

# **INFORMATION FOR EXCHANGE STUDENTS**

2024-2025



## General Information

<b>Institution Name</b>	Georgian Institute of Public Affairs (GIPA)
<b>Mission</b>	GIPA bases its MISSION on raising new leaders who are equipped with modern knowledge and steadfastly loyal to democratic values. In order to achieve these goals, GIPA creates and transfers new knowledge and relevant experience to students in order to enable their active participation in continuing to build democracy, promulgate liberal values and promote freedom for all in Georgia. As a university with a solid presence on the Georgian education market, GIPA is committed to further strengthen its lead position by turning out graduates in possession of high-level academic and professional knowledge while producing and sharing research of international significance, each of which endows the university with the ability to make even greater contributions to the reinforcement of the ideas of democracy and freedom in Georgia.
<b>Major Study Areas</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ School of Government</li> <li>→ Caucasus School of Journalism and Media Management</li> <li>→ School of Law and Politics</li> <li>→ School of Social Sciences</li> <li>→ Research Department</li> <li>→ Department of Rural Development and Vocational Education</li> <li>→ Training and Consulting Centre</li> </ul>
<b>Institution Website</b>	<a href="https://gipa.ge/eng">https://gipa.ge/eng</a>
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### Key Facts

<b>Alumni and employment</b>	10k with employment rate of 75%
<b>International Partnerships</b>	45 exchange programmes and 100+ partner universities across US and Europe.
<b>International Strategic Partnerships with donors</b>	Embassy of USA in Georgia, GIZ, Open Society Georgia, Urban Institute, USAID/Mercy Corps, MSI, USDA, MCC, ERASMUS, NALA, Eurasia Foundation.
<b>Programs</b>	GIPA delivers 12 MA degree programmes; 10 BA degree programmes; 2 PhD programmes (Political Sciences and Public Administration) and Vocational programme in Occupational Health and Environmental Technologies. Together with degree programmes, GIPA serves as a provider of 28 professional training courses.

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## Academic and Practical Information

### Dates for academic year 2024/2025

<b>Autumn semester</b>	Mid of September – End of January (general date, it varies per academic year)
<b>Spring semester</b>	Mid of February – End of June (general date, it varies per academic year)  <b>Note:</b> The courses from the Master Programme in “Multimedia Journalism and Media Management” start after the second half of January
<b>Nomination and Application: Deadlines and Procedures</b>	Nomination deadline: 15 April; Application deadline: 15 May (Autumn semester); Nomination deadline: 15 October; Application deadline: 15 November (Spring semester). Please use the excel sheet to nominate your exchange students at our university. Application procedure: Once the nominations are processed, student/s will receive an application form to be completed and returned by email to Mr. Nikoloz Bakradze <a href="mailto:n.bakradze@gipa.ge">n.bakradze@gipa.ge</a>
<b>Orientation &amp; Welcome Week</b>	Autumn semester: 1 <sup>st</sup> or 2 <sup>nd</sup> week of September (general date, it varies per academic year) Spring semester: 2 <sup>nd</sup> week of February (general date, it varies per academic year) <b>Note:</b> For those enrolled in the courses from Master programme in “Multimedia Journalism and Media Management”, orientation session takes place in the 2 <sup>nd</sup> week of January
<b>Housing options</b>	<a href="https://www.myhome.ge/en/">https://www.myhome.ge/en/</a> <a href="https://gancxadebebi.ge/en">https://gancxadebebi.ge/en</a> <a href="https://place.ge/en">https://place.ge/en</a> <a href="https://home.ss.ge/en/real-estate">https://home.ss.ge/en/real-estate</a>
<b>General info about Georgia</b>	<a href="https://www.visitgeorgia.ge/about-georgia/general-information/">https://www.visitgeorgia.ge/about-georgia/general-information/</a> <a href="http://georgia.travel/">http://georgia.travel/</a> <a href="https://www.tripadvisor.com/Tourism-g294194-Georgia-Vacations.html">https://www.tripadvisor.com/Tourism-g294194-Georgia-Vacations.html</a>
<b>General info about Tbilisi</b>	<a href="https://georgia.travel/en_US/shida-kartli/tbilisi">https://georgia.travel/en_US/shida-kartli/tbilisi</a> <a href="https://www.lonelyplanet.com/georgia/tbilisi">https://www.lonelyplanet.com/georgia/tbilisi</a>

### Household Expenses

**Note:** Household expenses differ from individual to individual, however in the table below several examples will guide you form monthly budget (Prices are indicated for the capital - Tbilisi).

