Development and International Relations (DIR) is an intensive two-year (four semesters) Master’s program under the Study Board of International Affairs at Aalborg University, Denmark.

The Master’s program in Development and International Relations (DIR) aims at providing an interdisciplinary insight into studies of development and international relations from a social sciences’ perspective. DIR gives you the opportunity to become a dynamic practitioner in your field, whether your interests are strategic, managerial, policy-related, or all of the above. You will achieve knowledge about various theoretical approaches to the study of Development and International Relations, learn to analyse aspects of economic, cultural, political and social developments from an interdisciplinary perspective and benefit from the experience of working in an intercultural environment derived both from participation in the international degree programme at Aalborg University and from an internship.

**ACADEMIC CONTENT**

In the first semester at Development and International Relations at Aalborg University, students attend a wide range of lectures related to modern-day concerns in international relations. The second semester focuses predominantly on development problems, challenges and possibilities.

Third semester consists either of a study period within the field of development and international relations at a foreign university or an internship in an institution or organisation having an international relations or development dimension in its activities.

Finally each student writes a Master’s thesis the last fourth semester.

**STUDY ABROAD**

On the third semester, students choose between a minimum of 3 months internship in an international organisation in Denmark/abroad or a study period at a foreign university or research institution. Internship or studying abroad is arranged individually.