



Bahir Dar University - Bahir Dar, Ethiopia

MASTERS IN DISASTER RISK MANAGEMENT & SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

The interdisciplinary Disaster Risk Management and Sustainable Development Masters curriculum has both a proactive component that contributes to sustainable development by equipping learners with the skills to assess and address pre-emptively the underlying vulnerabilities of different livelihood systems that drive disasters and a disaster management component that addresses all stages of the disaster risk management cycle. The overall goal of the programme is to provide graduates with the required knowledge and skills to contribute significantly and positively to both disaster risk research and disaster risk management in Ethiopia, as well as the broader African context and internationally.

Specific admission requirements:

Applicants are required to have a Bachelors degree in:

- The agricultural sciences (rural development, agro-forestry, natural resource management, water resource management, meteorology, agricultural extension, plant science, animal science or similar)
- The health sciences (environmental health science, health officer, public health training or similar)
- The social sciences (sociology, geography, psychology, economics, development management, demography and similar).

The candidate must pass an examination in the field of study and supply at least three letters of recommendation, preferably from their undergraduate instructors, employers or professional associations.

Assessment & examination:

Graduate student progress is assessed regularly and formally by assigned instructors and supervisors. Assessments entail both the completion of coursework and the development of professional skills in research, scientific writing and teaching- leadership. It is necessary to maintain an average of “B” or above in order to move to the thesis research stage, which is the major requirement for the Masters degree.

Academic duration of programme:

Students are expected to complete the programme in 18 months

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