1 Euro = 2.8087 Georgian Lari (As for February 2023; to check exchange rates, please visit <https://nbg.gov.ge/en>)

<b>Housing/rent: Apartment (1 bedroom) in City Centre</b>	1000 - 1500 GEL /month
<b>Food and daily expenses:</b>	600 - 700 GEL /month
<b>Calls from cell phone: 1 min. of Prepaid Mobile Tariff Local (No Discounts or Plans)</b>	0.21 GEL/minute in GE
<b>Call to the Europe</b>	0.88 GEL /minute in the EU
<b>Bus/metro ticket: One-way Ticket (BUS, METRO)</b>	1 GEL/ per ride

## Subjects in English



### *School of Government*

#### Bachelor's program in Business Administration

#	Modules	Semester and ECTS	
		Autumn Semester	Spring Semester
<b>Mandatory General Courses</b>			
1	Business Modeling and Analysis	2 ECTS	
2	Management	5 ECTS	
3	Marketing	4 ECTS	
4	Fundamental analysis of financial markets	4 ECTS	
5	Information technologies in business	3 ECTS	
6	English C1	5 ECTS	5 ECTS
7	Marketing research (Prerequisites: Basics of Marketing)		3 ECTS
8	Financial Markets and Institutions		4 ECTS
9	Business Innovations		3 ECTS
10	Digital marketing		2 ECTS
11	Project management		3 ECTS
12	Financial management (Prerequisites: Financial accounting)		6 ECTS
13	Business laboratory 6 (Prerequisites: Basics of Marketing)		3 ECTS
14	International trade and supply chain management		3 ECTS

#### Master's Program in Environmental Management and Policy

#	Modules	Semester and ECTS	
		Autumn Semester	Spring Semester
<b>Elective Courses</b>			
1	Sustainable Energy Policy		5 ECTS



## ***Caucasus School of Journalism and Media Management***

### **Bachelor's Program in Digital Media and Communications**

#	Modules	Semester and ECTS	
		Autumn Semester	Spring Semester
<b>Elective Courses</b>			
1	PR for international and non-governmental organizations	5 ECTS	

### **Master's program in Multimedia Journalism and Media Management**

#	Modules	Semester and ECTS	
		Autumn Semester	Spring Semester
<b>Mandatory General Courses</b>			
1	Research Methods in Mass Communication	5 ECTS	
2	Writing and Reporting	6 ECTS	
3	Photojournalism	5 ECTS	
4	Analytical and Critical Writing	4 ECTS	
5	Media Law and Ethics	5 ECTS	
6	Media Economics	4 ECTS	
7	Social Media	4 ECTS	
8	Data Journalism	4 ECTS	
9	Podcasting (From January to April/May)		6 ECTS
10	Media Entrepreneurship (From January to April/May)		5 ECTS
11	Advanced Reporting and Writing (From January to April/May)		5 ECTS
12	Bootcamp – Multimedia Communication Techniques (April/May)		3 ECTS
13	Multimedia Storytelling (From April/May to July)		6 ECTS
14	Adv. Video Reporting (From April/May to July)		6 ECTS
<b>Elective Courses</b>		<b>Autumn Semester</b>	<b>Spring Semester</b>

1	Documentary Filmmaking	5 ECTS	
2	Transmedia Production Lab	5 ECTS	
3	Media Organization Management (From January to April/May)		5 ECTS
4	Media Marketing – Building and Reaching Audiences (From January to April/May)		5 ECTS
5	Media Start-up Monetization (From January to April/May)		5 ECTS
6	Media, Nationalism and Democratization	5 ECTS	
7	Mass Communication Theories	5 ECTS	
8	European Media Law	4 ECTS	
9	Media Programming Strategies	4 ECTS	
10	Fundraising (From January to April/May)		4 ECTS
11	Conflict and War Reporting (From April/May to July)		4 ECTS
12	Business Reporting (From January to April/May)		4 ECTS
13	Environmental Reporting	4 ECTS	
14	Elections Coverage	4 ECTS	

### **Master's program in Public Relations**

#	Modules	Semester and ECTS	
		Autumn Semester	Spring Semester
<b>Elective Courses</b>			
1	Environmental Issues, Sustainable Development, and Social Responsibility		4 ECTS
2	PR for international and non-governmental organizations		4 ECTS



## *School of Law and Politics*

### Bachelor's Program in Law

#	Modules	Semester and ECTS	
		Autumn Semester	Spring Semester
<b>Elective Courses</b>			
1	Law of international organizations	5 ECTS	

