

# L2K609: Defence, Development and Diplomacy



Postgraduate Taught MSc 2019

## Essentials

<b>UCAS code</b>	
<b>Degree</b>	MSc
<b>Mode of study</b>	Full Time
<b>Duration</b>	1 year (full-time)
<b>Start Date</b>	02/10/2019
<b>Location</b>	Durham City ( <a href="http://www.durham.ac.uk/study/location/durham.city">www.durham.ac.uk/study/location/durham.city</a> )
<b>More information</b>	Still have questions? ( <a href="http://www.durham.ac.uk/study/askus/">www.durham.ac.uk/study/askus/</a> )
<b>Department(s) Website</b>	<a href="http://www.durham.ac.uk/sgia">www.durham.ac.uk/sgia</a>

## Course Summary

### Description

With conflicts becoming either increasingly drawn-out, asymmetric wars of attrition or normalise into states of no peace – no war, our understanding of conflict and conflict intervention is shifting. Conflicts are rarely determined by military victory, diplomacy or long-term development, but require securing populations through a comprehensive approach that sees to their political, and economic, as well as their security-related needs. Their outcome will be determined by how well the different arms of government and civil society, both locally and internationally, can work together and how well they understand each others' perspectives.

This interdisciplinary and custom designed MSc offers the unique opportunity to look at conflict, conflict intervention and post-conflict reconstruction through the lenses of defence, development and diplomacy.

The MSc is designed for graduates with a career in government, the armed forces, inter-governmental organisations, NGOs or academia in mind, and for practitioners looking to enhance their practical skills while placing these within a broader theoretical perspective.

Five core modules worth 75 credits plus a Dissertation worth 60 credits plus three optional modules to the value of 45 credits.

### Core Modules

- Defence, Development and Diplomacy in Conflict: Evolving Actors, Factors and Paradigms
- Conflict Prevention and Sustainable Peace
- Conflict Intervention: International Law, Counter-Insurgency and Conflict Diplomacy
- Post-Conflict Reconstruction: Stabilisation, Development and State-Building
- Capstone Exercise: Humanitarian Intervention Simulation (in MSc-specific roles)
- Dissertation.

### Optional Modules

Optional module in previous years have included:

- Religion, Culture and Conflict
- Conflict Mediation
- Fieldtrip
- Conflict Sensitive Programme Management
- Re-thinking Counter Terrorism
- Conflict Analysis
- Urban Violence - Urban Peacebuilding
- International Negotiation as Instrument in Conflict Management
- Defence Engagement
- Policing Post-Conflict Cities.

## Course Detail

To find out more about the modules available to students studying at Durham University please click here ([www.durham.ac.uk/resources/faculty.handbook/degrees/frameworks/l2k609.pdf](http://www.durham.ac.uk/resources/faculty.handbook/degrees/frameworks/l2k609.pdf)).

**Please note:** Current modules are indicative. Information for future academic years may change, for example, due to developments in the relevant academic field, or in light of student feedback.

## **Admissions Process**

### **Subject requirements, level and grade**

UK 2.1 Bachelor degree, or equivalent ([www.durham.ac.uk/international/country.information/](http://www.durham.ac.uk/international/country.information/)). The degree should be in the field of social sciences, but we will actively consider significant relevant experience in lieu of this requirement.

Two satisfactory academic references. In cases of applicants who have significant relevant experience, one work-related reference and one academic reference would be considered appropriate.

### **English Language requirements**

Please check requirements for your subject and level of study ([www.durham.ac.uk/learningandteaching.handbook/1/3/3/](http://www.durham.ac.uk/learningandteaching.handbook/1/3/3/))

### **How to apply**

[www.durham.ac.uk/postgraduate/apply](http://www.durham.ac.uk/postgraduate/apply)

## Fees and Funding

### Full Time Fees

<b>EU Student</b>	£11,550.00 per year
<b>Home Student</b>	£11,550.00 per year
<b>Island Student</b>	£11,550.00 per year
<b>International non-EU Student</b>	£20,790.00 per year

The tuition fees shown are for one complete academic year of full time study, are set according to the academic year of entry, and remain the same throughout the duration of the programme for that cohort (**unless otherwise stated**).

Please also check costs for colleges and accommodation ([www.durham.ac.uk/postgraduate/accommodation/costs/](http://www.durham.ac.uk/postgraduate/accommodation/costs/)).

### Scholarships and funding

[www.durham.ac.uk/postgraduate/finance](http://www.durham.ac.uk/postgraduate/finance)

## **Career Opportunities**

### **School of Government and International Affairs**

Our students go on to a wide range of successful careers including civil service and other government agencies, UN/INGOs/CSOs, journalism, media, teaching, law, banking and finance, diplomatic services and risk analysis.

For further information on career options and employability, including the results of the Destination of Leavers survey, student and employer testimonials and details of work experience and study abroad opportunities, please visit our employability web pages ([www.durham.ac.uk/sgia/postgraduate/employability](http://www.durham.ac.uk/sgia/postgraduate/employability)).

## **Open days and visits**

### **Pre-application open day**

[www.durham.ac.uk/postgraduate/visit](http://www.durham.ac.uk/postgraduate/visit)

### **Overseas Visit Schedule**

[www.durham.ac.uk/international/office/meetus](http://www.durham.ac.uk/international/office/meetus)

### **Postgraduate Visits**

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[www.durham.ac.uk/postgraduate/visit/](http://www.durham.ac.uk/postgraduate/visit/)

## Department Information

### School of Government and International Affairs

#### Overview

Durham's School of Government and International Affairs (SGIA) combines a long tradition of expertise in a wide range of fields in politics, political theory, political economy, and international relations with a depth of specialisms in regional expertise – Europe, East Asia, the Middle East and the wider Muslim world. The SGIA provides an exceptional environment for learning, training and research.

#### Ranking

71% of the department's research is either Internationally Excellent' (3\*) or World Leading (4\*) – the top two categories in *REF 2014*.

#### Website

[www.durham.ac.uk/sgia](http://www.durham.ac.uk/sgia)

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