This one-year postgraduate degree course provides advanced, comprehensive and practical training in international humanitarian law (IHL), international human rights law in armed conflict (IHRL), international criminal law, as well as the interplay between them.

Students gain access to a world-renowned faculty, benefit from direct connections with leading actors in the field like the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR), and share ideas with other participants from an array of different legal backgrounds and perspectives.

The programme allows students to tailor their studies according to their particular interests. Core courses provide a firm grounding in public international law, IHL, IHRL in armed conflict, international refugee law and international criminal law.

Optional courses allow students to deepen their expertise in a particular issue such as armed non-state actors and international law, the rules governing the conduct of hostilities, enforced disappearances in international law or the Islamic law of armed conflicts.

Our LLM is also profoundly committed to developing the transferable skills necessary to succeed in the professional world and take up responsibilities in the humanitarian and human rights fields. To this end, internships with leading actors and participation in moot courts provide a solid exposure to practical work and allow students to expand their network.

PROGRAMME

- One year
- Full-time
- 60 ECTS Credits
- World-renowned faculty
- Core courses, optional courses and the writing of a paper
- Weekly tutorials that allow students to revise and discuss concepts and issues addressed in the core courses
- The possibility to carry out internships with leading humanitarian and human rights actors
- Participation in public pleadings and moot courts
- Military Briefings that address legal issues related to military actors and operations
- A study trip
- Scholarship opportunities

APPLICATION DEADLINES

- Applications open: 18 November 2019
- Applications without scholarship end: 28 February 2020
- Applications with scholarship end: 31 January 2020

TUITION FEES

- Full programme: 18,000 Swiss Francs