



# INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STUDIES

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### 1. What is IDS?

IDS is about addressing the causes and consequences of global poverty, inequality and social injustice through equitable and sustainable change. We aim to foster greater understanding of these issues, both globally and locally, through study, research and cross-cultural learning experiences.

### 2. Why study IDS at Dalhousie?

We understand that to meet the world's most difficult challenges, our vision must be inter-disciplinary and global. IDS offers a unique blend of theory and practice, giving students the opportunity to focus on the causes and consequences of global poverty and inequality in the classroom, while also having opportunities for hands-on learning at home and abroad. If you have diverse interests that span the usual disciplinary divides, underpinned by a strong sense of social responsibility, then IDS at Dalhousie is for you!

### 3. What courses does IDS offer?

IDS at Dalhousie has pioneered courses like 'Development and Activism' and 'Halifax and the World'. Students have an opportunity to be a part of the longest-running Canadian IDS study abroad program in Cuba. Areas of teaching expertise in IDS include development theory, gender, culture, human security, rural development, decolonialism, health, Indigenous peoples, and global citizenship.

### 4. What kind of jobs do people with a degree in IDS have?

IDS graduates have well-paying, professional jobs in a wide range of fields in Canada and around the world. Our graduates work for the **Government of Canada** and **local government**, the **ICRC** and **Canadian Red Cross**, **Uniterra**, **Right to Play**, **Rainbow Railroad**, as teachers, filmmakers and social entrepreneurs.

### 5. Are you interested in engaging with some of the most pressing problems facing the world?

Register for our first or second-year courses – INTD 1103: Halifax and the World, INTD 2001: Introduction to Development I or INTD 2002: Introduction to Development II.

**Have a question?** Email our undergraduate advisor Ajay Parasram: [parasram@dal.ca](mailto:parasram@dal.ca).

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