



# ST. JOHN'S UNIVERSITY



## ROME CAMPUS

**Master of Arts (M.A.) in Government and Politics**

ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES

**Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.)**

THE PETER J. TOBIN COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

## ST. JOHN'S UNIVERSITY

Since 1870, St. John's University has been responding to the educational demands of a growing, diverse marketplace, meeting the ever-changing academic needs of its students while preparing them for rewarding careers. Through its outstanding faculty, exciting programs, innovative curricula, and state-of-the-art facilities, the University remains on the cutting edge of contemporary theory and technology.

Today, St. John's University offers graduate courses in New York; Rome, Italy; and online.

## ABOUT THE ROME CAMPUS

Established in the Eternal City in 1995, the Rome campus offers students from around the world a rewarding international educational experience. Rome is Italy's center of government, politics, international organizations, and multinational corporations. As a cultural capital, the city offers countless opportunities to explore the arts, including opera, music, theater, and ballet. Its museums, churches, and piazzas are world-renowned. A new state-of-the-art campus, located in the historical Prati area, was inaugurated in 2008.

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[stjohns.edu/campuses/Rome](http://stjohns.edu/campuses/Rome)

**The Peter J. Tobin College of Business**  
[stjohns.edu/Tobin](http://stjohns.edu/Tobin)

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## M.A. Program in Government and Politics (Concentration in International Relations)

You can complete your M.A. degree in Government and Politics, with a concentration in International Relations, fully on the Rome campus. The degree is offered by the Department of Government and Politics—in the Graduate Division of St. John's College of Liberal Arts and Sciences—and accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools and the New York State Education Department.

Through the program, you gain the analytical and research skills necessary to evaluate political issues and to function effectively in today's complex global environment. You become an expert in composing policy briefs and reports, drafting and evaluating project proposals, resolutions, and public statements, as well as completing in-depth evaluations of global events and trends.

### What Can I Do with an M.A. in Government and Politics?

The program prepares you for a wide array of career opportunities. Our graduates have found political and administrative positions around the globe in a variety of fields: the Civil or Foreign Service, the United Nations, a policy think-tank, an international NGO, a major multinational corporation, and dynamic start-up companies. The M.A. degree is also excellent preparation for further graduate study as a doctoral or law student.

### Curriculum: International Relations Concentration

The majority of government and politics courses offered at the Rome campus relate to international relations or comparative politics. The program consists of 11 courses (33 credits).



### Course Requirements

- GOV 205 (Modern Political Research), which must be completed during your first year in the program
- Four courses from the international relations or comparative government offerings
- Two courses from your minor concentration (*American Government, Public Policy and Administration, Political Theory, International Relations, or Comparative Government*)
- One course in political theory
- Remaining three courses in any government and politics field

### Comprehensive Examination

Whether you elect the thesis or non-thesis option, you are required to complete a comprehensive examination that will test your knowledge in your concentration.



## Study Options

### Certificate in International Law and Diplomacy

You have the opportunity at St. John's to earn a Certificate in International Law and Diplomacy as a complement to the M.A. in Government and Politics, adding a global dimension to your education. While working toward your master's degree, you can complete the certificate simultaneously by choosing four courses in international relations or comparative politics and two courses in international law or diplomacy. When you graduate you receive both the certificate and your M.A. If you've already received the M.A. degree, you can complete this course work independently. The application requirements for the certificate are the same as for the M.A. program.

### Internship Program

As an M.A. student at the Rome campus, you may apply for internships with various government agencies and international and nonprofit organizations located in the city. We work closely with the UN World Food Programme and International Development and Law Organization. Many of our alumni have consultancies and fixed-term professional posts with these organizations. You receive credit for internships once you've completed at least 12 matriculated credits before applying. The department approves a maximum of three internship credits per degree, and we encourage all students to complete at least one internship while in Rome.

### Thesis/Non-Thesis Option

The Department of Government and Politics offers a thesis and non-thesis option. Both options are 33 credits. Students must meet the above criteria for both options. If they choose to complete a thesis, they must have a minimum of a 3.5 GPA. They must enroll in two consecutive courses of Master's Research (GOV 900) as part of their course degree requirements in place of two GOV courses. In addition, students must present evidence of their knowledge of a foreign language (French, Spanish, or Italian).

