



## **MA in Iranian Studies – MACIS 2017-2019 Tehran , Iran**

### **About MACIS**

The School of International Relations (SIR) is pleased to announce the beginning of the 7<sup>th</sup> round of the MA degree program in Iranian Studies for international students in the coming September. This unique degree is especially designed to meet the increasing global demand for an accredited academic program focusing on Contemporary Iran.

MACIS is a one and half-year program requiring 32 credits for coursework and 4 credits for the research essay in fulfillment of the official requirements of graduate studies in the Islamic Republic of Iran.

While the general orientation of the program is to concentrate on the politics and foreign relations of Iran, the courses offered are interdisciplinary and examine, among others, the Iranian political history, geography, and economy; Iranian culture and society; Iranian foreign policy; Iranian relations with international organizations; Iran and the Middle East; and, Iran and regional / international security.

Visit to the historical cities of Isfahan and Shiraz will be arranged on voluntary basis to provide the students with realities about Iran's glorious past and attractive present.

## **Syllabus of Master of Arts in Contemporary Iranian Studies** **(Macis)**

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| 1  | Methodology of research in International relations  |
| 2  | Persian language                                    |
| 3  | International politics                              |
| 4  | Theoretical Developments in International Relations |
| 5  | Political History of Iran                           |
| 6  | Islamic Republic of Iran Foreign Policy             |
| 7  | Iran & Middle East Countries                        |
| 8  | Society and Culture in Iran                         |
| 9  | Political Economy of Iran                           |
| 10 | Politics & Government in Iran                       |
| 11 | International & Political Economy                   |
| 12 | International and Regional security system          |
| 13 | Geopolitics of Iran                                 |
| 14 | Iran & International and Regional Organizations     |
| 15 | Traditional Rituals of Iranian national groups      |
| 16 | Energy Economic & Natural Resources of Iran         |
| 17 | Iran & Superpowers                                  |

**Note:** 28 credits out of 30 following credit courses would be instructed

### **Admission Requirement**

Prospective applicants must hold a qualified BA or BSC, preferably in the humanities, to be sealed by the Embassy of the Islamic Republic of Iran in their respective country or by the embassy of their respective country in Tehran and to be approved by the Ministry of Science, Research and Technology of the Islamic Republic of Iran. They must also submit the Application for Admission (download from the Website); detailed Resume (CV); Official Transcript (two copies); Proof of Proficiency in the English Language; Personal Statement (outlining how the program fits in with academic / professional needs and objectives); Samples of Essay; Letters of Recommendation (two sealed academic / professional reference letters); Six Recent Passport-sized Photographs; and, Copy of the Main Pages of Passport.

### **Language Requirement**

The working language of the program is English. Applicants must provide proof of their proficiency in English along with the application for admission.

The School will provide optional Persian language courses to the students throughout the program.

## **MA Graduation Requirement**

The MA degree will be awarded by the School of International Relations in accordance with the official national rules and regulations of Iranian Ministry of Science, Research and Technology.

## **Tuition and Expenses**

Tuition fee for the academic programs 10,000 Euros, payable at once or in two installments. The SIR offers up to 50 percent discount for the diplomats and/or their family residing in Iran as well as other foreign officials or staff of governmental organizations directly related to foreign affairs, upon official introduction by their own respective embassy or institution.

The students who require housing accommodation and meals would pay 4,500 Euros extra.

## **Dates and Deadlines**

The academic year is scheduled to begin on September 2017. The deadline for sending the relevant documents is the 1<sup>st</sup> June 2017. Date of the course is announced in the website of the School and also through diplomatic channels.

## **Student Support Center**

The Student Support Center of the School of International Relations will assist the applicants admitted to the MA in Iranian Studies in obtaining visas through the Embassies and Consulates General of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

The Center would provide facilities for the arrival, housing accommodation, health insurance, and other needs of the students of the School of International Relations. The center makes the necessary housing arrangements for married couples as well.

## **Forwarding Address**

The address of the School of International Relations is as bellow. All materials and correspondences must be forwarded to:

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