PennState School of International Affairs

Capstone Registration Form

Student's Name	*PSU ID*	*Student's Signature*	*Date*

In addition to the core curriculum and elective courses, M.I.A. degree candidates must satisfy the Capstone requirement by completing either (i) a Master's paper, or (ii) a supervised internship placement.

Please indicate below how you wish to satisfy the Capstone Requirement for the M.I.A. degree:

☐ **Master's paper (*INTAF 594 – Research Topics*)**. The Master's paper will involve integrating and showing mastery of the subject matter of the student's curricular emphasis, and also may involve original research. Please review the Master's Paper guidelines prior to discussing the proposed topic and plan for completion with your proposed ***faculty paper adviser***. His/her signature below indicates approval of those arrangements. The Master's Paper adviser can be different from the student's assigned faculty advisor in the M.I.A. program.

Paper Topic/Title: _____

☐ **Supervised internship (*INTAF 595 - Internship*)**. Pursuant to the internship option, the student will participate in a supervised internship placement of sufficient depth and professionalism to allow the student to experience the integration of his or her curricular studies in an actual professional environment. Per the Internship Guidelines, a reflective paper will be submitted to the Office of Career Services as a part of the internship requirement. Please review your Plan for Internship statement with your faculty advisor. His/her signature below indicates approval for academic credit of your particular internship, based on your *Plan for Internship*.

You must complete a minimum of **three** credits. Those credits can be spread over more than one semester, as long as you are enrolled for ***at least*** one credit during the semester of your Capstone experience.

___Fall	_____Year	Number of Credits: _____
___Spring	_____Year	Number of Credits: _____
___Summer	_____ Year	Number of Credits: _____

Please collect the requested signatures below. Your enrollment will be processed by the SIA Registrar once this form has been fully signed. *If your faculty advisor is unavailable to sign the form, an e-mail from him/her indicating approval of the Capstone experience will suffice. Please print and attach a copy of that e-mail.*

***INTAF 595 Internship enrollees*:** Return this form to the Director of Career Services (122B Katz) who must also sign this form once your *Plan for Internship* is approved.

Faculty Advisor's Name	*Faculty Advisor's Signature*	*Date*

Director of Career Services' signature	*Date*

INTAF 594 – Paper enrollees – Return this form to the Academic Advisor (122A Katz) who must also sign this form.
****Please note:*** *Students working with a professor outside of SIA as their primary paper adviser must also designate an SIA professor as a second reader. Both faculty signatures are required in this scenario. See Master's Paper guidelines for details.*

Faculty Paper Advisor's Name	*Faculty Paper Advisor's Signature*	*Date*

Academic Advisor's signature	*Date*

As applicable: When working with non-SIA Faculty serving as primary paper advisers:

Non-SIA Faculty Paper Advisor's Name	*Non-SIA Faculty Paper Advisor's Signature*	*Date*