## Master of Business Administration

The Peter J. Tobin College of Business has, for almost eight decades, consistently produced principled graduates known for their business acumen, leadership, and vision. In response to a constantly changing multinational business environment, the Tobin College offers programs and insights that enable graduates to successfully chart their way through an increasingly challenging business landscape. Indeed, our alumni have made their marks in all areas of commerce—as entrepreneurs, small business owners, and executives in both the for-profit and not-for-profit domains. Our long and distinguished history of excellence is built upon the needs, interests, and goals of the individual student. The College is at the forefront of management in a multinational context, as demonstrated by the global focus of our courses and the University's campus in Rome, Italy.

The Tobin College is a professional school concerned with education in the theory and practice of business administration. It is accredited by the AACSB International—The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business. AACSB International is recognized by the Council on Postsecondary Accreditation and by the US Department of Education as the sole accrediting agency for bachelor's and master's degree programs.

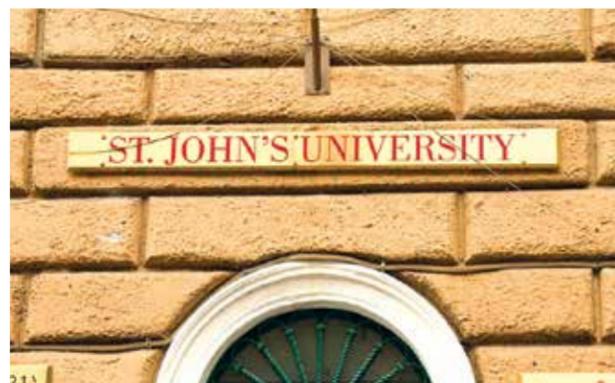
### M.B.A. Concentrations

- Finance
- International Business
- Marketing Management
- Risk Management

The Master of Business Administration requires the completion of 12 courses (36 credits) and can be completed in as little as one year, on a full-time basis.

These courses are divided into the following:

- Eight required core courses .....24 credits
- Three concentration courses.....9 credits
- One capstone course.....3 credits



to complex, real-world business challenges. After meeting with the executives, students work in teams to develop strategic and/or business plans that they present to company executives. EIRP offers the challenge of independent and cooperative research and analysis as well as fostering the development of individual initiative.

### Global Destination Studies Courses

Students in the Global Destination Studies courses examine a specific contemporary topic at their home campus (Rome, Italy; Queens, Manhattan, or Staten Island in New York) and then spend from eight to 10 days abroad to experience the global world of business firsthand. Destinations include countries in Asia, Europe, and Latin America. This program is flexible enough to accommodate both our full- and part-time students.

### London Seminar (FIN700)

Each May, a group of selected students visits London, England, for eight days, where they interact with executives from various financial houses.

### Thesis Option

The thesis integrates academic knowledge and technical skills in a faculty-supervised research task. It provides an opportunity to plan and execute a research project while responding creatively to an intellectual challenge determined by the student's own interests and specialization. The three-credit thesis option is recommended for students with a cumulative graduate index of 3.5 or better.

### Internship Program

Students at the Rome campus are encouraged to participate in for-credit and not-for-credit internship projects. The University has established internships with many multinational corporations and international organizations as well as charitable groups and small, local start-ups (see page 8). These opportunities offer ideal circumstances for the student to apply business skills and knowledge in a real-life context.

### Admission Requirements

Admission to the M.B.A. Program is open only to applicants holding a bachelor's degree from accredited institutions who show promise of success in graduate business studies. Admission criteria include undergraduate grade point average, performance on the Graduate Management Admissions Test (GMAT) or the Graduate Record Examination (GRE), junior-senior grade point average, rank in collegiate graduating class, letters of recommendation, statement of professional goals, and résumé.

## Program Opportunities

### Graduate Executive-in-Residence Program (EIRP)

The Executive-in-Residence Program allows Tobin College students to serve as consultants to actual for- and not-for-profit companies. Reporting to and guided by the companies' senior managers, students seek solutions

## Global Students, Teamwork, and Leadership

In Rome, graduate students from around the world are brought together in an environment that promotes interaction and understanding of different cultures. As organizations employ teams of individuals to seek solutions to problems, the graduate programs in Rome follow this approach by fostering teamwork to examine, investigate, and solve problems. This method hones skills to persuade, encourage, and motivate others. St. John's graduates achieve success because they are trained to work and collaborate in a team-oriented environment led by faculty who encourage research that addresses current issues facing governments and corporations.

