



THE UNIVERSITY
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MSc International Development (online distance learning)

This programme contextualises and analyses the processes that have shaped poverty and 'development' in developing countries, and the many responses to them.

We look at development issues across global, national, and local contexts using multidisciplinary approaches that stress social, historical and political factors.

On completion of the programme, you will have a rigorous understanding of the major debates, theories and critical concepts. You will be equipped to apply them to investigate contemporary development challenges, policy processes and initiatives.

This programme is ideal for those working or willing to work in international development organisations, United Nations agencies, charities, non-governmental organisations, government ministries, research institutions and the private sector.

The aims of the programme are to:

- Introduce and engage students with the central debates in international development, both from past decades and the present day;
- Equip students with an advanced knowledge and understanding of international development, including its main actors;
- Enable students to critically evaluate the empirical, theoretical and methodological dimensions involved in the study of international development and the assessment of developmental change and 'progress';
- Equip students with high-quality skills in the background research, analysis and presentation of arguments;
- Equip students with the knowledge and skills needed for progression to relevant professional work (including leadership positions) or to higher-level academic study.



Centre of African Studies

This MSc programme is based at the Centre of African Studies (CAS) in the School of Social and Political Science.

Largest centre in Europe

Today, CAS is one of the world's leading centres for the study of Africa and international development, with a history going back to its founding in 1962 when it was among the first of its kind in the UK.

Student community

The School of Social and Political Science (SPS) is home to a community of more than 500 postgraduate taught students, from across the globe. Providing a meeting place for cultures and perspectives is a valuable part of the taught postgraduate experience that we offer to our students.

Research-informed learning

You'll learn from CAS academic staff who are leaders in their fields and undertaking interdisciplinary research across a wide and diverse range of topics. We currently host more than 20 research projects, including large international collaborations.

Placements

In previous years, we had projects with our partners in countries such as Austria, Belgium, Finland, Kenya, Indonesia, Nepal, Nigeria, Malawi, Peru, Rwanda, Tanzania, Togo and Uganda. Placements focus on connecting researchers with external organisations, providing real-life research questions in your particular area of interest.

"The programme itself has been eye-opening to me. I especially enjoyed the policy brief e-tivity in the Key Skills in Development course. My policy brief was about Competency-Based Curriculum Implementation in Marginalized Counties in Kenya. I scored well and got great feedback from my lecturers. I might scale the project further in the future."

■ Carolyne Gasheri Kirimi

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