

University of Hamburg
Institute for Peace Research and Security Policy at the University of Hamburg (IFSH)
Cooperation Network Peace Research and Security Policy (KoFrieS)

Call for Applications for the Postgraduate Master's Program "Peace and Security Studies"

Program aims and objectives

- We offer you the possibility to obtain a "Master of Peace and Security Studies" after one year of full-time study. The postgraduate program "Master of Peace and Security Studies" is conducted by the University of Hamburg in cooperation with the Institute for Peace Research and Security Policy at the University of Hamburg (IFSH) and other scientific institutions and partners of the "Cooperation Network Peace Research and Security Policy" (KoFrieS).
- It is a trans and interdisciplinary as well as practice-orientated program that combines academic study with fieldwork. The program is designed for highly-qualified graduates and professionals holding at least an undergraduate university degree. During the course, participants will be introduced to the issues of peace and security policy.
- The aim of the program is to equip students with a range of skills and to provide them with expertise in the fields of peace and security policy. The degree is particularly designed for those interested in a career in peace and/or security studies research and teaching, or to those interested in working for national and international organizations, administrations, associations, and businesses (e.g. in the fields of peace-keeping, monitoring, verification, development aid, mediation, arbitration, conversion, administration).

Entry requirements

- Interest in the field of peace studies or peace research and security policy
- 240 points ECTS (usually a four-year course in *any* discipline)
- An undergraduate degree from a German or foreign university
- Professional interest and scientific or practical experience related to issues of peace and/or international security
- Sufficient knowledge of the English and German languages. Language skills must be proven by:
German: "German Language Examination for University Admission of Foreign Students" (Sprachprüfung für den Hochschulzugang ausländischer Studierender) (DSH), the examination "German as a Foreign Language" (Deutsch als Fremdsprache) (DaF), or any examination of equal value (B2/C1 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages) are accepted.
English: The TOEFL (230 points/ 570 paper-based) (<http://www.ets.org/toefl>), the IELTS (5.5), the Advanced C, or any examination of equal value (B2/C1 of the CEFRL) are accepted.
Only applicants who are German or English native speakers are not required to show proof of language proficiency.

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More information about the program

- Please find more detailed program information at:
<http://www.ifsh.de/index.php/mps-319.html> or on our website under **FAQs** (Frequently Asked Questions).
- Applicants who have already secured a scholarship (e. g. a GAES scholarship, see <http://www.daad.de/deutschland/foerderung/02055.en.html> or from a (political) foundation, see FAQ) may also apply.
- Students can apply for a scholarship of the IFSH Association. To apply, students need to submit an extra letter of application (one page) in addition to the rest of the application documents. The assessment of the scholarship applications will be carried out by the board of admission.

Required documents

1. Printed and signed version of the online application form (including a photo) sent by regular mail
2. Curriculum vitae
3. High School Diploma/Leaver's certificate qualifying for university (German "Abitur" or equivalent)
4. Certifications of academic degrees; academic and/or professional recommendations will be accepted, but are not required
5. Certificates of English and German language proficiency
6. Written acknowledgement of willingness to pay EUR 500.00 per semester, assuming one's application is successful

All certificates and other evidence must be provided in German or English. Translations must be officially certified. Only complete applications received on time will be accepted. The cover letter should include your mailing address, e-mail address, home number and cell phone number.

**Applications for the academic year 2012/13 must be received between
December 15th, 2011 and March 15th, 2012.**

Please send your application to:

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