

MSc

Disaster Interventions and Humanitarian Aid



Working in humanitarian aid or disasters? Worried about people and the planet? This exciting Masters at the University of Stirling is for you.

Disasters, whether natural or man-made are increasing in frequency and impact, affecting more people, and causing more infrastructural and environmental damage. These include climate change, health pandemics like Covid-19, tsunamis, hurricanes, earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, extreme weather events like floods, droughts and wildfires, chemical spillages, and others including armed conflict.

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There has therefore never been a better time to specialise in this area with there being an increased demand for nations, organisations, and communities to increase their resilience to potential crises and disasters and provide humanitarian assistance to victim-survivors.

Our innovative course assists social workers, practitioners, humanitarian aid workers, health professionals and volunteers to work effectively with victim-survivors of disasters. We'll provide you with the tools to work as a culturally sensitive, reflective practitioner in humanitarian-based disaster settings and facilitate community engagement in devising preventative strategies and reconstruction endeavours once a disaster strikes.



Key benefits of studying our MSc Disaster Interventions and Humanitarian Aid:

- The field-based learning opportunity gives you the chance to shadow practitioners and learn how they deal with the complex dilemmas that they face.
- Guest lectures give you the opportunity to learn from leading disaster researchers from all
 over the world
- You will acquire locality-specific, culturally relevant knowledge and skills to work effectively across borders.

The course offers students the flexibility to learn at their own pace, with the option to attend two specified modules during the summer: **The Social Dimensions of Disasters** and **Disaster Interventions from Green Social Work Perspectives** as Continuing Professional Development Modules (CPD) and receive a Certificate of Attendance, or to attend the modules and complete the relevant assignments to gain credits.

Students can also continue their studies with us to gain a Certificate or PG Diploma in Disaster Interventions and Humanitarian Aid or complete all modules including their dissertations to achieve the full Masters qualification.



Find further course information **here**, including teaching, assessment, module and fee details.

You can also get in touch with the Course Director, Lena Dominelli to ask any questions you might have: lena.dominelli@stir.ac.uk

Award: MSc, PG Dip, PG Cert

Delivery method: Campus based

Duration: 12 months, full-time

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