

Admission Requirements

The programme is designed for graduate students from all professional or academic backgrounds holding a University First Degree (Bachelor) with a minimum average of B. Graduates with lower qualifications that show proven capabilities and/or sufficient work experience may be also considered for admission. Since English is the language of instruction at AUW, applicants must also meet the specified English proficiency requirements before they can be admitted. This Master programme is for female students only.

Degree Award

For the award of a Master Degree, students must pass all courses and obtain a minimum accumulative average of "B" (70%) in addition to passing the dissertation.

Career Opportunities

Our prospective graduates can pursue careers in a wide range of areas of specialisation and in various types of institutions including federal and state governments, academic and research institutions, national and international NGOs and civil society organization. Also, master degrees allow students to continue their studies by pursuing a Doctoral Degree.

Steps to Apply

All eligible students must fill in the University application form and attach all requested items.

- Copy of University degree and transcripts
- English proficiency certificate (CPE/5 TOEFL) or the AUW English exam result.
- Two academic/work reference letters
- Copy of ID/Passport

The University graduate application form is available at the registrar office of the RIGDPR and its webpage. It can also be requested to the RIGDPR email address.

Deadlines for Registration

1st submission of Applications: January

2nd submission of Applications: April

3rd Intake of Interviews: July

Please contact the Registrar at the RIGDPR to get the application form.

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Ahfad University for Women

Regional Institute of Gender,
Diversity, Peace and Rights
(RIGDPR)



Master Programme in Gender and Governance (GAG)



The RIGDPR aspires to create a society where women and men are viewed and treated equally and are fully respected, regardless of their ethnicity, religion, socioeconomic and political background, and to create conditions in which all live in peace, dignity, and their rights are protected and respected in a society free from all forms of abuse and violations.



Introduction

Ahfad University has been offering courses on Women Studies since 1986. In 1997 it started a Graduate Studies programme by offering a master in Gender and Development, which led to the establishment of the Institute of Women, Gender and Development (IWGD) in 2000. In 2008, it launched a master in Gender and Peace Studies.

In January 2010, thanks to the five year project RIGDPR funded by the Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation, the old IWGD was promoted to become the **Regional Institute of Gender, Diversity, Peace and Rights** (RIG/DPR). Among other things, it works through a partnership with other Gender Institutes in other African Universities (MAK in Uganda and AAU in Ethiopia) to build capacities at higher education level in Africa, and to promote gender equality and human rights in diversity contexts. On this basis, it launched a new Master programme in **Gender and Governance** last year.

The Master in GAG opens its venues to all students from all over the world and particularly from African countries. Partner Universities and others from East Africa are encouraged to join it through a scholarship fund supported by NORAD for ten students over four years.

Aim of the programme

This programme is aiming to reach gender equality in the areas of leadership, governance and governments. The aim of the programme is to contribute to fulfill the agenda of women's empowerment and enhance efficiency in participation in political life and other public domains.

Moreover, to improve the capacities of graduates by making them more able to compete and work in various fields, especially in areas related to women/gender rights, policies and legislations related to governance, diversity, and applying principles of governance in the public domain (government and civil society) and the private sector.

Learning Outputs

The programme consists of a comprehensive and interdisciplinary package of specialized courses that will enable students to:

1. Master knowledge and critical and analytical skills in issues related to gender equality, human rights, cultural diversity, good governance, multiculturalism and democracy.
2. Apply these theories of good governance in the fields of public administration, economy and democracy building at global, regional and civil society levels.
3. Articulate and develop gender sensitive policies and plans in various domains of development applying governance principles.
4. Independently carry out research work related to good governance indicators.

Course Sequence and Credit Distribution

The Master programme runs over a period of 18 months and includes seven specialized courses in addition to fieldwork and research dissertations making 39 CHs distributed as follows:

Semester 1: Total of 12 CHs (July – Nov)

Gender & Feminism Concepts & Theories
Gender and Multiculturalism
Gender and Governance

Semester 2: Total 12 CHs (Dec - April)

Gender and Economic Governance
Global and Regional Governance
Public Policy and Governance
Research Methods

Semester 3 and 4: Total 15 CHs (May –Nov)

Research Fieldwork and Final Dissertation