc.canterbury.ac.nz>

### When to enrol

Applications need to be made in October the year prior to study. Late applications may be accepted.

### Who to contact

College of Arts  
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[www.arts.canterbury.ac.nz](http://www.arts.canterbury.ac.nz)

## Important information

Refer to our website for more information on:

- University of Canterbury
- Christchurch as a study destination
- Student visa and insurance

[www.canterbury.ac.nz/international](http://www.canterbury.ac.nz/international)

This information was correct at May 2020.

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### Why New Zealand?

- 1<sup>st</sup> in the world for Social Capital
- 2<sup>nd</sup> in the world for Personal Freedom, Business Environment & Governance
- 4<sup>th</sup> in the world for Natural Environment

### Why Christchurch?

- Largest city in the South Island
- Easy to get around
- Lowest unemployment rate in Australasia
- Strong economy

### Why the University of Canterbury?

- UC is in the world’s top 1% of universities
- POLS is the highest ranked research department in NZ in political science, international relations and public policy according to latest PBRF results.
- Dedicated career and internship department for job searching