



Master in International Cooperation and Development

- Multi-disciplinary studies
- In depth analysis of policies and Practices
- Mentored by reknowned academicians and experts
- Professional insight into development interventions
- Participatory teaching and learning approach
- Internship placement and research
- Part-time mode for working participants
- Global network and exchange

Call for Applications
MICD 4 - Academic Year 2016-2017

Deadline for application: 31st January 2016



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Call for Admission to the fourth edition of the Master in International Cooperation and Development (MICD) is now open for new intake. The new session of the MICD classes are scheduled to start from February 2016 in Kathmandu, Nepal. Deadline for application: Sunday, 31st January 2016.

1. About MICD



MICD is a two-year professional Master's Program aiming to develop competent human resources with specialized knowledge and effective tools to lead and manage projects in the field of development cooperation. The Master's Program is designed to equip learners with academic background and necessary practical knowledge including project management skills required by national and international NGOs, UN agencies, public institutions and other development projects.

In response to the need to train students on international cooperation and development, MICD is designed jointly by Mid-western University (MU) of Nepal and International School of Advanced Studies (ISAS), Kathmandu under academic and technical assistance from University of Pavia in Italy within the framework of global Master in Cooperation and Development Network (CDN) of Pavia. Originally initiated from Pavia in Italy, similar other Master's programs are being offered in Italy, Palestine, Colombia, Kenya and Nepal.

2. Program objectives

- Train and equip participants to achieve the highest professional standards to manage and lead development projects effectively;
- Impart students with academic and practical knowledge and required skill to interpret multi-dimensional issues of development interventions, approaches and modalities;
- Prepare skilled professionals in international cooperation and development field required in public institutions, non-governmental organizations and other development projects .

3. MICD Course Structure

Through a multidisciplinary approach, the Master's Program aims to familiarize students with various disciplines and development experiences. Spread over two years, the Program is structured into main courses covering Development Studies, Development Economics, International Studies, Contemporary Studies, Management Studies and results based Project Cycle Management including Internship and Thesis writing.

MICD is organized in four semesters: while the first three semesters are dedicated to frontal classes, lecturers and classroom teaching learning activities; the fourth semester is dedicated for acquiring practical knowledge and exposure through internship placement in different agencies and thesis writing on development issues.

The Master's Program awards **120 Credit Hours**, equivalent to 1200 marks, and covers 1200 learning hours. Each course is divided into a series of modules under different subjects. MICD classes are conducted in part-time mode, intended to allow full-time working students to continue their work without interruption. Lectures are delivered five days in a week, from Monday to Friday, in the morning **from 6.30am to 9.30am**. MICD classes are delivered in **English** by international and Nepali academicians, experts and practitioners experienced in cooperation and development sector.

4. Who is MICD for?

MICD is open to all interested applicants having minimum of Bachelor's degree in any discipline from an accredited university. It is relevant for persons aspiring for professional career in public sector; national and international agencies; development projects; university and colleges; research institutes; private sector at national and international levels. There is no age limit for applicants.

5. Eligibility

Call for admission is open on yearly basis and maximum 35 students are enrolled into the program. The minimum admission requirements are as follows:

- ♦ **Bachelor's Degree:** Applicants must have Bachelor's Degree in any discipline from an accredited university in Nepal or abroad. The applicants who obtained their academic degrees from abroad will need to submit an equivalency certificate.
- ♦ **English language proficiency:** English is the language of instruction for MICD Program, therefore applicants shall have sound competency in the English language.
- ♦ **Computer skills:** Applicants should have basic computer skills, such as world, excel, PowerPoint, internet, e-mail etc.

6. Required documents

The following documents are **required** for the application and must be enclosed in the application pack for MICD Program:

- Duly completed MICD Application Form, downloadable from the MICD website or obtainable through e-mail;
- Copies of academic degrees (bachelor, intermediate and school level certificates);
- Detailed and updated Curriculum Vitae of the applicant;
- One reference letter either from the current employer or from the college/ University (optional);
- A motivation letter;
- Copy of the citizenship or passport;
- Two pictures (*passport size*);

Highly motivated candidates with experience in the development field will be given preference. Applicants will have to prepare an **application pack** consisting of the documents listed above. The pack will have to be handed over, or sent via registered mail or courier service, to MICD Office.



7. Application procedures

Selection process of the candidates will be carried out by the Selection Committee, based on the following aspects:

1. Assessment of the candidate's application form, academic degrees and records, CV and relevant working experience, recommendation letter, other additional qualifications
2. Entrance exam, test in English language, on general knowledge about development issues
3. Interview with the Selection Committee aimed at evaluating candidate's competency and motivation towards the Program

8. How much it will cost?

NPR 240,000.00 (Two Hundred Forty Thousand Only) is set for the entire two years period of the Master's Program. The Fee is payable on semester basis by enrolled students, **NPR 60,000** (Sixty thousand only) per semester.

9. How do I find out more?

Interested applicants may visit **MICD Office** or contact for further detail, obtaining application form and learn about other requirements. MICD Office will also provide necessary information through email and telephone, please contact at the address below.

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10. The CDN: Cooperation and Development Network of Pavia

MICD is a partner of the Cooperation and Development Network (CDN) of the University of Pavia. Established in 1997, the CDN is the outcome of a joint initiative of various institutions linked with the University of Pavia: the University Institute for Advanced Studies (IUSS), the Centre for International Cooperation and Development (CICOPS) and three Italian NGOs: VIS, COOPI, and CISP. CDN is also supported by the General Directorate for Cooperation and Development of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs. **The CDN Network is constituted by five partner universities, offering similar master's programs, located in Europe, Latin America, Middle East, Asia and Africa.**

