

DURATION OF STUDIES

3 years (6 semesters)

LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION

French

Working knowledge of English required for reading scientific texts.

ENROLMENT AND ADMISSION

CONDITIONS

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Master's Programme

THE MASTER OF MEDICINE

is primarily taught at Geneva University Hospitals (HUG) or affiliated institutions. Theoretical and practical courses are integrated into clinical training modules and focus on clinical procedures and on learning and applying skills in a variety of disciplines, such as internal medicine and primary care, paediatrics, surgery, psychiatry or obstetrics and gynaecology. Some disciplines are crosscutting and studied throughout the programme (e.g. radiology, pathology, clinical pharmacology, forensic medicine and ethics). The third year of the Master's programme is devoted to clinical practice during which students do rotations to strengthen their skills and gain experience.

In accordance with the Swiss federal law on health-care professions (LpMed), all examinations take place on a faculty level, with the exception of those that take place after conferral of the Master's degree, which are federal and common to all Swiss medicine faculties (Federal Examination in Human Medicine - EFMH).

STUDY PROGRAMME

6 semesters (max. 10 semesters) | 180 ECTS credits

First and second-year courses

120 credits

- Introduction to the clinical approach
- Clinical training: internal medicine; paediatrics; surgery; obstetrics and gynaecology; psychiatry; community medicine and primary care; otorhinolaryngology; ophthalmology; neurology; neurosurgery; dermatology; emergency and intensive care; crosscutting disciplines; interprofessional education
- Master's thesis

Third-year courses

60 credits

10 months of elective rotations (Internist medicine, paediatrics, surgery, etc.) including 1 compulsory month with a physician or pediatrician.

Interprofessional education

The dissertation, worth 15 credits, can be based on a research project or case study in areas such as basic medicine, clinical medicine, public health or any other relevant field. Students are required to demonstrate their analytical and communication skills.

The Federal Examination in Human Medicine (EFMH) takes place after the conferral of the Master's in Medicine.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR

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LEVEL OF FRENCH REQUIRED BY UNIGE

Eliminatory general test for non-Francophones, with the exception of the following cases:

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MOBILITY

During the first and second year of the Master's programme, students may complete part of their clinical training abroad. Third-year students may do clinical internships at foreign hospitals (for up to five months) and to do a three-month internship at another university. The Faculty of Medicine offers two-month internships in tropical medicine and international health, including in Cameroon and Nepal.

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PROFESSIONAL PROSPECTS

Studies in human medicine prepare graduates for specific activities in numerous professional fields. Graduates generally begin their professional careers as internal medicine doctors before, in some cases, going on to become clinical chiefs of hospitals or outpatient facilities with a view to pursuing the post-graduate qualification of federal specialist. Many graduates end up working in private or group practices, and some go on to careers in hospitals or at university. But there are many other professional opportunities as well:

- Positions in international or non-governmental organisations
- Role of expert for insurance and health insurance companies, in connection with legal/employment issues
- Positions in medical call centres
- Medical journalism
- Research in the chemical and pharmaceutical industries
- IT and medical statistics
- Non-clinical teaching/research at university

UNIVERSITY TAXES

500 CHF / semester

REGISTRATION

Deadline: 30 April 2020 (28 February 2020 for applicants subject to a visa because of their nationality, as set forth in Swiss federal regulations)

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