

MASTER OF ADVANCED STUDIES

IN TRANSITIONAL JUSTICE, HUMAN RIGHTS AND THE RULE OF LAW

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From Colombia to Iraq, Sri Lanka or Tunisia, 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 to reestablish the rule of law in a country shattered by wide-scale violence? What are the legal obligations and standards?

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 high-level academic education and practice in the field of transitional justice, human rights and the rule of law.

One of the very few programmes on this subject worldwide, its cross-disciplinary approach combines legal, political, historical, anthropological, philosophical and field perspectives and promotes both academic excellence and independent critical thinking.

Besides core courses that provide a firm grounding in the central theoretical and practical transitional justice issues, the programme allows students to tailor their studies to their particular interests via optional courses, internships, participation in a moot court and a series of extracurricular activities.

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



PROGRAMME

- · One year full-time
- 60 ECTS credits
- World-renowned faculty
- Core courses, optional courses and the writing of a paper
- Weekly tutorials to revise concepts addressed in the class and prepare for the exams
- The possibility to carry out internships with leading transitional justice and human rights actors
- · Participation in a moot court
- Extracurricular activities
- 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 and experiences 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 full scholarships, allocated through a highly competitive process, to talented students with limited means from non-western countries.

APPLICATION DEADLINES

- Applications open: 4 November 2024
- With scholarships applications end: 9 January 2025
- Without scholarships applications end: 13 February 2025

FIND OUT MORE AND APPLY

More information can be found at: www.geneva-academy.ch/masters/

