Overview

At the George Washington University’s Elliott School of International Affairs, our mission is to make the world a better place. The Elliott School galvanizes global change by educating the next generation of international leaders, by conducting research that advances understanding of global issues and by engaging the policy community in the United States and around the world. The Elliott School produces informed citizens who are exceptionally committed to advancing the common good, and we generate new ideas for addressing the world’s most pressing problems.

The Elliott School is the largest school of international affairs in the United States, with more than 2,000 undergraduates, 750 graduate students and 22,000+ alumni. Our B.A. program in international affairs is the largest undergraduate major at GW and the largest B.A. program in international affairs in the country. The Elliott School sponsors 12 master’s programs. Every year, more than 700 exceptionally talented and engaged students walk across the stage at the Elliott School commencement ceremony and into the world, going on to assume leadership positions in the public, private and nonprofit sectors in more than 100 countries.
Join the Elliott School in Making History

The Elliott School’s strategic priority is to strengthen our human capital and institutional capacities. The Elliott School already has a state-of-the-art building. The next critical step toward the full realization of our potential is to invest in people—faculty, students and our academic communities—providing them with the resources they need to excel and have a greater impact on the international arena.

As the Elliott School advances, it is well positioned to support the priorities identified in GW’s new strategic plan. GW’s Vision 2021 recognizes the growing importance of globalization and global issues, the worldwide need to improve governance and policy, the imperatives of citizenship and leadership and the value of innovation through cross-disciplinary collaboration. The Elliott School will be a flagship in GW’s efforts to advance as a great global university.

The Elliott School has a powerful location and a fabulous facility. We have come far and done much. Even so, we can and must do more if we are to take full advantage of our unique opportunities to educate the next generation of leaders, illuminate global problems and shape international action. You can help us by making a gift that will transform the school and its programs. Your support will have powerful effects on the school’s faculty and students, on our teaching and research and on our ability to make a difference in the world.

Fast Facts

- 22,000+ alumni worldwide
- 250-300 public events held annually
- 2,000 undergraduate students
- 19 international partner universities
- 9 research centers and institutes