

# Curriculum for Master Disaster Resilience Leadership and Humanitarian Assistance

## Background

The overall aim of the Master program is to develop a generation of disaster resilience leaders (DRL) as well as strengthen the capacity of existing leaders in the field of DRM.

The course specifically strengthens leadership and resilience competencies of participants to increase their effectiveness and involvement in disaster risk reduction and management and humanitarian assistance.

The course is designed as a modular programme with the duration of eighteen (18) months, involving eighteen (18) taught modules and a field practicum plus a dissertation.

The course is designed around seven domains including conceptual fundamentals of disaster resilience, resilience programming concept and application, resilience learning, resilience research, measurement and analytics, monitoring and evaluation in DRM, disaster resilience leadership and climate change, environment and health.

The Master programme is designed to target individuals with an interest in addressing issues of disaster risk through a community development focus. It is ideally suited for persons with a basic degree and who are into their early to mid-careers.

The Method of instruction is a weekend based with mandatory physical class attendance as well as virtual platform which gives the opportunity to learn through e-learning. The assessment covers compulsory course works and field project which will be done as well as a continuous assessment, face to face written and oral final exam to qualify for the postgraduate degree Master in Disaster Resilience Leadership and Humanitarian Assistance.

## Who should apply?

The course is open to Somalis and non- Somalis who fulfill the admission requirements, applicants should possess a minimum of;

- Bachelor Degree
- Computer literate
- Have regular internet access (not provided in this course)
- Fluent in English
- Have at least working experience in DRM related activities

Tuition Fees: 2000 USD.

## Application Procedure:

1. Application forms can be down loaded from our website: <http://sdri.so> or you can contact Benadir University Postgraduate and SDRI Admission Focal Person Mr. Abdalla Adan Kulan at [admission@sdri.so](mailto:admission@sdri.so)/[info@sdri.so](mailto:info@sdri.so) or [postgraduate@benadiruniversity.edu.so](mailto:postgraduate@benadiruniversity.edu.so)
2. A recommendation from one referee, copies of the relevant academic transcripts and certificates should be attached and then emailed to the Admission Focal person

For more information, please contact us at [info@sdri.so](mailto:info@sdri.so) or [admission@sdri.so](mailto:admission@sdri.so)

## **Year 1**

### **First Trimester Modules**

The first trimester modules are six with a total of 13 credit hours. Each module will be conducted within a period of three weeks, including end of module examination. The module summary and synopsis are presented below.

<b>Year 1</b>			
<b>First Trimester Modules</b>			
Course Code	Course Title(Name)	Credit	Duration
<b>First Trimester Courses</b>			
DRL100	1- Conceptual Understanding of Disaster Resilience and Humanitarian Action	2	3wks
DRL101	2- Disaster Resilience Programming: Concepts and Applications	3	3wks
DRL102	3- Role of Leadership and Institutions in Resilience and Humanitarian Action	2	3wks
DRL103	4. Early Warning Systems for Disaster and Climate Change Risk Reduction	2	3wks
DRL104	5- Logistics Management in Resilience and Humanitarian Aid	2	3wks
DRL105	6- Emergency Response Planning, Management and Coordination	2	3wks
Total		13	18 wks

### **SECOND TRIMESTER MODULES**

There are a total of six (6) core modules with a total of eleven (15) credit hours required to be taken in the second trimester. The table below shows the summary of modules, the codes, credit hours and duration.

#### **SECOND TRIMESTER MODULES**

<b>Second Trimester Modules</b>			
Course Code	Course Title(Name)	Credit	Duration
DRL201	1- Advanced Resilience Programming in Arid and Semi Arid Lands	2	3wks
DRL202	2- Environmental Risk and Impact assessment	2	3wks
DRL203	3- Advanced Disaster Resilience Research Methods	4	3wks
DRL204	4- Human Rights and Legal Protection in Disasters	2	3wks
DRL205	5- Resilience Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning	3	3wks
DRL206	6- GIS and Remote Sensing in Disaster Risk Management	2	3wks
Total		15	18 wks

### **Third Trimester Courses**

The Somali Disaster Resilience Institute operates a trimester system, with the third trimester usually dedicated to consolidating courses with community-based field practical

training. During the third trimester students will take five (5) theoretical modules and a community-based field practicum with a total of eleven (11) credit hours required to be taken in the second trimester. The details of these modules are presented below:

#### Third Trimester Courses

Third Trimester Modules			
Code	Course	Credits	Duration
DRL 301	1- Displacement, Vulnerability and Social Protection Analysis	2	3wks
DRL 303	2- Livelihoods, Food Security and Nutrition	2	3wks
DRL 304	3- Public Health Systems in Emergencies	2	3wks
DRL 305	4- Disaster Resilience in Urban Settings	2	3wks
DRL 306	5- Disaster Resilience Leadership Field Practicum	3	4wks
Total		11	16 Wks

## Second Year

### First Trimester Modules

Students enrolled in the programme must complete two elective courses and a dissertation. The table below outlines modules from which elective choices can be made.

#### First Trimester Modules

Electives (Two Modules, 4 Credit Hours)			
Code	Courses	Credits	Duration
DRL 401	1. Conflict Analysis, Resolution and Peace building	2	3wks
DRL 402	2. Crisis Response and Resilience Innovation	2	3wks
DRL 403	3. Pastoral and Agro-pastoral Natural Resource Management	2	3wks
DRL 404	4. Islamic and Indigenous Knowledge in Disaster Resilience	2	3wks
DRL 405	5. Gender, Disaster Risk Reduction and Development	2	3wks
DRL 406	6. Communication in Disaster Resilience	2	
Total		4	6wks
Dissertation 4 Credit Hours (4 Months)			
DRL501	1. Dissertation	6	22 wks
<b>Total Credit Hours and Weeks</b>		49	78