



**MA in Iranian Studies – MACIS  
2015-2016  
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-year program requiring 28 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.

## 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 Resumé (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.

## Tuition and Expenses

Tuition fee for the academic program is 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 autumn 2015. The deadline for sending the relevant documents is the 1<sup>st</sup> September 2015. 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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