MEIG

Master of Advanced Studies in European and International Governance



MEIG MASTER OF ADVANCED STUDIES EUROPEAN AND INTERNATIONAL GOVERNANCE

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Key figures

UNIVERSITY OF GENEVA

49th

University in the world
Shanghai Ranking 2023

2nd

University in Switzerland
Shanghai Ranking 2023

19'078

Students
University of Geneva

MEIG PROGRAMME

More than

150

Lecturers
Per edition in the MEIG Programme

More than

70

Nationalities
Represented by students since the start of the MEIG programme



A unique and innovative approach

A Master of the University of Geneva in collaboration with the United Nations Office at Geneva

Launched in 2017 under the direction of Professor Christine Kaddous, the Master of Advanced Studies in European and International Governance (MEIG Programme) is anchored in Geneva's unparalleled international environment.

The Programme is conceived with a steadfast mission: to provide participants with a profound understanding of international obligations and to prepare them to address the critical global challenges of the 21st century.

Drawing on the academic distinction of the University of Geneva and the practical knowledge of Geneva's leading international organizations, the MEIG Programme offers an exceptional educational experience.



Message from the Director

"Our ambition is to equip you with the knowledge, critical skills, and global network you need to take action in an increasingly complex world."

When I launched the MEIG Programme, it came from a clear conviction: our world is evolving faster than ever, and education must adapt. Challenges like climate change, mass migrations, systemic risks to trade, internet governance, pandemics, and evolving threats to peace demand new forms of leadership, and leaders who understand governance not just in theory, but in practice, across borders and disciplines.

With a background in international and European law, many years in lecturing and research at the University of Geneva, and deep involvement with international organisations through the UN system, I saw the growing gap between academic knowledge and the complex realities faced by national, European, and international actors. The MEIG Programme was created to bridge that gap.

Pooling the expertise of the University of Geneva and the United Nations Office at Geneva, we designed a 10-month programme that addresses governance challenges and anchors them in the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and their real-world application. It is tailored for graduates and professionals eager to contribute in national administrations, European institutions, international organisations, NGOs, and the private sector.

Prof. Christine Kaddous




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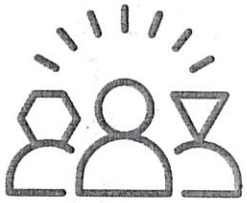
From classroom to global action

Our distinctiveness is built on a few but essential pillars



Career-oriented learning and support
From day one, the programme is designed to support your professional trajectory. Whether you're aiming to join international organizations, national governments, NGOs, or the private sector, the MEIG Programme provides personalized career guidance, skill-building workshops, and exposure to hiring institutions to help you transition effectively into your next role.

A commitment to diversity
We embrace and promote diversity across gender, age, nationality, academic background, and professional experience, creating a global and dynamic learning environment.





A unique blend of academic and practical excellence
Lectures are delivered by distinguished university professors alongside high-level practitioners from regional and international organizations, public institutions, and the private sector, offering participants an education that is both rigorous and directly applicable.

A focus on building lasting social networks
Participants not only form strong connections among themselves but also gain privileged access to an extensive network of professionals active in regional and global governance.





Comprehensive, practice-oriented training
The curriculum combines theoretical foundations and hands-on modules across law, economics, diplomacy, management, and social sciences consistently updated to address the latest global and regional challenges.

The modules

The MEIG Programme is built around 11 modules designed to meet today's global governance challenges.



Module I	Architecture of the European Union and European Governance
Module II	Architecture of the United Nations System and Global Governance
Module III	Key Skills for a National or International Career Dealing with Global Issues
Module IV	Human Rights and Migration
Module V	Peace, Security and Humanitarian Affairs
Module VI	Digital Governance
Module VII	International Trade and Development
Module VIII	Health and Environment
Module IX	Climate Change
Module X	Sport Governance
Module XI	Agenda 2030 and the Public-Private Partnerships for Its Implementation

Admission

The MEIG Programme is designed for

- University graduates (Bachelor's degree minimum) from any discipline.
- Early-career and mid-career professionals aiming to evolve in the fields of international affairs, diplomacy, public administration, NGOs, or multinational corporations.

