

This short course introduces the concept of science diplomacy (SD) as a domain of both theory and practice. SD can be defined as the area where science and foreign policy intersect, encompassing issues such as agreements to foster international scientific cooperation, expert advice to international policymaking, and informal diplomatic activities carried out by scientists from non-like-minded countries.

The course is organized into two parts.

The first part introduces the concept and practice of SD (4 hours).

The second part further examines some of the key issues characterizing this emergent domain, such as scientists' diplomacy, the role of international organizations, space diplomacy, and SD by and with the Global South (8 hours).