Why Fletcher?
The Opportunity to Shape the World

The complexity and turbulence of the 21st century demand internationally-minded professionals with the practical skills and intellectual agility to confront the world's greatest challenges. The Fletcher School's multidisciplinary approach provides an edge to those seeking to make an impact at all levels of government, business, international organizations, and non-profits. Fletcher students graduate with the tools, perspective, and relationships to shape both their careers and the world around them.

“I first came here as a student seeking to know the world. Only Fletcher offers this rich an experience in understanding how global events shape all of our individual lives, and no place offers a more significant opportunity to shape the world.”

Admiral James Stavridis, MALD 1983, PhD 1984
Dean Emeritus of The Fletcher School
Supreme Allied Commander at NATO (2009–2013)
The Fletcher experience is based on a diverse and inclusive community, which is essential for preparing leaders with a global perspective. With over 70 citizenships, Fletcher students represent a wide range of personal, professional, and academic backgrounds. Our students and faculty foster an enriching environment characterized by candid discussions with a breadth of perspectives. Members of our community aspire to be active and responsible global citizens.

At Fletcher, you don’t just earn a degree—you join a close-knit community that supports your goals for a lifetime. Being part of the Fletcher community pays dividends during your time at Fletcher and beyond, leading to professional opportunities and enduring personal connections. The Fletcher family is a global network of more than 9,500 committed, collaborative, and connected students and alumni who are there to support you.
Dedicated and Engaged Faculty
Investing in Students, Influencing the World

Professors at Fletcher are internationally respected leaders in their fields. They are practitioners, researchers, commentators, and expert advisors. They are also instructors, mentors, and colleagues, bringing passion for teaching into the classroom and beyond. Many Fletcher professors actively involve students in their research, writing, and fieldwork. They know what it takes for you to succeed in today’s world, and are genuinely dedicated to your intellectual, personal, and professional development.

Fletcher faculty members are widely involved in shaping the world beyond campus. They frequently advise in both policymaking and private enterprise, expand the boundaries of scholarship, and offer insightful public commentary on current events. Professors are broadly accessible, with many continuing to mentor students well beyond their time at Fletcher.

“With the professors at Fletcher, I feel very comfortable asking questions or sharing contributions in the classroom. The Fletcher faculty is top quality, and I greatly appreciate that they still actively work in their areas of expertise.”

Faith Chepng’etich Biegon
MALD 2018, Kenya

“No matter the subject, there’s almost always a student in the room who has valuable knowledge and experience to share with the class. I’ve found that most classes produce some insight that ultimately influences my own thinking. This synergy between faculty and students energizes Fletcher’s intellectual community.”

Michael Glennon
Professor of International Law

“As a Fletcher student, I learned how to better understand and define the world’s problems. After applying those lessons to a career in international security, I returned as a professor to equip students with the necessary skills to tackle today’s most pressing challenges.”

Michele L. Malvesti, MALD 2000, PhD 2002
Professor of Practice in International Security Studies
A Curriculum That Works for You

Customized Skills for a Complex World

As a professional school, Fletcher offers a flexible curriculum oriented toward practical problem solving. You will have ample opportunity to deepen your existing skills and, through our interdisciplinary curriculum, you will develop new critical analytical skills, underpinned by historical, technical, and cultural knowledge. Fletcher’s three divisions ensure a multidisciplinary grounding in international affairs. You’ll also delve into your interest areas through Fletcher’s 24 Fields of Study. The Fletcher curriculum helps you develop a professional profile that matches your passions and aspirations, and prepares you to thrive in a complex world.

“The flexibility and breadth of the MALD’s curricular structure allows me to deepen my understanding of familiar areas of study while simultaneously building new skills.”

Colin Steele
MALD 2018, United States

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“Fletcher offers a unique opportunity to personalize your educational experience while learning from experts in the field.”

