

Statement of purpose Master's programme in Human Rights Studies

As part of your application to our Master's programme in Human Rights Studies, you are expected to write a statement of purpose (maximum 500 words). In the statement, the applicant describes qualifications in human rights studies, academic and professional ambitions and state why these makes the student suitable for the programme. The questions below is a guide on what to include in your statement. How you arrange your text is for you as an applicant to decide. If you choose to include the questions in your statement, the word count increases to maximum 596 words.

Describe your previous qualifications in the academic field of Human Rights Studies.

Please note that our programme is a cross-disciplinary programme and not mainly in the field of law.

- 1) What courses have you taken that give you relevant preparations for this programme?
- 2) Since research methods is a central component in this programme, have you taken any methods course(s) before? If so describe.
- 3) Do you have previous training in writing a thesis and/or conducted independent research? If so, describe any such precious experience, including topic area(s).

Describe other previous qualifications in the field of Human Rights.

For example working in an organisation, a NGO, etcetera.

What are your academic and professional ambitions and why do these make this programme relevant for you.