PhD in Human Rights and Global Politics: Legal, Philosophical and Economic Challenges

Overview

The international PhD in Human Rights and Global Politics, and is characterized by a strongly interdisciplinary approach, which implies the intersection among the following research areas:

- Agri-food and Environmental Law
- Public International Law
- European Studies
- Political Philosophy

The ideal candidate is a curious and open-minded researcher, willing to explore the variety of disciplines and approaches the programme has to offer.

The goal of this three-year PhD Programme, entirely delivered in English, is to provide an educational path which will enable participants not only to carry out sound academic research, but also to undertake professional careers within a wide range of international, national and regional entities, in both the private and the public sectors.

Areas of study and research facilities

The PhD programme’s structure includes mandatory lectures and research activities. In particular, first-year PhD students are required to attend the compulsory classes specifically designed for the programme. They are also encouraged to attend lectures, especially at graduate level, within the general field of their research. Given the interdisciplinary nature of the programme each student will be required to attend courses related to the four areas involved in the PhD (Agricultural Law; Public International Law; Political Economy; Political Philosophy). These courses will revolve around the topics of Human Rights and Global Politics in order to give an understanding of their interdisciplinary components.

Research methodology courses are offered which will provide students with the opportunity to acquire methodological expertise and to apply it to substantive research in their chosen topic.

Moreover, the PhD programme is recognized as a mutual learning and research community with a peculiar identity.

Job Opportunities

The course aims to adequately prepare students to undertake academic careers in the field of the social sciences. The knowledge and skills acquired place them in a privileged position to work within public bodies, in international agencies, in numerous areas of the private sector, in non-governmental organizations.

Former students have obtained research positions in Italian and foreign universities or research bodies. Some of them have started diplomatic careers or have positions as civil servants in national, EU and international public institutions and agencies.

Highlights

Throughout their studies, participants will work under the supervision of a faculty member who will meet with them regularly to discuss their work and provide feedback and advice. As well as providing expert supervision from experienced faculty members, we offer a friendly and supportive environment for our PhD students and consider them an integral part of the School’s research community. Moreover, they will have the opportunity to spend a fully funded research period abroad. Students are also encouraged to carry out extracurricular activities (seminars, summer schools, etc.). An extra budget is allocated to each student to finance the attendance of such activities.

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