

Introduction to the SID Second Year

After completing the first year in-residence requirements, students can select one of five options listed below for the second year:

1. Six-month practicum (international students may spend one month off-site from the practicum organization for visa purposes)
2. Advanced study in residence
3. Concentration
4. Advanced study with a concentration
5. Classroom study at an international partner university with an associated field placement

MA/SID Program: Second-Year Track Options

Option	Year 1: 2018-2019 (All students)	Year 2: 2019-2020 (Each student must complete one of the following options.)	Conclusion (All students)
1	Year in- residence SID required courses and electives (minimum 32 credits, 16 credits per semester)	Practicum: Six months from September–February (24 credits)	Master’s paper, Capstone, and graduation
2		Advanced Study: In residence (minimum 24 credits)	
3		Concentration: Three-month practicum; semester in residence (12 credits for practicum; 16 credits in concentration) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coexistence and Conflict • Gender and Development • Environmental Conservation and Development • Management and Development 	
4		Advanced Study with a Concentration: Three-month summer practicum, year in residence (12 credits for practicum; 16 credits in concentration; 12 additional credits)	
5		Alternative Practicum (24 credits): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • University of Development Studies-UDS, Ghana • São Paulo State University, São Paulo, Brazil Students may also explore alternative practicums at selective partner universities in Asia.	

Heller Summer Institute

The [Heller Summer Institute](https://heller.brandeis.edu/admissions/admitted-students/summer-institute.html) provides information, tutorials, resources, and tools to help new students prepare for their graduate studies and life at Heller. The materials include an introduction to library resources, housing information, Excel and LATTE tutorials, articles related to the development field, among others. The Summer Institute can be accessed via LATTE. Further information about the Heller Summer Institute can be found here: <https://heller.brandeis.edu/admissions/admitted-students/summer-institute.html>

2. Summary of MA/SID Degree Requirements

- Complete 32 credits and all required courses during the first year in residence (18 required credits and 14 elective credits)

Required Courses (2 credits each, unless otherwise noted)

- HS279a Planning & Implementation (4 credits)
- HS266f Introduction to Economics for Development Practitioners
- HS319f Ethics, Rights, and Development, **or** HS210f Comparative Approaches to Global Injustice and Social Inequality, **or** HS250f Dynamics of Intercultural Communications

- HS278f Monitoring & Evaluation
 - HS264f Environment & Development (2 credits) or HS-TBA Climate Change, Biodiversity & Development (4 credits)
 - Environment course from the below list of required options (only if HS264f is taken)
 - Applied economics course from the below list of required options
 - Gender course from the below list of required options
- Complete a program-approved track option in the second year, as defined above (Options 1-5)
 - Complete a master's paper and Capstone presentation (May 2020) focused on a sustainable development problem or issue

Required SID Course Options

To meet their SID required courses, students should choose one course from each of the categories listed below. Each course listed below is 2 credits.

Gender and Sexuality

- HS224f Gender and Environment (if not taken to meet the environment requirement)
- HS283f Gender and Development
- HS223f Gender and Development in the Context of Neoliberalism and Globalization
- HS204f Education, Gender and Development

Environment

- HS224f Gender and Environment (if not taken to meet the gender and sexuality requirement)
- HS282f Environmental Impact Assessment
- HS211f Agriculture and Rural Development
- HS220f Renewable Energy for Development
- HS325f The Right to Water

Economics

- HS221f Measurement of Inequality to Health and Development
- HS214f Environmental Economics and Policy
- HS237f Applied Cost-Benefit Analysis for Development Practitioners
- HS289f Sustainable Economic Development Strategies
- HS422f Cost-Effectiveness