The Master's Degree Programme

The Master's Degree Programme in International Human Rights Law is designed to prepare its graduates for challenging human rights careers in international organizations, non-governmental organizations and public administration. It will also provide the requisite background for advanced human rights law research. Successful completion of this two-year full-time programme results in the award of a Master of Social Sciences (M. Soc. Sc.) degree.

Structure of the Programme

The programme (120 credits) consists of: (a) compulsory human rights law courses including a research seminar and a master's thesis in international human rights law, and (b) optional courses, which may include courses offered within the Turku Law School (a system for cooperation between the two universities in Turku/Åbo) 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 optional studies.

Admission

Participation is limited to 20 students. 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/ansok/en/master

Credits: 120 credits

Application Period:
The application period starts 1 December 2016 and ends 13 January 2017, at 15.00 (GMT+2). Students application is only open during the application period.

Language of Instruction: English

Fees:

Tuition fee for non-EU/EEA students, EUR 10,000 / year.
See: www.abo.fi/ansok/en/tuitionfee
Scholarships are available.
Membership in the Student Union. approx. EUR 120 / year.

Further Information:
On the programme:
www.abo.fi/fakultet/en/humanrightsmaster

On admission:
www.abo.fi/ansok/en/master

E-mail: admission@abo.fi

Åbo Akademi University

Founded in 1918, Åbo Akademi University is the only Swedish-language multi-disciplinary university in Finland. The university offers both undergraduate and postgraduate studies and extensive research opportunities to some 6,000 students on three campuses. 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.