



Refugee and Migration Studies Hub

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Supporting Institutions



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The Refugee and Migration Studies Hub of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, in collaboration with the Harvard François-Xavier Bagnoud (FXB) Center for Health and Human Rights and with the support of the Harvard Center for Hellenic Studies in Greece and the US is offering a three-week intensive interdisciplinary course on migration and refugee studies.

LOCATION

Located at the crossroads of three continents, Greece became a critical frontline country for over 1 million distress migrants, and a testing ground for Europe's new migration management policies. Due to its significant role in receiving and managing large-scale migration in recent years, Greece provides an important location for studying both the theoretical and practical aspects of refugee studies, and the associated challenges of managing large scale forced migration in context. The Summer School will be held in four sites, two of which play a very significant role in the management of migration in Greece and Europe as a whole: 1 week in Athens, 1 week in Olympia and Nafplio, 1 week in Lesbos.



STRUCTURE OF THE SUMMER SCHOOL

Building upon the extensive experience and expertise of both institutions on migration and refugee studies, the course is organized around a rights-based curriculum that draws on legal, medical, environmental and broader social science approaches to migration policy and practice. It is designed to offer participants both conceptual and practical engagement with key issues related to contemporary forced migration. The course will include lectures, seminars, interactive class sessions and fieldwork. Expert lecturers will include distinguished academics, politicians, leaders of international organizations, civil society organizations and migrant/refugee groups. Key benefit of this course is that successful applicants will have the opportunity to interact with local human rights organizations and gain valuable insight into challenges and best practices.

CORE FACULTY

Harvard University

- Professor Jacqueline Bhabha, Professor of the Practice of Health and Human Rights and FXB Center Director of Research, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health
- Dr. Vasileia Digidiki, Harvard Instructor and FXB Health and Human Rights Fellow

National and Kapodistrian University of Athens

- Professor Emmanuella Doussis, Professor of International and European Studies
- Professor Maria Gavouneli, Professor of International Law
- Dr. Evika Karamagioli, Sc. Ass., MSc Global Health–Disaster Medicine, Faculty of Medicine
- Professor Manos Pikoulis, Professor of General Surgery, Dean of School of Health Sciences
- Professor George Pleios, Professor of Communication and Media Studies

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO ATTEND?

The Summer School is open to all students enrolled in European and US Universities, including graduate students, doctoral and postdoctoral researchers, as well as young scholars and practitioners. Enrollment is limited to 32 students, 16 of which will be selected by the RMS Hub to join 16 Harvard graduate students.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE & FEES

- Submission of applications: **20/11/2023-22/1/2024**
 - Announcement of successful candidates: **31/1/2024**
 - Deadline for payment of deposit: **20/2/2023** - deposit in the amount of **1500Euros** (deposit is not refundable)
 - Deadline for payment of the full amount: **30/3/2024**
 - Fees for students who do not have accommodation in Athens: **3.850,00Euros**
 - Fees for students who have accommodation in Athens: **3.100,00Euros**
- **We do not refund the full amount of fees if participants decide to cancel after June 1**
Individual cases can be considered, and refunds will depend on the discretion of the organizers.

ACCOMMODATION & TRANSPORTATION

These fees cover:

- accommodation in all locations (except for accommodation in Athens for Athens-based students)
- two meals per day
- transportation expenses within Greece for the purposes of the Summer School.

In Athens, Nafplio and Olympia participants will share double occupancy rooms in the respective hotels. In Lesvos, students will stay in single occupancy rooms. If students wish to stay in single-occupancy rooms in Athens and Nafplio instead, they should clarify this in their application forms. There will be additional costs for single-occupancy rooms. Breakfast is offered in all hotels. Lunch will also be provided and be covered by the programme for 5 days of the week. Though some dinners will be covered by the programme, students will need to make their own dinner arrangements for most of their stay. Land and sea transportation for specifically defined programme activities will also be covered. Air transportation to and from Greece is not covered.

SUMMARY

Language: English

Location: Athens, Olympia, Nafplio, Lesvos / Greece

Website: rms.uoa.gr

Contact: summerschool-rms@uoa.gr

DATES

Arrival in Greece: 5/7/2024

End of program: 28/7/2024

Return to Athens: 29/7/2024

Application Deadline: 22/1/2024

Notification of decision: 31/1/2024

Deposit due: 20/2/2024

Full amount due: 30/3/2024

Duration: 3 weeks (5 July – 28 July 2024)

REFUGEE & MIGRATION STUDIES HUB

The Refugee and Migration Studies Hub is an independent academic unit, established in 2021. Experience on the field has shown that it is practically impossible to address the crucial challenges created by refugee and migratory flows without a more holistic understanding of the causes and effects of such movements, the international legal framework regulating them or any lack thereof, the practical issues of addressing the health and welfare needs of humanity in the move and the communication tools available to shape the perception of such movements by the wider public and the body politic.

Within this framework, the Refugee and Migration Studies Hub was established in order to conduct and promote interdisciplinary research on the various forms of migration flows and to contribute to an integrative perception of this global contemporary phenomenon.

The Refugee and Migration Studies Hub is an initiative of the Law School, the Medical School, the Department of Political Science and Public Administration, and the Department of Communication and Media Studies of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens.

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