Institut d’Etudes Humanitaires Internationales

*Postgraduate Diploma*

- *Gestion des Crises Humanitaires et Réduction des Risques (GESCRIPRED)*

*Crisis Management and Risk Reduction (CMRR)*

→ *What is a « Postgraduate Diploma »?*

A postgraduate diploma can be considered as an independent program of studies developed by universities, providing a qualification which is distinct from a master’s degree - although at the same academic level.

The Crisis Management and Risk Reduction postgraduate diploma provides an additional specialty certification which can be considered as a technical and practical extension of the Humanitarian Action and Law Master Degree.

→ *Why create this postgraduate diploma?*

The IEHI has expanded its education program due to the ongoing evolution of humanitarian operations.

In view of the continued professionalization of humanitarian assistance and the growing importance given to crisis management and risk reduction, the IEHI developed the CMRR PD which offers a practical approach focusing on technical topics (operational support and activities – logistics, administration, human resources management, WASH (water, sanitation and hygiene) activities, food security, livelihoods and nutrition, camp coordination and camp management (CCCM), etc.

Furthermore, the IEHI works with a pool of professional humanitarian aid workers, allowing the organization of practical courses, trainings, case studies and simulations.

As a technical and practical extension of the Humanitarian Action and Law Master Degree, the CMRR postgraduate diploma provides the keys to understanding operations and stakeholders involved in risk reduction and crisis management.
Who is the CMRR PD for?

The CMRR postgraduate diploma is addressed to:
- Students already studying a Master Degree the same year or already holding a Master Degree or equivalent
- Professional humanitarian aid workers who want to improve their operational knowledge and skills
- Other professional workers looking for a new career option

It should be noted that this PD is opened to students holding various initial qualification (law degree, medical degree, engineering degree, MBAs, students from trading schools, etc.)

Education program - What is the training offer?

This postgraduate diploma covers two semesters with an adapted schedule (allowing studying a Master Degree concomitantly) and comprises 4 complementary course units with the following set-up:

Unit 1: Applied Humanitarian and Refugee Law
- Case studies on International Humanitarian Law
- Case studies on International Peacekeeping Law
- Case studies on Refugee Law

Unit 2: Humanitarian Aid Delivery
- Public health and epidemiological issues applied to volatile situations in tropical environments
- Food security and nutrition issues: food and nutrition assistance, technical tools and case studies
- Camp co-ordination and Camp Management: IDP / Refugee Camp set-up and management

Unit 3: Humanitarian Aid Management
- Logistics
- Financial management and accounting
- Operational project design and fund-raising
- Quality research and effectiveness
- Stakeholders funding strategies
- Human Resources Management
- Communication on humanitarian assistance
Unit 4: Emergency, natural hazards and durable approach

- Risk factors and hazard
- Crisis management and relief mechanisms and stakeholders
- European Union and Disaster Risk Reduction

What are the skills developed by this Postgraduate Diploma?

- Ability to analyse
- Master and knowledge of project design/structuring techniques and methodology
- Knowledge of risk factors and hazard
- Knowledge of disaster reduction methods, skills and tools
- Ability to create and design emergency and durable intervention strategies
- Ability to understand technical and practical issues (logistics, WASH, nutrition, medical issues, etc.) not as a specialist or expert but as an efficient manager or coordinator.

What are the potential professional outlets?

The professional outlets are similar to the ones offered to students holding the Humanitarian Action and Law Master Degree. Nevertheless, studying both degrees (Humanitarian Action and Law Master Degree combined with the Crisis Management and Risk Reduction Postgraduate Diploma) allows students developing more accurate and technical skills (which is highly appreciated in the humanitarian world of work).

The extras offered by this Postgraduate Diploma

- Courses are delivered by humanitarian professional and experienced workers (internal - former students or external recognized experts) allowing students building a first professional network and understanding careers opportunities and professional outlets.
- Various and numerous realistic simulations and practical cases
- Quality assurance and recognition and of this degree on the humanitarian labour market
- Conferences and courses in English and/or in Spanish, occasionally
How to apply?

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2. Registration fees – 2014/2015

- Initial qualification : 1300€ + 150€ (application fee)
- Lifelong training : 1750€ + 150€ (application fee)