Applicants typically have diverse backgrounds
(law, political science, economics, international relations, etc.) and aspire to:

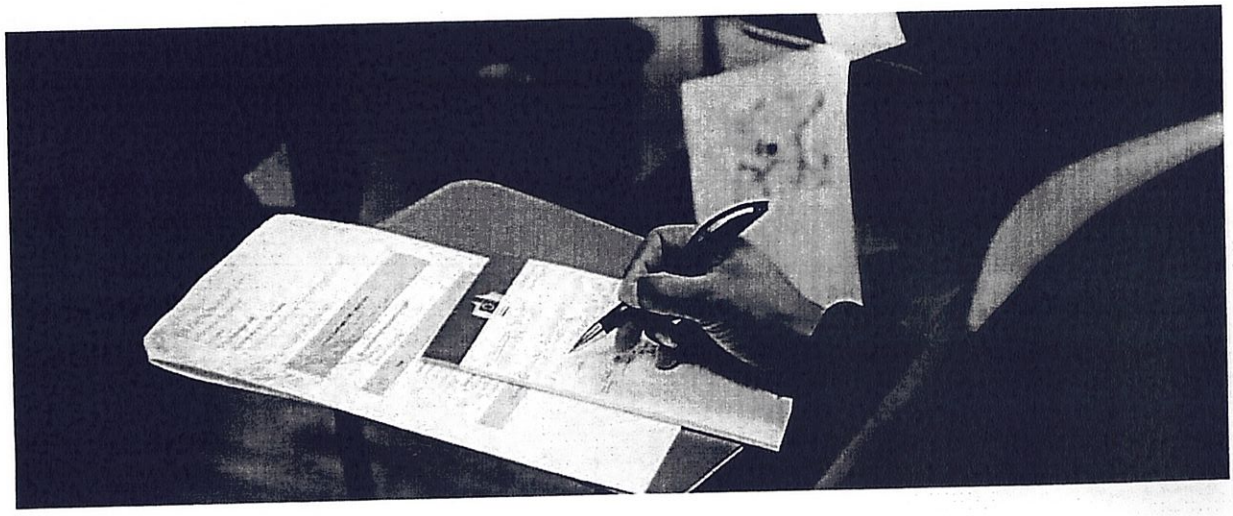
- Serve in foreign ministries, finance ministries, or justice departments.
- Work for international organizations (EU, UN), non-governmental organizations, or global corporations.

Admission criteria include:

- A university degree (Bachelor's degree minimum).
- Relevant professional experience (internships, employment in related fields) is a plus.
- Proficiency in English (validated by TOEFL, IELTS, or Cambridge certificates).
- A strong academic record and a clear professional motivation.

Required documents:

- Most recent diplomas or certificates of enrollment
- Academic transcripts
- Employment or internship certificates, if available
- Curriculum Vitae (CV)
- Motivation letter
- English language proficiency test results
- Passport or national ID
- Scholarship certificate (if applying for a scholarship)





Testimonials



Aadil Huque Indian

"The networking opportunities, well-structured modules, and the overall academic environment were highly impressive. Beyond the structured modules and remarkable networking opportunities, what made this journey even more enriching was the diversity within our cohort. Our batch included several serving diplomats, making peer-to-peer learning an invaluable aspect of the experience."



Jiaxu Mi Chinese

"MEIG, which combines pioneering academic thinking with the professional expertise gives me the motivation to advance my studies out of a desire to challenge my views. I want to see the world through new eyes, and hear different perspectives and ideas. I also want to forge a career where I will make a positive impact addressing the challenges facing humanity."

