



Master of Arts in Human Rights and Conflict Management

**VII Edition
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Introduction

The Master of Arts in Human Rights and Conflict Management is designed to enable students from different cultures and backgrounds to attain a deep understanding of the **linkages between human rights and conflict resolution theory and practice.**

The curriculum, strongly field-oriented, prepares the participants for **work with NGOs, governments, aid agencies, the UN and other organizations where a deep understanding of these issues is critical.**



Main educational goals

- To train **high-rank professionals** able to work at different levels within the programs and actions promoted by national, regional, international or non-governmental organisations, for the double purpose of protecting human rights and preventing, mitigating or solving conflicts.
- To train professionals able to combine, in a dynamic, non sequential way, **critical knowledge and technical operational skills**.



Key facts

- 1 year post-graduate professionalizing programme
- Language of instruction is English
- Max 28 positions, 14 meant for NON EU
- 440 hours of classroom lectures and 480 hours of internship, in addition to individual studying and the elaboration of a final written project
- Min. 60 – max. 67 ECTS credits



Teaching methodology

- Combination of lectures and practical classes together with group projects, seminars, class discussions and presentations
- Use of case studies, role-plays, simulations
- Multidisciplinary approach
- Adoption of a gender perspective in all relevant subjects



Main innovations introduced with the VII Edition

- Reduction of time in class; more time allowed for independent reading and writing by the students geared to class discussions and presentations.
- Increased interactivity of the teaching methodology.
- 20-30% of each exam mark allocated to the student participation in class.
- Increased participation of the students in the definition of their internship.
- Creation of an International Advisory Board.



Education Time Plan

- Residential phase: from 12 January to 31 July, at Scuola Sant'Anna's campus.
- Internship: min. 3 months during the period from August to December 2009, at dedicated venues.



The residential phase – module I

- Development Economics
- Geopolitics and International Relations
- History and Politics of Afro-Asian Countries and Latin-American Countries after the 80s
- Philosophy of human rights
- International Law and International HR Law
- International Humanitarian Law
- Theories & Techniques of conflict management
- Developing personal skills



The residential phase – module II

- International PK and PB Operations
- International Humanitarian Operations
- International HR Field Operations
- International Election Observation Missions
- Theories and Techniques of Conflict Management – cont.
- International Project Development
- Developing personal skills – cont.



The Internship

- A fundamental part of the professionalizing experience offered by our Master.
- It aims at completing the in-class training with a relevant hands-on experience.
- Min. 3 months with a renowned organisation working in the areas of human rights, conflict management, humanitarian assistance or development.
- An active collaboration by the students in the definition of the internship is required.



Our partners for the Internship

- The Italian Permanent Mission to the UN in NY and Geneva
- IOM Sudan, Lebanon, Kenya
- COOPI
- CESVI
- UCODEP
- the Ghana Red Cross
- UNRIC
- WHO Barcelona
- WHO Collaborating Centre for Health Promotion Capacity Building in Child and Adolescent Health c/o Health Promotion Programme, A. Meyer University Children's Hospital.



Career Services

- **Career counselling service:** Individual interviews focusing on personal expectations, interests, skills, weaknesses, and professional goals.
- **Career coaching sessions,** focusing on access to the international career sector and self-promotion techniques.
- **Annual Recruitment Days:** participation in interviews conducted by UNV recruiters, and networking contacts with representative of IOs and NGOs.
- **Regular information service** regarding personnel recruitment by IOs and NGOs.



Tuition Fee

- The tuition fee for the full Master Programme is 7000,00 Euro. It covers the following:
 - Academic and tutorial costs
 - Didactic material
 - Participation in seminars and field trips
 - Access to the School library
 - Access to the computer rooms
 - Lunch on lesson/exam days

Travel, accommodation and all other expenses are the responsibility of each participant.



Scholarships

- 1 scholarship, covering the full tuition fees, will be awarded to THE EU CITIZEN or the NON EU CITIZEN RESIDENT IN THE EU who attain the highest score in the list of selected participants.
- A limited number of scholarships will be made available to CITIZENS OF NON-OECD COUNTRIES RESIDENT OUTSIDE EU MEMBER STATES.
- Depending on resources availability, financial assistance towards internship expenses will be offered to those participants who are citizens of EU countries.



Services and facilities

- **The Library**, located in the historical setting of Sant'Anna headquarters, a former Benedictine nunnery of the XVth century. MA students will there be able to access specialist interest - unique throughout Italy – collections, large reference works, amounting to a total of about 64,000 books, 492 currently published journals, 17,000 titles of e-journals, and interdisciplinary and sectorial databanks.
- **Study space and computing services.** MA students have access to the various available computer rooms for the entire length of the program. Moreover, the Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna premises are equipped with wireless connection.



- **The canteen**, which offers everyday a number of meal options (including vegetarian), where the MA students will be allowed to eat for free for the entire length of the course in Pisa, during lesson and exam days.
- Upon request, the MA Office will provide assistance in finding a suitable lodging in Pisa.



Who is Who at the MAHRCM

- Prof. Andrea de Guttry, Director
- Luisa Nardi, Coordinator
- Dr. Alessia Lenci, Tutor
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