From Northern Ireland to Burundi, Timor-Leste, Sri Lanka, Tunisia or Guatemala, countries throughout the world struggle to deal with the aftermath of violent conflict or oppressive rule. What does it mean for a society to come to terms with mass atrocities? How can the rule of law be re-established in a country shattered by wide-scale violence? How can the competing demands of peace and justice be balanced? What be expected from measures such as trials, truth commissions, reparation programmes and institutional reform?

The Master of Advanced Studies (MAS) in Transitional Justice, Human Rights and the Rule of Law (MTJ) is a one-year full-time postgraduate degree designed for highly qualified and open-minded candidates interested in acquiring academic education and practice in this field. One of the very few programmes on this subject world-wide, its cross-disciplinary approach combines legal, political, historical, anthropological, philosophical and field perspectives and promotes both academic excellence and independent critical thinking.

Throughout the year, students have access to a prestigious faculty composed of leading academics and renowned experts and practitioners who are in touch with the latest developments and debates.

An ongoing focus on practice via exchanges with practitioners, work on concrete case scenarios, a study trip and clinical work allows students to develop the transferable skills necessary to succeed in the professional world and take up responsibilities in the field of transitional justice, human rights and the rule of law.

PROGRAMME

- One year full-time
- 60 ECTS credits
- World-renowned faculty
- Core courses on theoretical and practical frameworks relevant to transitional justice, human rights and the rule of law
- Focus on practice
- Transitional Justice Cafés
- A study trip

AN EXCEPTIONAL LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

The programme is organized around small and intimate learning communities. This creates an exceptional learning environment where students from all over the world and with a wide range of disciplinary backgrounds, experiences and motivations have access to a world-renowned faculty at the cutting-edge of transitional justice issues and challenges.

As a human rights and peacebuilding hub, Geneva offers a broad range of conferences and public events featuring key experts and topics, as well as providing access to leading actors in the field.

TUITION FEE AND SCHOLARSHIPS

- The tuition fee is 18,000 Swiss Francs
- We offer partial and full scholarships, allocated through a highly competitive process, to talented young people with limited means from the Global South and Eastern Europe.

APPLICATION DEADLINES

- Applications open: 29 November 2021
- With scholarships applications end: 28 January 2022
- Without scholarships applications end: 25 February 2022