The Network on Humanitarian Action (NOHA) Master's is an inter-university, multidisciplinary postgraduate programme, providing high-quality academic and professional competencies for those working or intending to work in the humanitarian sector. Created in 1993 through the efforts of the NOHA Universities and the Directorate-General of the European Commission for Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection (DG ECHO), the NOHA Master's was the first such programme dedicated to Humanitarian Studies. Since then, around 3,000 students have gone through the programme with over 400 completing part or all of their studies at RUB.

The NOHA programme at the Ruhr University Bochum (RUB) is housed at the Institute for International Law of Peace and Armed Conflict (IFHV). The IFHV is one of Europe’s leading academic institutions in international humanitarian law (IHL). Around 25 researchers with backgrounds in law and social sciences conduct inter and multidisciplinary research on the doctoral and postdoctoral level. Their research is organised into four core clusters: IHL+, Refugees and Vulnerable Groups, Networks and Organisations in Humanitarian Crises, and Humanitarian Governance.

The NOHA Bochum Learning path:

In the first semester, all students meet for an introduction to humanitarian action in Warsaw, Poland. This is followed by the first semester, in which students study international law, world politics, public health, anthropology, and management at RUB.

In the second semester, RUB students travel to one of seven other NOHA universities to specialise. Students from other universities come to Bochum for the specialisation in Law and Leadership in Humanitarian Action.

In the third semester, students choose between completing:

Regional Training Track – attend a partner university outside of Europe to research and study humanitarian action with a regional focus.

Work Placement Track – intern at a humanitarian organisation through NOHA or organised by themselves.

In the fourth semester, students focus on researching their master’s thesis of their choosing and submit it to their home university.

Practical Information

- DURATION – 4 semesters (120 ECTS)
- Degree – Joint Master’s Degree in International Humanitarian Action
- Fees – €12,000

Scholarships

- RUB offers a number of scholarships and/or stipends through the Deutschland-stipendium, Erasmus+ mobility stipend and Promos scholarship.
- Approx. 50% of students starting the NOHA Master’s in Bochum receive scholarships!

Admissions

- The application deadline has been extended for one more month. Apply before June 1st.

APPLY ONLINE AT: NOHANET.ORG/MASTERS

Institute for International Law of Peace and Armed Conflict (IFHV)
Bochumer Fenster, 4th floor, Massenbergrstraße 9B, 44787 Bochum, Germany
+49 234 32-21658
ifhv@rub.de

Connect with us

facebook.com/RUB.IFHV  @NOHA_IFHV  www.ifhv.de  ifhv@rub.de