

UNIVERSITY OF BELGRADE

announces

CALL FOR APPLICANTS

for enrollment in interdisciplinary master academic studies in English
study program

CLIMATE CHANGE AND ADAPTATION TO CLIMATE CHANGE (60 ECTS)

In the 2025/2026. academic year

The purpose of the study program is to educate students for the profession Master Climate Change Analyst, who are qualified to understand complex, multi- and interdisciplinary issues of climate change and to solve complex problems in practice in an innovative way that contributes to development in the field of climate change and adaptation to climate change.

Bearing in mind the global climate challenges, the Climate Change and Adaptation to Climate Change study program ensures the acquisition of competencies that are of strategic importance for society and economy. This is in accordance with the objectives of the University of Belgrade, which strives to ensure the conditions for the development of a knowledge-based society, then to enable its continuous economic and cultural progress, as well as to ensure the preservation and improvement of human rights and freedoms. Also, the Republic of Serbia has been a member of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change since 2001, as well as the Paris Agreement since 2017. National ambitions regarding mitigation measures and adaptation to climate change are also motivated by the fact that material damage was caused by climate change and extreme weather events in Serbia in the period from year 2015 to year 2020 estimated at at least 1.8 billion euros, while material damages in the period from 2000 to year 2015 estimated at at least five billion euros.

The proposed master's program in the field of climate change will provide future students with a variety of career paths. They will acquire knowledge and skills that will equip them for leadership roles in different positions and in different professions: governmental, non-governmental, managerial, entrepreneurial, engineering, IT, legal, scientific, journalistic and many others related to the consequences of climate change.

Objectives of the study program:

- (1) Formation of fundamental and applied knowledge, abilities, skills and attitudes required for dealing with long-term, interdisciplinary challenges imposed by climate change.
- (2) Understanding global and regional climate changes, their causes and consequences, as well as the impact on society, economic development and the economy, i.e. the sectors that, in the framework of the National Reports of the Republic of Serbia according to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, are designated as the most vulnerable to the negative impacts of climate change such as the agriculture, public health, forestry, water management, energy and infrastructure sectors.
- (3) Acquiring knowledge and skills that would enable finding solutions for mitigation and adaptation to the consequences of climate change, as well as understanding conventions, agreements and strategies on climate change.

The study program deals with the global and regional challenges of climate change through the pervasion of expert knowledge, an excellent research environment, as academically dedicated students, all with the aim of developing a specific study environment within the competences that can respond to the conditions of the modern market.

Upon completion of the study, candidates acquire the title of **Master climate change analyst**.

The official website of the study program can be found at <https://www.bg.ac.rs/klimatske-promene/>

The study program **Climate change and adaptation to climate change** and its classes are run in English.

ENROLLMENT REQUIREMENTS AND CONDITIONS

Applicants who have completed undergraduate studies lasting four years under previous regulations, or four-year undergraduate academic studies (240 ECTS), are eligible to enroll in the Master's academic program *Climate Change and Adaptation to Climate Change*. A candidate who has completed integrated studies or a Master's academic program, having obtained at least 300 ECTS (180 ECTS + 120 ECTS), may also enroll in the Master's academic studies.

Candidates who meet the above-mentioned requirements are eligible for admission to the Master's program in the field of climate change if they have completed their previous studies in scientific or professional fields within the educational-scientific **domains of natural sciences and mathematics, technical and technological sciences, or social sciences and humanities**, at national and/or international universities.

A requirement for enrollment in the study program conducted in English is proof of English language proficiency at an upper-intermediate level = B2 – a certificate such as the Cambridge Advanced Certificate in English (CAE) or IELTS (International English Language Testing System), or completed secondary education in the English language.

To the master's academic study program **Climate change and adaptation to climate change** in English, in the academic year 2025/2026. - **5 students will enroll and all five students will be admitted on a self-financing basis.**

To enroll in this study program, the General Statements of the call for enrollment of students in master programs of the University of Belgrade for the 2025/2026 academic year also apply. These are available at: <https://www.bg.ac.rs/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/MAS-opsti-uslovi25.pdf>

RANKING CRITERIA

The ranking of candidates will be provided the final ranking list, which is formed considering the following criteria:

- general average grade in the undergraduate studies
- duration of study

General average grade in the undergraduate studies

If a candidate has completed a 240 ECTS undergraduate studies, their general average grade is the GPA from the undergraduate studies multiplied by 10 and represents the starting number of points, **p**. If a candidate has completed a 180 ECTS undergraduate study program *and* a 120 ECTS master program, thus earning the total of 300 ECTS, their starting number of points, **p**, is calculated as follows:

$$p = \frac{GPA_{\text{undergrad}} \times ECTS_{\text{undergrad}} + GPA_{\text{master}} \times ECTS_{\text{master}}}{ECTS_{\text{undergrad}} + ECTS_{\text{master}}}$$

For candidates who have acquired a higher education degree according to the regulations that were valid until the day the Law on Higher Education came into force, the starting number of points, **p**, from undergraduate studies is calculated as above and includes the diploma thesis, if it exists.

Duration of study

The total number of points for success in undergraduate studies is also affected by the duration of undergraduate studies, through a coefficient **d** calculated according to the following formula:

$$d = \text{estimated duration of study} / \text{actual duration of study}$$

where the **estimated duration of study** is the number of years from the certificate of accreditation of the study program of undergraduate studies multiplied by 365, and the **actual duration of study** is the number of days elapsed from the beginning of the school year in which the student first enrolled in the study program, till the date of completion of that study program (as specified on the graduation certificate).

The total number of points, **b**, relevant for the applicant's ranking, is calculated as **b = p · d**.

This total number of points is not affected by the fact that the candidate may have completed more than one undergraduate study program.

TUITION FEE

The amount of annual tuition for foreign students 2,500.00 euros. Tuition can be paid in four installments.

DOCUMENTS TO SUBMIT

Candidates submit the following documents when applying to the call for applicants:

- short CV (maximum 200 words) and information on possible work experience
- completed application form (available on the University website)
- diploma and diploma supplement or certificate of completed undergraduate study program and transcript of passed exams
- Proof of English language proficiency at an upper-intermediate level = B2 – a certificate such as the Cambridge Advanced Certificate in English (CAE) or IELTS (International English Language Testing System), or completed secondary education in the English language.
- decision on recognition of a foreign higher education document or confirmation that the recognition procedure for continuing education has been initiated (only for candidates who have a foreign higher education document). The recognition procedure for continuing education at our University must be started **no later than fifteen days before the end of the deadline provided by this Call for applicants.**
- confirmation of payment for the costs of the application processing

The costs of the application processing are 2,500 dinars (University Account No. 840-1835666-14, transaction code 422)

At the request of the Administration Officer of the master studies, the candidate will submit a decision / certificate on the accreditation of the institution and the previously completed study program.

DEADLINES

The candidates for enrollment in the first year of master's academic studies should apply between October 6, 2025, and October 31, 2025.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED EXCLUSIVELY VIA REGULAR MAIL (POSTAL SERVICE) TO THE ADDRESS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF BELGRADE RECTORATE, STUDENTSKI TRG NO. 1, OFFICE NO. 5. APPLICATIONS SENT BY EMAIL WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

IMPORTANT NOTE: ALL APPLICATIONS TO THE CALL MUST BE RECEIVED BY OCTOBER 31, 2025, UP TO 16:00 HOURS.

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