

# EXECUTIVE MASTER IN INTERNATIONAL LAW IN ARMED CONFLICT



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The Executive Master in International Law in Armed Conflict (60 ECTS) is one of the few part-time, innovative and intellectually challenging programmes in the law of armed conflict offered today. Designed for professionals with demanding jobs and responsibilities, it provides strong theoretical and practical knowledge and responds to the growing need for specialists to address complex humanitarian and human rights (HR) challenges and challenging processes such as criminal proceedings, international negotiations and humanitarian interventions.

Based in Geneva, this executive programme runs for nine months (October–June) and admits 15 to 20 practitioners annually. Six to nine additional months are needed to complete a master's thesis and defend it before a jury.

Courses take place on Thursday evenings and Friday afternoons at our headquarters, Villa Moynier. They cover international law, international humanitarian law international HR law, international criminal law and the interplay between them. They also address current issues and challenges, including the repression of terrorism, peacekeeping and international refugee law.

Taught by Geneva-based law professors and world-renowned law experts and professors, the programme enables participants to gain specialized knowledge directly applicable to professional work. Diplomats, lawyers, legal advisers, NGO staff, human rights advocates, professionals working in emergency situations, UN staff and staff from other international organizations share expertise, discuss pressing concerns and reflect on the application of international law to their work.

#### PROGRAMME

- Nine months (October to June) and the writing of a master's
- thesis
- On Thursday evenings and Friday afternoons
- World-renowned faculty
- Conferences, workshops and seminars with leading experts
- Ongoing exchanges with peers and other professionals
- Promotes one's career and network in the humanitarian and human rights fields

#### COURSES

- Introduction to public international law and subjects of the international legal order
- Sources of public international law
- Sanctions in public international law: selected topics
- Sources and scope of application of international humanitarian law (IHL)
- Protection of persons and property in international armed conflicts
- Classification of armed conflicts
- The law of non-international armed conflicts
- Introduction to international human rights law
- The interplay between IHL and human rights
- International refugee law
- Preventing and combating terrorism
- From use of force to responsibility to protect
- General principles and international crimes
- The challenges of international criminal justice
- Optimizing the Human Rights Council

#### **CANDIDATES MUST PROVIDE**

- A detailed CV
- A letter of motivation
- Proof of competence in English

## **APPLICATION DEADLINES**

- Applications open: 25 March 2019
- Applications end: 23 September 2019

## **TUITION FEES**

• Full programme: 18,000 Swiss Francs (10 percent discount for payment before 15 October 2019)