

Application guidelines

Please read the following guidelines before starting your application, as they will help ensure a quick and smooth application process to the Executive Master - MAS in International Law in Armed Conflict programme.

⚠ It is important that you check the email address you indicated when applying, in case we have to contact you.

Please respond to any queries we may have and send any requested documents by the indicated deadline.

Application deadlines

- Application portal opens on **3 February 2026**
- Application portal closes on: **30 May 2026**

How to apply

The online application is divided into the **following steps**:

1. Complete the application process. You do not have to complete the application in one sitting and will be able to save and come back to your application
2. Attach the required documents
3. Submit your application

Information on applying

Under “Further information”:

- please add the country code. “+” is automatically added once you start typing

Under “Information specific to the application”:

1. Under payment type, please select the only possible option (QR Bill) in order to be able to save and move to the next section
2. The question related to **CAF** is only relevant for Swiss applicants
 - Click no if you have not applied for an annual education grant
3. **Certificate English**. You can be exempted from the English certification if
 - your mother tongue is English
 - you have completed an English-taught bachelor's or master's degree
 - you have at least two years of professional or academic experience in an English-speaking environment.
 - If you fulfil the criteria to be exempted from the English Language level certificate, select other and add a random score and test date

Please note that the Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights does not accept Duolingo as an English language certificate.

Documents to provide

1. A **colour copy of your passport**. It is not sufficient to submit a copy of your ID
2. Your **curriculum vitae** in English
3. A **cover letter** explaining your interest in and potential contribution to the programme (no longer than two pages)
4. **Colour copies of relevant degrees and diplomas** (with an officially certified translation when not in English or French)
5. **(Optional) Language tests** – TOEFL, IELTS
6. **(Optional) Transcripts** (with an officially certified translation when not in English or French)