

CALL FOR APPLICATION - ANNOUNCEMENT -

The European Regional Master's Programme in Democracy and Human Rights in South East Europe is a one year, full time, interdisciplinary programme, lasting from November until October. It is a joint initiative by the University of Sarajevo, *Center for Interdisciplinary Studies (CIS)* and the University of Bologna, *Institute for Central Eastern and Balkan Europe (IECOB)*. ERMA is co-financed by the European Union through the EIUC (European Inter-University Centre for Human Rights and Democratization) and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Italy via the Embassy of the Republic of Italy to Bosnia and Herzegovina. It is implemented in Sarajevo and Bologna, thus students receive diplomas from both universities (UNSA and UNIBO). The programme is awarding 60 ECTS.

ERMA is an academic educational activity intended for students who wish to combine studies with practical and field research experience in human rights and democratization issues. Recognizing that human rights are a crosscutting theme among different disciplines of study, such as political science, social sciences, law, sociology and philosophy, ERMA fosters an interdisciplinary approach. Enrolled students have the benefit of studying in a highly international environment together with colleagues from all over the region, European Union and rest of the world, attending lectures and workshops held by over 40 professors from 11 partner universities: University of Bologna, Italy; University of Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina; University of Belgrade, Serbia; Karl Franzens University of Graz, Austria; University of the Ruhr, Germany; University of Peloponnese, Greece; University of Zagreb, Croatia; New Bulgarian University, Bulgaria; University Ss. Cyril and Methodius, Macedonia; Higher School of Economics - National Research University, Moscow, Russia; and University of Pristina, Kosovo.

All interested in studying human rights and democracy in SEE in a dynamic and international educational setting are hereby invited to apply.

DEADLINE All required documents must be received by the **11th of September 2017**.

36 STUDENTS 36 students will be selected, in the second half of September 2017, from the following target groups:

- **Target group I (25 places):** Citizens of Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia and citizens of Kosovo, holders of passports of countries recognized by BiH
 - **Target group II (5 places):** Citizens of the European Union countries, Azerbaijan, Georgia and the Russian Federation.
 - **Target group III (6 places):** Citizens of other countries.
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SCHOLARSHIPS Students from TGI and TGII have:

1. Study grants covering regular living costs (November to July) in the amount of 4.500 € gross.
2. Costs of lodging and dining (full board) covered by the programme during the thesis-writing period in Italy
3. Reimbursements (travel, health etc.) in the overall amount of 1.200 €.

Students of TG III cover their living and travel expenses and the costs of term three in the amount of 3.150 €.

TUITION FEE TG I: No tuition fee. Enrollment costs 200€.
TG II: 2.000 €.

REQUIREMENTS

I ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

The university degree of the applicants must be earned during studies lasting either 4 or 5 years within the former undergraduate studies provisions, or 5 years (3+2) within I and II cycle studies provisions in accordance with the Bologna process with minimum of 240 ECTS earned. Candidates must hold a university degree in social sciences and humanities, from an accredited university, particularly in disciplines relevant to human rights: law, political sciences, international relations, etc.

II ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

Applicants with English as native language and those who had previous university education in English language will provide competency through their transcripts or certificates issued by the respectful universities only. Others have to provide evidence of their proficiency. The Master Programme recognizes the following international English Language certificates:

1. TOEFL – minimum score of 560 paper-based, 220 computer based, IBT not less than 83
2. British Council's IELTS - minimum band 6.5 and no less than 6.0 in any of its subsections.
3. CAE and CPE Cambridge exams

HOW TO APPLY?

1. Fill out the **ONLINE PRE-APPLICATION FORM**
2. Deliver all required documents in hard copies to the Center for Interdisciplinary Studies of the University of Sarajevo via regular/express/priority mail or in person by 11th of September 2017. (Address: *Zmaja od Bosne 8, UNSA Campus, 71 000 Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina*)

NB: Late and incomplete applications will not be considered.

DOCUMENTS

All documents must be submitted in English language. Only originals (in English) or certified copies and translations will be considered valid. Translation to English language of all documents issued in other languages must be provided by an official translation service / Court translator (with apostille) or your university/college.

1. Application Form
2. University diploma - certified copy and translation
3. Academic records / transcript - original or a certified copy and translation
4. Citizenship certificate - original or a certified copy and translation
5. Birth certificate - original or a certified copy and translation
6. Passport photocopy - pages with personal info and expiry date of the document
7. Curriculum Vitae (CV) - European format (Europass)
8. Two recommendation letters - with stamp/signature, contact details clearly indicated
9. English language certificate - original or a certified copy

NB:

1. All diplomas issued by universities from countries other than Bosnia and Herzegovina need to be recognised at the respective faculties / departments of the University of Sarajevo. The proces should be started at the moment of acceptance to the Programme at the latest.
2. Obtaining a temporary residence permit within 90 days from entering Bosnia and Herzegovina is obligatory for all foreign students.

For further information, please visit www.erma-programme.eu or contact info@erma-programme.eu

* The implementation of the A.Y. 2017-18 is subject to securing of all the funds.