Alejandra Mazariegos
MALD 2016, Guatemala

FIELDS OF STUDY

Business for Social Impact
Development Economics
Gender Analysis in International Studies
Human Security
Humanitarian Studies
International Business and Economic Law
International Business Relations
International Environment and Resource Policy
International Finance and Banking
International Information and Communication
International Monetary Theory and Policy
International Negotiation and Conflict Resolution
International Organizations
International Political Economy
International Security Studies
International Trade and Commercial Policies
Law and Development
Marketing
Pacific Asia
Political Systems and Theories
Public International Law
Southwest Asia and Islamic Civilization
Strategic Management and International Consultancy
United States
Self-Designed

FLETCHER’S THREE DIVISIONS

Diplomacy, History, and Politics
International Law and Organizations
Economics and International Business
Experience Beyond the Classroom

From Engaged Discussion to Real-World Action

At Fletcher, experiential learning is a key element of your education, complementing formal instruction. You can build upon coursework by engaging in fieldwork, consulting with real-world clients, and conducting critical research. You will also complete a capstone project that could range from crafting a policy memo to creating a business plan to writing a traditional thesis. Fletcher encourages you to pursue enriching experiences both on and off campus, providing professional exposure as you advance your goals.

Recent Conferences

- Religion, Law, and Diplomacy
- Gender and International Affairs
- Managing Political Risk
- Africana Conference: From Rhetoric to Action
- Arctic Conference
- Greece’s Turn? Litmus Test for Europe
- Innovate Tufts: Fletcher Disrupts
- Tufts Energy Conference

16 Research Centers

Fletcher Digital Diplomats: Cyber 9/12 Student Challenge

Acting as National Security staff, the Fletcher cyber crisis simulation team was tasked with developing a policy response to a scenario involving a botnet takeover of China’s Agriculture Bank targeting J.P. Morgan in the U.S. Team members gained valuable networking experience working with key figures in cyber policy.

Tufts’ Water: Systems, Science, and Society (WSSS)—Palestine Practicum

Fletcher students conducted household surveys and analyzed tap water samples in the West Bank. This project resulted in policy recommendations related to water security and access.

“The unique backgrounds of the team members, particularly their interest and experience in both government affairs and business, allowed them to bring a broad perspective and high quality thinking to our complex project.”

Evan Goldberg
Senior Director, Strategy and Business Development, Pfizer China

“The best thing about this experience was the international background of the team members. Quick learning from the students in the area of INGO is a big difference between this team and other schools.”

Tony Chan
Senior Director, International Programs & Operations, Habitat for Humanity International

FLETCHER EDUCATIONAL ENRICHMENT FUND

This fund provides grants to students to pursue independent research and experiential learning opportunities.

Students have full responsibility for both the product and the client relationship, which provides a significantly richer experience for them and better results for our world-class clients.”

Rusty Tunnard
Professor of Practice of International Business, on the Field Studies in Global Consulting seminar
When you invest in a Fletcher education, the degree you earn is just the beginning of a lifelong connection with our network. Our alumni impact the world in serious ways, but they’re also serious about their personal and professional engagement with the Fletcher community. Whether for career advice, professional contacts, expert insight, or a familiar face, Fletcher alumni go out of their way to support each other.
Boston’s Advantage
The Center of Intellectual and International Pursuits

Boston is an academic and intellectual hub, home to more than 60 colleges and universities. A truly multicultural city, Boston boasts one of the largest concentrations of international students in the world.

Fletcher students take advantage of our location in many ways. Academically, students embrace cross-registration options and Boston’s unparalleled environment for study and research. Professionally, students have opportunities in thriving business, technology, entrepreneurial, diplomatic, and non-profit communities. Students also enjoy Boston’s vibrant cultural life.

Students maintain and grow their networks through worldwide travel, as well as organized career trips to Washington, D.C., and New York City. In addition, our convenient location—and connection to Tufts University—consistently draws quality speakers and conference attendees.

Tufts University
Founded in 1852, Tufts University is among the oldest institutions of higher education in the Boston area. A major research institution with three undergraduate colleges and eight graduate and professional schools, Tufts maintains four campuses across Massachusetts and one in France. Tufts is celebrated for its international perspective, emphasis on active citizenship, and strength in the life sciences.
We invite you to visit Fletcher, interview, sit in on a class, and meet our students. Unable to make it to campus? Join us for one of our virtual information sessions, take advantage of our Skype interview program, or check our travel calendar to see if we're visiting a city near you.

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