

MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMME IN INTERNATIONAL LAW AND HUMAN RIGHTS

2022–2024

Turku / Åbo, Finland



The Institute for Human Rights and the Chair of Public International Law at Åbo Akademi University

The Master's Degree Programme

The Master's Degree Programme in International Law and Human Rights is designed to prepare its graduates for challenging careers in international and non-governmental organizations, public administration, and legal practice. It will also provide the requisite background for advanced research in human rights or public international law. The study programme allows for individual, tailor-made specialisation profiles depending on the choice of courses. Successful completion of this two-year full-time programme results in the award of a Master of Social Sciences (M. Soc. Sc.) degree. The programme has a legal focus, corresponding to a LL.M. degree.

Structure of the Programme

The programme consist of (a) compulsory international and human rights law courses including a research seminar and a master's thesis, and (b) elective studies. Students can choose to deepen their knowledge in particular areas, such as international human rights law, migration and refugee law, international law and conflicts, and general international law. Elective studies may include courses offered by other subjects than public international law at Åbo Akademi University, courses within the Turku Law School cooperation between Åbo Akademi University and the University of Turku, as well as courses offered by Finnish, Nordic and international partner universities. Students are encouraged to do an internship. Relevant internships can be included as elective studies.

Admission

The programme is open to those holding a law degree or another bachelor's degree with at least 45 ECTS credits in law or other relevant subject(s). Sufficient knowledge of English language is also required. Admission granted on basis of the application. Comprehensive details on the application and admission procedure can be obtained at: www.abo.fi/apply/

The Institute for Human Rights

The programme is offered by the Institute for Human Rights and the Chair of Public International Law within the Faculty of Social Sciences, Business and Economics at Åbo Akademi University. The Institute for Human Rights is renowned for its academic human rights research and has a long experience in hosting a wide range of international courses for students, researchers and professionals. The Institute also offers doctoral training and participates actively in Nordic and other international human rights research and education networks.

Credits: 120 credits

Application Period:

5 – 19 January 2022

For details please see:

www.abo.fi/apply/

Language of Instruction: English

Fees: Tuition fee for non-EU/EEA students, EUR 10,000 / year.

See: www.abo.fi/en/study/tuition-fees

Scholarships are available.

Membership in the Student Union, approx. EUR 64/year.

Further information:

On the programme:

www.abo.fi/ilhrmaster

email: hmr-coordinator@abo.fi

On admission:

www.abo.fi/apply/

email: admission@abo.fi

Åbo Akademi University

Founded in 1918, Åbo Akademi University is the only Swedish-language multidisciplinary university in Finland.

The university offers both undergraduate and postgraduate studies and extensive research opportunities for some 5,500 students. Åbo Akademi University is located close to the city centre, in the heart of the old part of the city of Turku/Åbo. The campus offers a safe, friendly and welcoming environment for students. The university is characterized by its small size, good student – teacher relations, rich traditions and its highly flexible study environment.