

MBA

Master of Business Administration



UNIVERSITÉ
DE GENÈVE

GENEVA SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS
AND MANAGEMENT

International Organizations MBA

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Our Mission

The International Organizations MBA (IO-MBA) is a unique program designed for individuals who aspire to managerial positions in an IO, NGO, or Social Enterprise, and for existing managers who wish to enhance their skills with a view to taking on greater responsibility in their own organization.

Located in the heart of Geneva, in proximity to the United Nations and other prestigious international institutions, the University of Geneva's IO-MBA offers a multidisciplinary curriculum taught by an international faculty from leading universities around the world and practitioners from IOs and NGOs.

The IO-MBA connects the organizations' context with contemporary management tools and techniques and provides access to the United Nations and many other organizations in Geneva. It exposes students to the latest theoretical and applied knowledge combined with state-of-the-art teaching methodologies.

Objectives

- Master advanced management skills and practices commonly used in intergovernmental, public and non-profit organizations
- Analyze fundamental concepts of change management in complex organizational settings
- Explore risk analysis and decision-making mechanisms
- Strengthen leadership and team management skills and learn to apply intercultural negotiation techniques
- Gain project management skills and set up innovative solutions
- Develop a professional network to share knowledge and expertise around the world

Structure

- **Full-Time MBA:** 10 months (September to June) | 24 modules | 3-month consultancy in an IO, NGO or NPO | Master Thesis | 90 ECTS
- **Part-Time MBA:** 2 or 3 years | 24 modules | Master Thesis | 90 ECTS

Audience

Participants come from over 25 different countries, from diverse professional backgrounds (IOs, NGOs, NPOs, or in the public and private sector) and have an average of five years of work experience. The IO-MBA counts over 250 alumni working in diverse sectors in international development (IOs, NGOs), social enterprise, business and government.

Career Services

The IO-MBA has a comprehensive Career Service supporting students to:

- Develop self-leadership skills and set career goals with the our personal coaching experts
- Acquire job search tools and techniques to successfully manoeuvre in the international job market
- Access job and internship opportunities thanks to our extend network and alumni mentoring program

Program Overview

The Global Context

The political, economic and legal environment within multilateral organizations

9 modules, including:

Leadership and Strategic Change in the UN system
Practice of International Relations
Cross Sector Partnerships

Management Tools

Management, communication and organizational challenges in an international context

9 modules, including:

Performance and Resource Management in NPOs
Communication, Fundraising and Advocacy
Designing Development Projects

Professional Development

Leadership skills and tools to succeed in a competitive international environment

6 modules, including:

Self-Leadership
Effective Communication
Conflict Resolution in Business and Politics

Master Thesis

Real time project in an IO or NGO

Career Services Sessions

Testimonial



Katherine,
2016-2017 student,
working at the the
International Labour
Organization (ILO)

I came to IO-MBA with five years of experience working in trade for development programs in Canada and abroad. IO-MBA has been one of the best decisions and most enriching experiences of my life. I have gained a global perspective on my work and met incredible people who are pushing the boundaries of my field. IO-MBA has come at a pivotal moment in my career, allowing me to grow as a professional and to fulfil a lifelong dream of working for the United Nations.

Admission Criteria

- Bachelor's Degree
- Minimum of 3 years of relevant work experience
- International exposure
- GMAT or GRE – 500 points minimum
- On-line application: www.iomba.unige.ch

Application Deadlines

- Full-time MBA: 15 November / 1 March / 30 May
- Part-time MBA: Applications on a rolling basis

Start Date

- Full-time MBA: first week of September
- Part-time MBA: any time during the academic year

Program Fees

Full-time & Part-time MBA: CHF 39'500.-

Scholarships are available. The IO-MBA office will assist you regarding visa application and finding accomodation if needed. Please contact us for more details.

Venue

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International Organizations MBA

- ▶ Unique program for a career in IOs, NGOs and NPOs
- ▶ Flexible part-time or full-time schedule
- ▶ International faculty from leading universities and high-level professionals from IOs, NGOs and NPOs
- ▶ Access to the United Nations and other IOs
- ▶ Extensive alumni network and career services