### Bachelor's Program in International Relations

#	Modules	Semester and ECTS	
		Autumn Semester	Spring Semester
<b>Elective Courses</b>			
1	Nationalism	6 ECTS	

### Master's program in International Law

#	Modules	Semester and ECTS	
		Autumn Semester	Spring Semester
<b>Mandatory General Courses</b>			
1	Legal English/ Legal Writing	6 ECTS	
2	Modern challenges in International Public Law	6 ECTS	
3	Sources of International Law: Theory and Development Practice Pre-Condition (Modern challenges in International Public Law)		6 ECTS
4	International Human Rights Law	6 ECTS	
5	Research Method	6 ECTS	
6	Judicial Ethics	6 ECTS	

Elective Mandatory Courses Thematic Groups :		Autumn Semester	Spring Semester
1	<b>A. Human Rights (Pre- Condition : International Human Rights Law)</b> Legal Skills in International Human Rights Law		6 ECTS
2	<b>A. Human Rights (Pre- Condition : International Human Rights Law)</b> Human Rights Law and Practice : Social, Economic and Cultural Rights		6 ECTS
3	<b>B. International Organizations (Pre-Condition : Modern challenges in International Public Law)</b> Law of Universal International Organizations and their Practice with regard to Georgia		6 ECTS
4	<b>B. International Organizations (Pre-Condition : Modern challenges in International Public Law)</b> Law of Regional International Organizations and their Practice with regard to Georgia		6 ECTS
5	<b>C. International Criminal Law (Pre-Condition : Modern challenges in International Public Law)</b> International Criminal Law in Practice of International Justice		6 ECTS
6	<b>C. International Criminal Law (Pre-Condition : Modern challenges in International Public Law)</b> Use of Force and Prohibition of Aggression in International Law		6 ECTS
7	<b>C. International Criminal Law (Pre-Condition : Modern challenges in International Public Law)</b> International Humanitarian Law		6 ECTS
8	<b>D. European Union Law (Pre-Condition : Modern challenges in International Public Law)</b> European Union Law: Freedom Security and Justice		6 ECTS
9	<b>D. European Union Law (Pre-Condition : Modern challenges in International Public Law )</b> EU Law		6 ECTS
Elective Courses		Autumn Semester	Spring Semester
11	International Treaty Law (Pre-condition : Sources of International Law: Theory and Development Practice)	6 ECTS	
12	International Investment Law	6 ECTS	
13	International Trade Law	6 ECTS	
14	EU Internal Market Law	6 ECTS	
15	International Arbitration Law	6 ECTS	
16	Comparative Contract Law	6 ECTS	
17	International Law of Environmental Protection	6 ECTS	
18	International Private Law and Practical Aspects of International Civil Proceedings	6 ECTS	
19	Comparative Corporate Law	6 ECTS	
20	Comparative Constitutional Law	6 ECTS	
21	Intellectula Property Law	6 ECTS	
22	Internet-law	6 ECTS	
23	Willem Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot	6 ECTS	



24	Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition (Pre-Conditions : Sources of International Law: Theory and Development Practice ; Modern challenges in International Public Law )	6 ECTS	
25	Telders International Law Moot Court Competition (Pre-Conditions : Sources of International Law: Theory and Development Practice ; Modern challenges in International Public Law )	6 ECTS	

### Master's program in International Relations

#	Modules	Semester and ECTS	
		Autumn Semester	Spring Semester
<b>Elective Courses</b>			
1	International Political Economy	6 ECTS	
2	Defense Economics		6 ECTS



## *School of Social Sciences*

### Bachelor's Program in Sociology

#	Modules	Semester and ECTS	
		Autumn Semester	Spring Semester
<b>Elective Courses</b>			
1	Sociology of Education	6 ECTS	
2	Social Inequality Studies		5 ECTS
3	Basics of Sociology		6 ECTS

### Bachelor's Program in Psychology

#	Modules	Semester and ECTS	
		Autumn Semester	Spring Semester
<b>Mandatory and Elective Courses</b>			
1	Introduction to Psycholinguistics		6 ECTS
2	Introduction to Neuropsychology		6 ECTS
3	Psychological Anthropology		6 ECTS
4	Introduction to Resilience Studies	6 ECTS	
5	Cognitive Psychology	5 ECTS	
6	Human Resource Management	5 ECTS	

### Master's Program in Psychology

#	Modules	Semester and ECTS	
		Autumn Semester	Spring Semester
<b>Elective Courses</b>			
1	Psychotraumatology		5 ECTS
2	Organizational Resilience	5 ECTS	
3	Applied Social Psychology	5 ECTS	