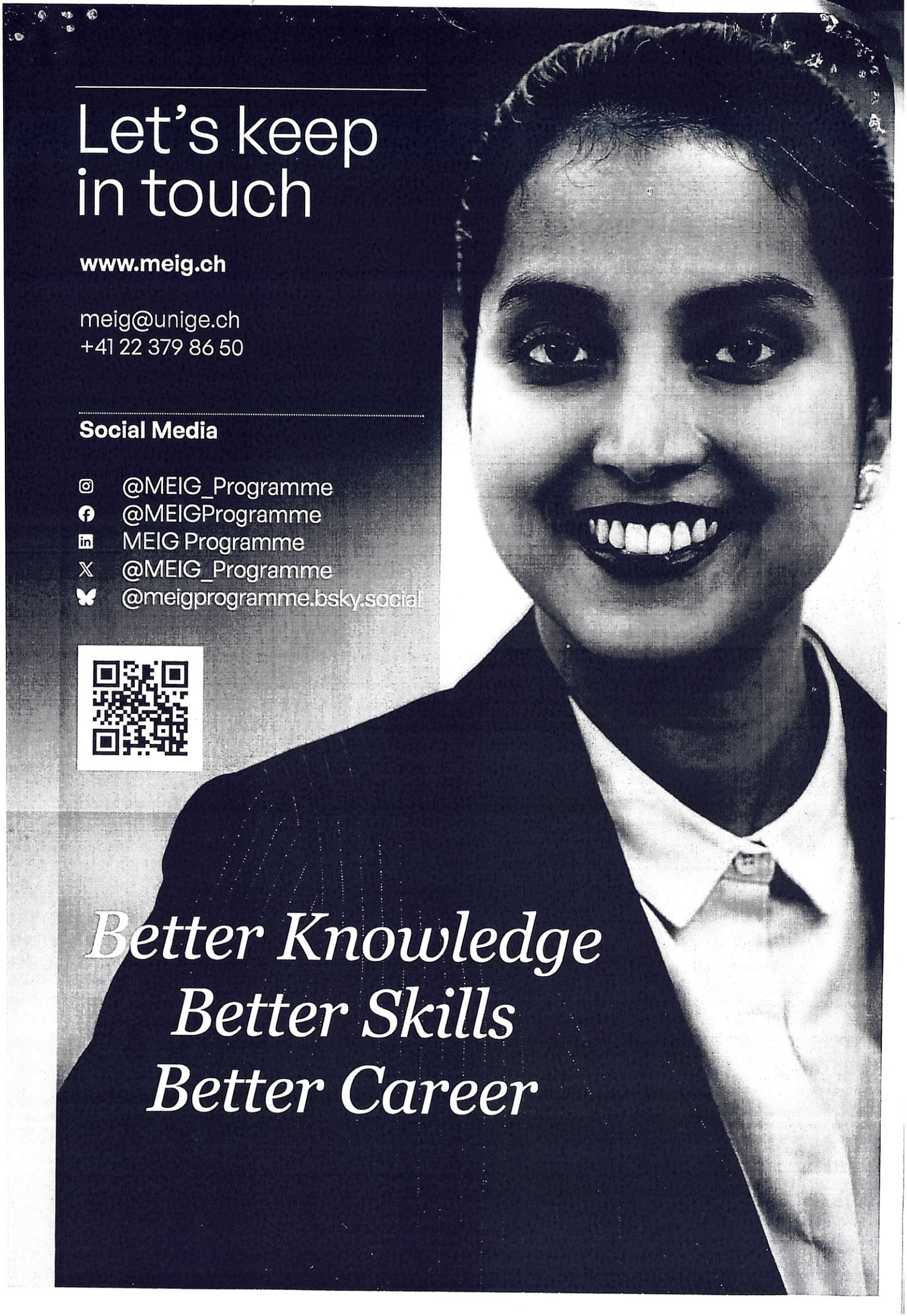


Juliette Béna French

"The MEIG programme was an incredible experience that connected me with inspiring professionals from all over the world. Attending UN conferences made everything we learned feel real and impactful. The diverse perspectives of my classmates truly broadened my thinking. Most excitingly, the programme opened the door for me to join the UNESCO Geneva Liaison Office as an intern—an opportunity that has been both meaningful and career-shaping."



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