

Competences. Master's in International Development

BASIC COMPETENCES

CB6. To possess and understand the knowledge that provides a basis or opportunity to be original in the development and/or application of ideas, usually in a research context.

CB7. That students know how to apply the knowledge they acquire, and have the capacity to solve problems in new or little-known (multidisciplinary) environments beyond their area of study.

CB8. That students are capable of integrating knowledge and tackle the complexity of formulating judgments from incomplete information that include reasoning about social and ethical responsibility related to the application of their knowledge.

CB9. That students know how to communicate to specialists and non-specialists in a clear and unambiguous manner their conclusions, and the knowledge and reasoning, which support them.

CB10. That students possess the learning skills that enable them to pursue self-directed or autonomous learning.

GENERAL COMPETENCES

CG1. Discuss and analyse critically texts, facts, phenomena and ideas.

CG2. Demonstrate the ability to foresee, organise and plan their own study.

CG3. Design projects aimed at tackling theoretical and practical challenges and problems.

CG4. Demonstrate personal initiative and the ability to lead and adapt to new challenges.

CG5. Put forward new ideas and increase creative capacity.

CG6. Analyse and promote other cultures, customs and ways of thinking.

TRANSVERSAL COMPETENCES

T1. Demonstrate the ability to work in an international context, with recognition and appreciation of diversity and multiculturalism.

T2. Demonstrate the ability to work in a team and in coordination to develop a specific task, actively participating in team discussions and reflection and promoting interaction within the team.

T3. Identify and apply the qualitative and quantitative techniques and tools of academic research and information management (finding sources of information, assessing and selecting them).

COMPETENCIAS ESPECÍFICAS

E1. Demonstrate specific knowledge of international development, sustainability and global governance from an integrated and multidisciplinary perspective.

E2. Identify the main sources of bibliographic information on issues related to international development studies, including specialised periodicals and primary source collections.

E3. Identify the main authors, approaches and ideas in the study of the development process, as well as its debates and explanatory limits.

E4. Design and carry out specialised information searches on subjects related to international development, as well as to analyse results obtained following the rules of the scientific method.

E5. Demonstrate the ability to conduct independent and critical analysis for decision-making aimed at solving the specific problems and challenges of international development.

E6. Identify and know the dynamics, processes and factors that interact in local, national and international decision-making, as well as the instruments used for its implementation.

E7. Formulate and reason the knowledge acquired about the actors, dynamics, processes and factors of international development in order to analyse the results of the daily practice of governments, non-governmental organizations, governmental organizations, companies, etc.

Learning outcomes. Master's in International Development

MODULE I: Basic Fundamental Module in International Development

Subject 1: Theory and Practice of International Development

- Analyse the main contemporary development theories and their conceptual foundations.
- Master the most relevant issues in current development debates, both in the private and public spheres.
- Prepare reports and studies commonly used in development discussions and debates (reports, memoranda, resolutions, provisions, agreements, etc.).
- Formulate policy recommendations on the most relevant issues and challenges of international development.
- Assess the political aspects of public policies with a strong international development dimension: environmental protection, assistance in cases of humanitarian emergency, development of the most disadvantaged societies, etc.

Subject 2: Research Methods in International Development

- Design and develop specialised databases for research on issues related to international development.
- Understand and apply various social science research methodologies to the study of the problems and dynamics of international development.
- Use social analysis techniques to evaluate public development policies with a strong international dimension.
- Interpret and describe the results of statistical analysis.
- Master the statistical software required to implement the techniques studied in the course.

MODULE II: IN-DEPTH STUDIES IN INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Subject 1: Actors and Institutions in Development Governance

- Identify the main actors involved in development governance at both global and national levels.
- Master the most relevant issues of current debates on the management and provision of regional and global public goods.
- Understand the appearance of new emerging powers as well as the action of transnational social movements linked to sustainability.

Subject 2: Inequality, Migration and Urbanisation

- Understand the dynamics of the migratory process both at the country-to-city level and at the international level.
- Analyse the rapid urbanisation process in developing countries and its implications for the demand for resources.
- Understand the implications of migration and urbanisation processes for global economic governance.
- Assess the dimensions and dynamics of inequality at the global level in the use of and access to resources and other forms of horizontal inequality.

Subject 3: The Political Economy of Development and International Cooperation

- List theories on development and the role of the state.
- Master the economic analysis of inequality, poverty and growth.
- Identify institutional designs for development, as well as the action of international cooperation.
- Citing the foundations of international economics and political relations.
- Write reports and policy recommendations on development issues in their international context.

Subject 4: Sustainable Development

- Master debates, concepts and interpretations on the sustainability of development.
- Identify instruments and institutions for governance of the environmental impact of development.
- Identify the potentialities of state, ethnic and/or territorial conflicts.
- Identify alternatives to the dominant growth paradigm and their implications for the public welfare.

