HUMAN RIGHTS & INTERNATIONAL POLITICS
MSc
This programme offers a thorough academic analysis of one of the most salient and pressing issues in the contemporary world: the place of individual human rights in a system of international relations in which states’ rights have traditionally been paramount.

What will I get from this programme?
• If you plan a career with non-governmental organisations, in related domestic, European and other global institutions, or in higher education, or you want to learn more about human rights and international politics, this programme is designed for you.
• You will have the opportunity to participate in a five-day study trip to Geneva to visit the UN and non-governmental human rights organisations.
• The interdisciplinary degree is designed to ensure you will encounter both legal and political perspectives, unlike most other human rights programmes which are exclusively focused on law. You can choose to focus on one domain more than the other.
• The programme draws on recognised expertise in international institutions, security, gender, political philosophy, theories of rights, and ethics and normative theory, as well as a wide variety of country and regional expertise.
• You will benefit from access to a number of organisations within and beyond the University, including the Glasgow Human Rights Network; The Glasgow Refugee, Asylum & Migration Network; The Glasgow Centre for International Development; and the Document International Human Rights Film Festival.
• We also offer an MRes in Human Rights & International Politics which provides additional advanced training in research methods.

Why Glasgow
The programme is based within Politics and we are one of the UK’s leading institutions for political studies.

Our teaching is research-led but student centred, which means you will have the chance to develop and defend arguments in a rigorous and analytical manner, and opportunities to engage in constructive debate.

You will be part of the School of Social and Political Sciences, a vibrant community of dynamic, innovative and diverse staff and students working across a broad range of social science disciplines.

Employability support
Our dedicated Social Sciences’ Employability Officer and Work-related Learning Co-ordinator can help you reflect on your learning, and develop the skills and attributes which will help you succeed in the job market. Support is provided through a number of programmes and activities including employability workshops, alumni talks, the Graduate Skills Programme and the Professional Skills Programme, as well as work-related learning activities such as collaborative dissertations, consultation projects, and practitioner talks (both staff and student led).

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Programme structure
You will take four core and two optional courses and submit a dissertation.

Core courses
• Critical perspectives on human rights (Politics)
• Fundamentals of international law (Law)
• Human rights and global politics (Politics)
• Qualitative research methods OR Research design.

Optional courses may include:
• China’s international politics
• EU in international politics and development
• Foreign policy of the United States
• Humanitarian intervention
• International human rights law
• International organisations
• Internet and civil society
• Media and democracy
• Political institutions communication
• United Nations law.

Career prospects
Career opportunities include positions in higher education, government/foreign ministry, intergovernmental organisations, non-governmental organisations and think tanks.

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Entry requirements
2.1 Honours degree or non-UK equivalent in a relevant social science or humanities subject.

How to apply
To make an application to the University of Glasgow, go to: glasgow.ac.uk/pg/apply
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