## Global Faculty

With smaller than average class sizes, the Rome campus gives students opportunities to learn and interact with the University's professors. They are a mix of senior-level faculty from the University's New York campuses and expert local European faculty who have experience working in the European market (for the M.B.A. Program). Possessing actual business and consulting experience, all professors are dedicated to providing quality education and training.

The faculty have a distinguished record of achievement in research, publications, and teaching that helps keep the University on the cutting edge of pedagogical issues.

## Studying at St. John's Global Campuses

Your St. John's education is designed to offer a truly international perspective. Since required courses are offered at various campuses, St. John's students have the option to spend semesters at different campuses while completing their graduate studies. Rome students are encouraged to study abroad in New York for a semester so that they may participate in an educational and professional experience incorporating both the European and US models.

## Service

At St. John's, service to the community is much more than a one-time volunteer experience; it is a lifetime commitment. Our desire to reach out to those in need is a direct extension of our Vincentian heritage and the mission of the University. We believe that giving back to the community deepens our faith by teaching us lessons that can only be learned through service. The Rome campus works closely with several international charities and organizations. All students are invited to explore

our various service opportunities and our academic and scholarship programs that incorporate service.

## Course Schedule, Time Requirements, and Limitations

Graduate courses at the Rome campus are offered on a one- to two-year cycle, depending on the program. M.A. students who attend full-time and need to satisfy the minimum requirements may complete the program in as little as one academic year, including summer sessions.

M.B.A. students can complete the program in one academic year, including summer sessions. Part-time students may take longer. All course work, research, and examination requirements must be satisfied within five years for either programs.

Rome campus graduate courses are offered in fall, spring, and summer semesters. Each semester is divided into two quarters (seven-week quarters in fall and spring; five-week quarters in summer). Students may enroll in up to two courses each quarter. The graduate programs are designed with working students in mind. Therefore, all classes are scheduled on Monday/Wednesday and Tuesday/Thursday, in the evenings.

**M.B.A. classes:**  
7–9:30 p.m. (7–10:30 p.m. in summer)

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## Rome Campus Facilities

St. John's Rome campus is in the heart of the Eternal City, close to the Vatican and just one block from the Lepanto metro station and major bus lines. Important attractions such as Castel Sant'Angelo, Piazza del Popolo, the Spanish Steps, and Piazza Navona are in walking distance. In the immediate area, restaurants, shopping, cinemas, parks, and gyms are plentiful.

The campus is open to all non-resident students from 8 a.m. to 2 a.m. daily. It is equipped with several classrooms, two large lecture halls, a student lounge, library, computer lab, and a central courtyard open to all students, faculty, and administrators. Wifi Internet is available throughout the building. Along with 24-hour security, a residence director and graduate resident assistants live on site.



## On-Campus Housing

On-campus dormitory housing is available to all graduate students. The dorms, used predominantly for the SJU undergraduate programs, are located on the top two floors of the campus and housed in the same building as the classrooms and administrative offices. While it is not mandatory for graduate students to live on campus, single, double, and triple rooms are available. Each room contains one or more single bed(s), desks, shelves, and closets. There are bathrooms on each floor, in addition to a student lounge equipped with a refrigerator, microwave, sink area, table, and chairs. Two full kitchens are available for use by all dorm students.

## Alumni Network

Rome campus alumni continue to be important members of the St. John's University community. Many alumni have provided consulting opportunities to students, encouraging their companies to recruit our recent graduates for internships and employment opportunities. Many graduates, who often hold high-profile positions, return to campus to give lectures and share experiences with current students.

## International Student Services

The Rome campus becomes home to many international students during their graduate studies. To assist students with life on campus and in Italy, the University offers various types of services to ease the transition. Assistance includes visa and permit processing, program orientation, a housing guide, and referrals to community services and organizations. Most importantly, the administration is available to listen to and help with day-to-day challenges that are part of living in a foreign country.