MODULE III. INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, AREA STUDIES AND COMPARED POLICY (elective courses)

Subject 1: Advanced Issues and Debates in International Relations

- Identify the political processes involved in sectoral public policies at the international level.
- Understand the historical context of international relations and international security.
- Identify the foundations of political theory and international justice.
- Compare international organisations and their decision-making processes.
- Identify theories of governance and their implementation in a global environment.

Subject 2: Area Studies

- To develop policy recommendations on the most relevant international policy issues and challenges at the selected national and/or regional levels.
- Monitor international politics and its political processes.
- Identify regional and inter-regional institutions.

Subject 3: Security and Governance

- Identify the actors involved in security governance.
- Classify the political processes involved in international security.
- Follow up on key human security debates.

- Identify the negotiation and implementation of international agreements in the field of security.

Subject 4: Foreign Policy

- Identify the main foreign policy doctrines and approaches.
- Analyse foreign policy as a public policy.
- Analyse and assess foreign policy programs.
- Interpret foreign policy guidelines.
- Describe the historical context of foreign policy.

MODULE IV: INTERNSHIP (4 ECTS credits, elective)

Subject 1. Internship

- Use the knowledge acquired during the school year through applied and theoretical practices.
- Apply the theoretical knowledge acquired to support the management of real cases of development problems and their specific international dimension.
- Use acquired techniques and methodologies to support reconstruction and post-conflict processes.
- Program professional activities related to analysis and evaluation in the field of international development
- Search and analyse data and information through social research techniques to solve specific demands of the professional activity.

MODULE V: FINAL RESEARCH PROJECT (10 ECTS credits)

Materia 1. Final Research Project

- Make a clear scientific presentation, in particular the articulation of the argument and the ability to convey basic concepts related to the project and / or empirical data.
- Master the theoretical and methodological tools used, their strengths and limitations, and their impact on research design.
- Answer the questions and remarks made by the assessment panel and demonstrate mastery on the subject.

- Further the knowledge of a particular topic of interest in the field of international development, showing expertise on the current state of the issue.
- Design and elaborate the research process and identify future lines of research.
- Use various research methods, both qualitative and quantitative, and show their coherence in the conclusions.

Teaching activities. Master's in International Development

MODULE I: Basic Fundamental Module in International Development

Subject 1: Theory and Practice of International Development

Type of activity	Hours
Master classes	60
Seminars	12
Workshops	10
Individual work	70
Group work	40
Group tutorials	10
Self-study	80
Conferences	18

Subject 2: Research Methods in International Development

Type of activity	Hours
Master classes	48
Seminars	12
Tutorials	8
Individual work	64
Group work	32
Self-study	64
Workshops	22

MODULE II: IN-DEPTH STUDIES IN INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Subject 1: Actors and Institutions in Development Governance

Type of activity	Hours
Master classes	72
Tutorials	10
Individual work	80
Group work	40
Self-study	90
Conferences	8

Subject 2: Inequality, Migration and Urbanisation

Type of activity	Hours
Master classes	72
Tutorials	10
Individual work	80
Group work	40
Self-study	90
Conferences	8

Subject 3: The Political Economy of Development and International Cooperation

Type of activity	Hours
Master classes	120
Tutorials	30
Individual work	150
Group work	80
Self-study	100
Conferences	20

Subject 4: Sustainable Development

Type of activity	Hours
Master classes	102
Tutorials	10
Individual work	100
Group work	40
Self-study	140
Conferences	8

MODULE III. INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, AREA STUDIES AND COMPARED POLICY (elective courses)

Subject 1: Advanced Issues and Debates in International Relations

Type of activity	Hours
Master classes	122
Tutorials	20
Individual work	140
Group work	52
Self-study	150
Conferences	16

Subject 2: Area Studies

Type of activity	Hours
Master classes	150
Tutorials	30
Individual work	180
Group work	70
Self-study	140

Conferences	30
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Subject 3: Security and Governance

Type of activity	Hours
Master classes	72
Tutorials	10
Individual work	80
Group work	40
Self-study	90
Conferences	8

Subject 4: Foreign Policy

Type of activity	Hours
Master classes	84
Tutorials	12
Individual work	100
Group work	50
Self-study	96
Conferences	8

MODULE IV: INTERNSHIP (4 ECTS credits, elective)

Subject 1. Internship

Type of activity	Hours
Tutorials	10
Internship	80
Report writing	10

MODULE V: FINAL RESEARCH PROJECT (10 ECTS credits)

Subject 1. Final Research Project

Type of activity	Hours
Tutorials	10
Individual work	230
Seminars	10