Challenges such as the complex negotiations on the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership, or the revival of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, or the fight against extremism, must be tackled by a new generation of experts who can assume influential roles in transatlantic affairs. To prepare graduates for such positions of leadership, The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy and the College of Europe -- the world’s first institution of postgraduate studies and training in European affairs -- offer a unique joint degree: the Master of Arts in Transatlantic Affairs (MATA).

Students in the MATA program spend one year on each side of the Atlantic. Both institutions create a community setting, integrating students into a close-knit, multinational, and intercultural learning environment. The first year is dedicated to coursework, including a joint, year-long and project-oriented course on transatlantic affairs. The second year incorporates a high-level internship with a transatlantic focus.

“The MATA program not only enables us to delve into topics like history, legal frameworks, refugee policy, financial crises, and national security, but also gives us meaningful exposure to knowledgeable professors and to experts in the field.”

Laura Schiemichen
MATA 2019, Germany & United States
Semesters 1 & 2
• Spend two semesters completing coursework at the College of Europe
• Complete a subset of courses from one of the following study tracks:
  - Economic Studies
  - Interdisciplinary Studies (Natolin)
  - International Relations & Diplomacy
  - Legal Studies
  - Political & Governance Studies
• Participate via video conference in a joint Fletcher/College of Europe course

Semesters 3 & 4
• Spend one semester enrolled in four courses at The Fletcher School
• Spend the other semester (3-4 months) in the U.S. completing an internship with a transatlantic focus
• Complete a research thesis on a transatlantic affairs topic

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Semesters 1 & 2
• Spend two semesters completing eight courses at The Fletcher School
• Meet the Breadth Requirement by taking one course from each division:
  - International Law and Organizations
  - Economics and International Business
  - Diplomacy, History and Politics
• Participate via video conference in a joint Fletcher/College of Europe course

Semester 3
• Spend the semester (3-4 months) in Europe completing an internship with a transatlantic focus

Semester 4
• Spend the semester at the College of Europe enrolled in a subset of courses from one of the College’s study tracks
• Complete a research thesis on a transatlantic affairs topic

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“The uniqueness of the MATA degree program is the primary reason I was drawn to The Fletcher School. As I was choosing a graduate program, most of my options had strong brand names and extensive alumni networks, but only one seemed tailor-made for my preferences.”

Colin Wall  MATA 2019, United States