MASTER IN SOCIAL INNOVATION FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

1 NOVEMBER 2019 TO 31 OCTOBER 2020
TURIN, ITALY
MASTER IN SOCIAL INNOVATION FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

SUPPORTING A SOCIO-ECOLOGICAL TRANSITION FOR SUSTAINABLE SOCIETIES

OVERVIEW

SNAPSHOT OF THE MASTER

How can we ensure that today's sustainable development projects also meet the needs of future generations? In this new Master’s programme, students learn how to connect stakeholders to stimulate innovative public policies and practices in response to unmet social needs in the context of the SDGs. In partnership with the Università di Torino and in collaboration with international organizations and leading practitioners in the field, this programme explores the synergy between Social Innovation and Sustainable Development. Make your mark on the future of social innovation, starting at Turin School of Development (TSD).

WHAT

WHAT TOPICS DOES THIS MASTER COVER?

This blended learning opportunity combines theoretical analyses with practical assignments.

- The digital transformation and the ILO human centred approach for the future of work
- Innovation for Sustainable Development
- Leadership, collective intelligence, and creativity
- Social business, finance, and impact evaluations

WHAT WILL I LEARN?

The Master’s programme prepares students to become leaders in the socio-ecological transition.

- The ecosystem of social innovation, key stakeholders and structure
- Applications of design thinking, moving from the idea to the social business model
- Social innovation and decision making processes

WHAT WILL I BE ABLE TO DO?

Students learn how to design the social development policies and principles of the future.

- Design responsive solutions that fit the 2030 Agenda framework
- Foster collaborative networks and spark public action
- Analyze the impact of social innovation projects
WHY

WHY SHOULD I JOIN?
If you’re interested in Social Innovation and Sustainable Development, this is the Master’s programme for you.

- The programme merges the ITCILO’s training portfolio, the ILO’s eminent research, and the Università di Torino’s academic capacity.
- It isn’t all lectures; students participate in case studies, workshops, and group exercises.
- Students develop a unique project idea and ultimately create a practical, workable thesis.

WHO

WHO TAKES THIS MASTER?

- Professionals working in public and private sectors, UN agencies, foundations, and NGOs
- Recent university graduates and academics especially those interested in Social Innovation and Sustainable Development

METHODOLOGY

Participants will acquire theoretical and practical knowledge and professional skills. They will be exposed to international approaches and practices with a view to better understanding the Social innovation impact and the rise of hybrid organizations.

The Master provides a set of methods and tools to design innovative solutions within the framework of the SDGs by looking into recent changes and trends in the major economic geographical areas.

Throughout the whole Master, participants will be accompanied in the development of a specific project that will represent their final thesis.

HOW TO APPLY

Go to bit.ly/2IjoErp to apply before 1 September 2019.

PRICE

Tuition: €8,500

DEGREE

- The Master is delivered as a First level Master by the Università di Torino.
- The Master degree is awarded upon successful passing of all exams and thesis submission.
STRUCTURE

This one-year Master’s programme is intensive by design. It combines two distance learning modules with a face-to-face component.

1 November 2019 to 19 January 2020:

**DISTANCE LEARNING SUPPORTED BY A TUTORING SERVICE**

Students learn and practice on their own time using an online platform. This preparatory phase introduces students to the basic concepts of social innovation and sustainable development.

Topics covered include:

- **Social transformation** and related challenges
- The role of **technology for social purposes**
- The UN’s 2030 Agenda and the ILO’s **Future of Work Agenda**

20 January 2020 to 15 April 2020:

**ON-CAMPUS LEARNING AT THE ITCILO IN TURIN, ITALY**

The residential training period is an opportunity for students to meet one another, deepen their knowledge of the relevant topics, and gather ideas for their final project work.

The face-to-face component is divided into four parts:

- Part 1: Social innovation **policies and tools**, as they relate to the SDGs
- Part 2: **Design thinking** for social innovation and the social business model
- Part 3: **Social Impact Finance** and investment modalities for social impact
- Part 4: Social impact **measurement** using various approaches and tools

19 May 2020 to 31 October 2020:

**HOME-BASED RESEARCH FOR THESIS/PROJECT WORK**

Students complete an original project work related to a specific social challenge. The project should be testable at the country or community level. Tutors and professors will provide guidance.

FACULTY

Students learn from and collaborate with an international faculty. Working in the UN system, other international organizations, and universities, TSD professors are leading researchers or practitioners in their fields.

SCHOLARSHIPS

A limited number of partial scholarships may be available on competitive basis: criteria for awarding scholarships include personal financial situation, professional profile and relevance for the Master. Preference will be given to applicants from low-income countries.
CAMPUS LIFE

A THRIVING UNITED NATIONS CAMPUS AND COMMUNITY OF PROFESSIONAL PEOPLE FROM AROUND THE WORLD

• Three organizations from the United Nations system on campus
• More than 300 training courses and activities in a stimulating international environment
• Thousands of participants from all over the world

ENVIRONMENT AND SURROUNDINGS

Grab a campus bicycle and explore the Turin Centre. Located in a leafy park on the banks of the Po River, it’s a great place for study and collaboration. Experience innovative learning and training methods in modern classrooms equipped with simultaneous translation services.

HOUSING, DINING, AND MORE

Comprising more than 280 private dormitories, the Turin Campus provides a broad range of services for course participants and partners including a free-flow restaurant, bank, travel agency, laundromat, post office, gym, medical services and a reception desk open 24/7.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND DIVERSITY

Participants can enjoy social events organized by the Turin Centre as well as by their course facilitators. Whether on or off campus, people from different cultural backgrounds have the opportunity to listen to live music together, cook and share traditional foods, or team up to play games and network.

INFO

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT

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