



EXECUTIVE MASTER IN HUMANITARIAN LOGISTICS AND MANAGEMENT

The Master of Advanced Studies in Humanitarian Logistics and Management (MASHLM) is a part-time executive program intended for humanitarian practitioners seeking to advance their managerial, analytical, and decision making skills, and to formalize and extend their practical competence.

The program is designed to bridge the gap that exists between strategy and tactics, and tactics and operations.

Participants learn tools and methodologies, concepts and frameworks, that enable them to better analyze, design, implement, and manage complex humanitarian operations.

“This part-time program was specifically designed for full-time humanitarians. The courses are practical and bridge the gaps existing among strategy, tactics, and operations.”

Prof. Paulo Gonçalves,
Founder and Director MASHLM

*“The way forward for your
humanitarian career”*

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Why MASHLM?

Academic Excellence: Faculty from leading universities and humanitarian organizations - MIT, Harvard, Georgia Tech, Naval Postgraduate School, ICT4Peace, UNHCR;

Relevant: Coursework based on real world humanitarian problems;

Practical: Hands-on and practice-oriented learning focusing on application and implementation;

Career Enhancement: Emphasis on training to support managerial growth of participants;

Networking opportunity: International environment where participants from different countries, organizations, and positions, provide a global perspective to relevant humanitarian issues;

Lean Six Sigma: In addition to the master's degree, students earn a Lean Six Sigma Green Belt certification

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The MASHLM program is designed to meet the real world needs of today's humanitarian practitioners by providing a balanced mix of academic and practical teaching. Coursework is applied, with traditional lectures complemented by games, workshops, simulations, case studies, and projects.

Classes are held during five two-week sessions, taking approximately 18 months to complete. This part-time structure allows students to continue working full-time while earning their master's degree. The MASHLM program grants participants 60 ECTS (the equivalent of a full year of academic study). A new cohort begins every January.

In total, participants attend 18 courses, divided in five academic areas, and work on an applied thesis. Project work is a major component of the program. Between the study blocks in Lugano, students work individually or in small groups on projects, designed to apply the lessons learned in class, to solve real world challenges.

Participants

MASHLM participants come from all over the world, working for many different organizations in a variety of roles. Their diverse cultural backgrounds, wide-ranging professional experience, and passion for the program provides a unique learning environment.

Applications and Fees

Applications are welcome from individuals with at least three years of relevant humanitarian work experience, and a bachelor's degree or an equivalent professional diploma.

The total tuition cost is CHF 18,000.

For more information about the MASHLM program, please visit our website:

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Courses

Strategic Management

- Strategic Planning
- Organizational Behavior
- Crisis Information Management

Humanitarian Context

- Introduction to Humanitarian Action
- Delivery of Humanitarian Assistance
- Disaster Risk Reduction

Process and Project Management

- Project Management Principles
- Project Strategy & Scenario Planning
- Process Design
- Lean Six Sigma

Supply Chain Management

- Supply Chain Principles
- Supply Chain Design
- Supply Chain Optimization
- Supply Chain Modeling
- Operations and SCM
- Transportation Management

Research Methods

- Statistics
- Analytical Thinking