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Master of Arts in Human Rights & Conflict Management

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 to 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 Citizens
- 440 hours of classroom lectures and 480 hours of internship, in addition to individual studying and the elaboration of a final project work
- min 60 max 67 academic 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 Field trips (e.g. training on personal security with the Paratroops Brigade Folgore of Leghorn, Italy)





Education Time Plan

<u>Residential phase</u>: from January to July 2011, at Scuola Sant'Anna's campus, Pisa.

Internship: min 3 – max 6 months, starting from August 2011, at dedicated venues.

The residential phase – module I

Economic Development Geopolitics and regional issues in historical perspective Philosophy of human rights International Law and International HR Law International Humanitarian Law Theories & Techniques of conflict management I Developing personal skills

The residential phase – module II

International PK and PB Operations
International Humanitarian Operations
International HR Field Operations
Human Rights Law II
International Election Observation Missions
Theories and Techniques of Conflict Management II
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.

Some of the Hosting Organizations for Students' internships

- The Italian Permanent Mission to the UN in NY and Geneva
- IOM Sudan, Jordan& Lebanon, Kenya, Tanzania
- COOPI
- COSPE
- UCODEP
- UNRIC, Bruxelles
- UNHCR (several destinations)
- UNHCHR (several destinations)
- UNODC Cambodia
- UNDP (several destinations)

Search for Common Ground Nepal

- Care Nepal
- Oxfam Nepal
- Defence for Children Sierra Leone
- SERAC Nigeria
- GUSCO Uganda
- Pax Christi International, Bruxelles
- LRC South Africa
- International IDEA, Stockholm
- Witness International, NY
- 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 and DPKO 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

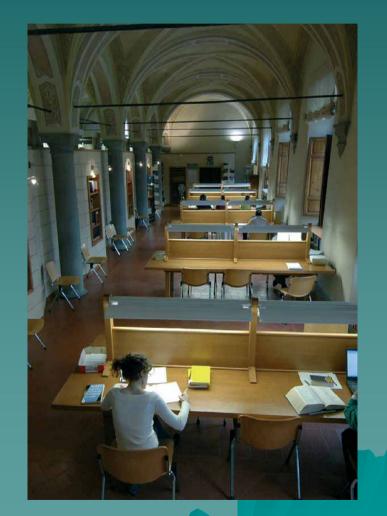
- 1 scholarship, covering the full tuition fee, is awarded to the most deserveful EU Citizen.
- Depending on financial availability, a limited number of additional scholarships will be awarded to Citizens from Non-OECD Countries.
- Depending on resources availability, the School in cooperation with the Region of Tuscany will offer a partial reimbursement towards internship expenses to EU Citizens

 The Region of Tuscany annually makes available Training Vouchers for EU Citizens. Said Vouchers can cover the Tuition Fee up to a maximum of 4000,00 Euro.

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 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.



 The Canteen offers a daily variety of meal options (including vegetarian), where the MA students will be allowed to eat for free for the entire length of the Residential Semester in Pisa, during lesson and exam days.

Who is Who at the MAHRCM

Prof. Andrea de Guttry, MA Director

Andrea de Guttry is Professor of Public International Law, Jean Monnet Professor of EU Law and Institutions at the Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna in Pisa, Italy, where he is also Director of the Masters and Training Programmes Division, and Director of the International Training Programme for Conflict Management. A member of the Italian Inter ministerial Committee on Human Rights, Prof. de Guttry is the Director of the International Centre for Conflict and Development Studies, and is currently leading various research and training projects in Africa, Asia and Latin America. His areas of expertise are: public international law, international human rights law, international humanitarian law, and EU law.

Luisa Nardi, MA Coordinator

Luisa Nardi is currently a Research Fellow on decentralized cooperation at the Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna in Pisa, Italy. Since 2004, she is a member of the International Training Programme for Conflict Management (ITPCM). A graduate from the faculty of Political Science in Pisa with a thesis on The Role of the United Nations in Election Monitoring Missions, she holds a Master in International Affairs, with a focus on human rights, awarded by the School of International and Public Affairs at Columbia University in NY. Before joining the ITPCM in 2004, Luisa worked for the International Network for Economic, Social and Cultural Rights in NY, undertook research for the Center for the Study of Human Rights at Columbia University, was a legal assistant at the Office of the High Representative for Bosnia and Herzegovina in Sarajevo, and a OSCE electoral observer in a number of countries.

Alessia Lenci, MA Programme Officer

Since 2006 Alessia Lenci is Programme Officer of the MA in Human Rights and Conflict Management at SSSUP. Since 2008, she is a member of the International Training Programme for Conflict Management (ITPCM). Alessia holds a PhD in Philosophy of Human Rights from the Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna (2007). She conducted research on gender issues at the Netherlands Research School of Women's Studies of Utrecht University. Her fields of inquiry are: feminist philosophy of human rights, universalism and relativism of human rights, cultural and postcolonial studies, gender and multiculturalism. She taught classes of Philosophy of HR in the MA programme from 2007 to date.

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