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Master of Advanced Studies in International Affairs (MAS-IA)

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FAO graduates from
the program

34%

of cohort in the
Armed Forces

~50%

of active duty members
receive full funding with
their respective branch



Major Fabiola Castro with Coach Bill Scott

"My dream since my first year at West Point was to become a FAO in Latin America, and thanks to the training I got at GPS, I am soon heading to Honduras to serve as the operations officer for the Security Cooperation Office at the U.S. Embassy there."

— Major Fabiola Castro, MAS-IA 2023,
U.S. Army Foreign Area Officer

A Degree Customized For You

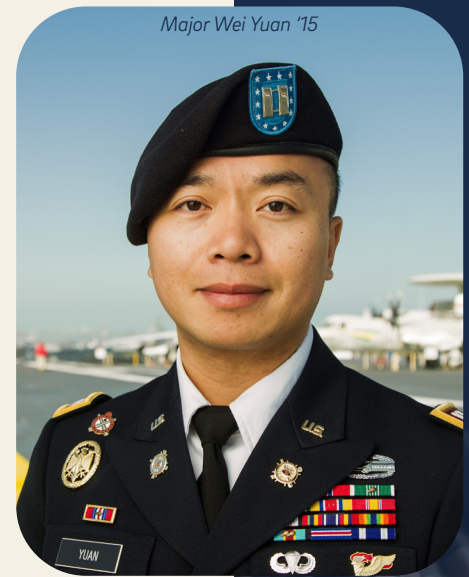
Our degree is designed to include a variety of career tracks and regional specializations to best fit your professional goals.

CAREER TRACK

International Relations
International Political Economy
International Public Policy
Environmental Policy and Sustainability
Security of the Asia-Pacific

SPECIALIZATION

China
Japan
Korea
Latin America
Southeast Asia



Advanced Civilian Schools (ACS)

We are ACS approved for U.S. Armed Forces Foreign Area Officers like you that are specializing in the Americas (48B) and the Asia-Pacific (48P).

With your diverse experience and our unwavering support, you will make a smooth transition back to the classroom. As a professional student, you will have access to UC San Diego's Student Veterans Resource Center, a dedicated academic program staff and career coaches to help you every step of the way.

Funding Your Education

UC San Diego offers a graduate application fee waiver to all U.S. veterans and active duty U.S. military personnel, and GPS offers fellowships for medium and low award FAOs.

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- Bachelor's degree
- Five years of full-time, professional experience
- Statement of purpose
- One letter of recommendation
- Online application

No GRE required!

We're ready to
provide any help
you need.