Masters in International Affairs & Governance (MIA)

MIA Mornings: Skills & Competencies

**MIA MORNINGS**

The MIA Mornings course consists of workshops designed to provide students with the opportunity to learn and deepen their thematic, methodological and professional skills and competencies necessary for the effective completion of their studies and a successful career.

In each of the morning-based workshops a specific skill or topic is trained and emphasized on the basic, intermediate or advanced level. The programme requires students to participate in 5 workshops in order to pass the course. Workshops may be offered more than once, offering students more choice and flexibility. Each workshop is assessed through a small problem set to be completed within a week, plus the student’s active participation in class.

If you would like to see a workshop on a particular (thematic, methodological or professional) skill, please inform the programme directors by sending a message to mia@unisg.ch, clearly specifying your request.

**LEARNING OBJECTIVES:**

MIA Morning workshops are designed to:

- “fill the gap” in proficiencies in regard to the thematic, methodological and professional skills and competencies necessary for the effective completion of students’ studies and a successful career;
- strengthen students’ competency in proactively planning their studies and future career;
- accommodate heterogeneous disciplinary backgrounds and interests;
- enable students to train major skills and competencies needed for the effective writing of their MA theses.

**EXAMPLE WORKSHOPS**

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Workshops take place on Mondays and Wednesdays, 8am—10am.