Programme overview

LUMID is a two-year interdisciplinary programme focusing on international development and management. In recognition of the complexity of development issues at hand, the programme welcomes lecturers and students from various disciplines (including engineering, natural sciences, medicine and humanities in addition to social science).

The programme offers students a unique combination of theoretical knowledge, applied research methods, and management tools and skills pertaining to a range of current development areas and challenges. These different aspects of international development research and practice are being integrated through programme courses, internships, field work research, and complementary initiatives, such as the Development Practitioners Seminar and the alumni network, that give LUMID an edge over other Master’s programmes in the same field.

LUMID is a member of the Global Association for Master’s in Development Practice (MDP), a premier network of development Master’s programmes, and is as such a partner to several esteemed higher education institutions across the world.

Features of the programme

• Qualitative assessment of processes and methods used in international development projects and programme management
• Formulation of project proposals and project design
• Knowledge and practical experience of project monitoring, strategic planning and carrying out of organisational assessments
• An understanding of theories related to international development and specialised knowledge in natural resource management, global health and social development
• Qualitative and quantitative data collection methods
• Collecting and analysing primary as well as secondary data on the basis of field work in a developing country
• Extensive experience of peer reviewing fellow students work, both verbally and in writing

Programme modules/courses

COURSES AND NUMBER OF CREDITS: International Development Perspectives (15), Theory of Science and Methods (15), Development Organisations and Programme Management (7.5), Global Health (7.5), Sustainable Development and Natural Resource Management (7.5), Rural and Urban Development and Livelihoods (7.5), Field Studies of Programme Management (22.5), Field Methods (7.5), Master’s degree thesis (30).

Career prospects

The programme prepares students for a career in international aid and development cooperation, or for further academic studies with this profile. Seventy per cent of our students find work within the development sector within a year of graduating. The graduates attribute this to the programme’s management component, as well as the rigorous field training and experience they gather during their second year of study.

Our alumni have successfully gained employment in an extensive number of development organisations worldwide, ranging from multilateral organisations (e.g. various UN agencies, the World Bank) and international aid and cooperation agencies (e.g. Sida) to non-governmental organisations (NGOs).

“I spent the third semester field studies component of the programme in Chile, where I applied nearly every lecture and theoretic exercise from the previous academic year. Actually ‘doing’ what we all had been discussing really made this Master’s stand out against others.”

David J. Isaak, from USA, now working as a Foreign Service Officer, U.S. Agency for International Development
Entry requirements and how to apply

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
A Bachelor’s degree. To be eligible for the programme students must also have a minimum average grade in their Bachelor’s studies equivalent to 3.0 in cumulated grade point average (CGPA) out of 4, C in the ECTS grading scale, and B in the American grading scale. For students with Swedish undergraduate studies the minimum requirement is G. English 6/English Course B. See www.lunduniversity.lu.se for details on English proficiency levels.

HOW TO APPLY
1. Apply online: Go to www.lunduniversity.lu.se/lumid. Click on “Apply” and follow the instructions for the online application at www.universityadmissions.se, the Swedish national application website. Rank the chosen programmes in order of preference.
2. Submit your supporting documents:
   • General supporting documents: Check what documents you need to submit (i.e. official transcripts, degree diploma/proof of expected graduation, translations, proof of English, passport) and how you need to submit them at www.universityadmissions.se.
   • Programme-specific supporting documents: When applying for this programme you also need to submit a statement of purpose of no more than 350 words (the template can be found on www.lumid.lu.se) and a CV listing three reference persons when you apply to this programme.
3. Pay the application fee (when applicable).

SELECTION CRITERIA/ADDITIONAL INFO
The final selection among applicants fulfilling the entry requirements is based on academic degrees, grades on courses, disciplinary background, relevant work experience, and the statement of purpose. Special attention will be paid to the statement of purpose and whether the applicant has completed an undergraduate degree by the start of the programme.

TUITION FEES
There are no tuition fees for EU/EEA citizens. For non-EU/EEA citizens the tuition fee for this programme is SEK 100 000 per year. For details on tuition fees, see www.lunduniversity.lu.se

LUMID – an interdisciplinary programme
The LUMID staff consists of teachers with extensive experience of international development and management, belonging to the Faculty of Engineering, Faculty of Medicine, Faculty of Science, School of Economics and Management, Faculty of Social Sciences and the Centre for Sustainability Studies of the University of Lund. Within these faculties, several disciplines are represented, including earth and ecosystem sciences, economic history, human geography, political science, public health, sociology, sustainability studies and water resource management. The LUMID programme is hosted by the Department of Human Geography, which is a dynamic entity with a strong international reputation for both research and education in development and human geography.

About Lund University
Lund University was founded in 1666 and is repeatedly ranked among the world’s top 100 universities. The University has 42 000 students and more than 7 680 staff based in Lund, Helsingborg and Malmö. We are united in our efforts to understand, explain and improve our world and the human condition.

Lund is Sweden’s most attractive study destination. The University offers one of the broadest ranges of programmes and courses in Scandinavia, based on cross-disciplinary and cutting-edge research.

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