## Internships — Career Services

The campus has relationships with various international organizations, multinational corporations, and government agencies throughout Rome and Italy. Through these contacts, many internships are offered throughout the academic year. These are some of the agencies and companies that have offered internships to St. John's students:

- APCO Worldwide
- Bioversity International
- Gruppo Energent
- IDLO (International Development and Law Organization)
- KPMG
- UN Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)
- UN International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)
- UN World Food Programme (WFP)
- Embassy of the United States, Rome
- United Service Organizations (USO)
- Save the Children Italia

## Seminar Series: Staying in Touch with the International Community

A seminar series is offered to enhance classroom education and to provide students with an opportunity to network with global leaders. The speakers—from business, government, and nonprofit fields—are selected in collaboration with the students' needs and interests. Lectures are typically offered twice a semester, and are open to graduate students from all programs.

## Scholarships

Scholarship awards are competitive, and are based on scholastic achievement, need, evidence of leadership, work experience, and other personal characteristics that may add value to the academic and social atmosphere at St. John's. Scholarships cover 25 percent of tuition costs. They are generally given to full-time students for the whole period of study, contingent on satisfactory work. To be considered, you must include a scholarship essay (in addition to your statement of objectives) in your application package, as well as our scholarship application, available upon request. Percentage scholarships are not retroactive to the semester of admission, and will only cover tuition from the semester awarded. Students holding tuition scholarships are required to pay the general fees and any other program fees required for specific courses. New fall students also have the opportunity to apply for a one-semester housing award. The cost of a shared room is \$250 for the fall semester only.

## Graduate Assistantships

Graduate assistantships are competitive and are awarded to currently matriculated students who are present at the Rome campus. Full- and part-time assistantships are awarded on a semester basis to qualified students.

These awards are based on academic achievement. Full- and half-tuition remission for up to four classes per semester is awarded, and all students must maintain a full-time study program. The renewal, contingent on satisfactory work, is at the discretion of the University.

## Resident Assistantships

Resident assistantship opportunities are offered to currently enrolled students on a semester basis. RAs work closely with the residence director and live on campus. The part-time position includes assisting with student arrival and departure days, serving as an emergency contact for students, and enforcing campus policies and procedures. Knowledge of Italian is an advantage. Remuneration for work includes a single room on campus and a meal plan.

## US Federal Loans for American Citizens

American students who are interested in studying in Rome are eligible to apply for federal graduate loans through the US government. This process should be started in January, prior to receiving an acceptance to St. John's University. The University deadline for filing the FAFSA application is February 1.



## ADMISSION INFORMATION

Apply to [stjohns.edu/admission/graduate/apply](http://stjohns.edu/admission/graduate/apply)

Please send completed applications to:

**M.A. Program in Government and Politics**  
 Graduate Admission Processing Service Center  
 St. John's University  
 P.O. Box 811  
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### M.B.A. Program

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 The Peter J. Tobin College of Business  
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### Application Deadlines

Since we have rolling admissions, you may apply to any semester; however, we recommend the following deadlines for submitting your application:

Fall Semester: June 1  
 Spring Semester: October 15  
 Summer Semester: March 15



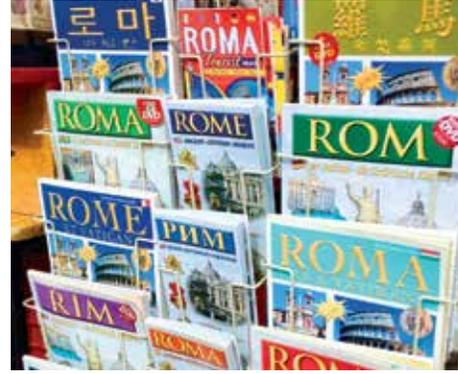
## APPLICATION MATERIALS

- Online application
- Personal statement
- Official college or university transcripts with conferral from all institutions that you attended. Please note that all transcripts must be in English. Official English translations of all academic records that are not in English must be provided.
- Two letters of recommendation in English
- M.B.A. applicants must provide official GMAT (code: JHQ-VQ-11) or GRE (code: 1654) results
- Official TOEFL / IELTS results (Only for students of non-native English speaking countries. Please see list of TOEFL-exempt countries at [stjohns.edu/admission/international/requirements](http://stjohns.edu/admission/international/requirements).) The campus code for Rome is 0132.
- Application fee of \$70 USD (M.A. Program); \$50 USD (M.B.A. Program)
- Résumé





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