MESCI Alumni voices:

I think, economics is one of the most important pivots of urban development.
Mohammad Rasel Kabir
Alumnus 2017-18, from Bangladesh

The MESCI programme is more challenging continuation of Mundus Urbano program, but it is certainly a strong complement to my technical knowledge in architecture.
Romina Naydenova
Alumna 2017-18, from Belgium

Understanding the global economic processes will enable me to go further with a bigger impact in my initiatives.
Alpen Benli
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**What is MESCI?**

**MESCI** is a unique one-year international post-graduate programme taught in English. It is tailored for students who aspire to take leadership roles in Italian and global organizations in the field of international cooperation and development (in both the public and private sectors).

**MESCI** provides an intensive course programme which consists of a number of theoretical and practical disciplines, including those that play a crucial role in economic sciences, such as micro- and macroeconomics, econometrics and statistics. Students will acquire an in-depth understanding of the economic determinants of development. Students will gain knowledge and skills necessary to produce analysis and applied research on poverty, inequality, education, growth, labour, credit, gender, environmental and trade issues.

The **MESCI** programme is curated by the professors from the School of Economics at the University of Rome “Tor Vergata” and is supported by other guest lecturers of Italian and foreign universities. In order to strengthen practical knowledge and skills, the curriculum is further extended by guest practitioners, researchers, experts from institutions, departments and organizations operating in the field of development economics and international cooperation.

Graduates of the **MESCI** programme will have a number of organizations to choose from (UNDP, WTO, OECD, ILO, IMF, WB, WFP, UNIDO, UNICEF, FAO, IFAD) for both internships and future career opportunities.

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**CURRICULUM**

**SEMESTER I**

1. Quantitative Methods
   1. Mathematics
   2. Statistics
   3. Econometrics
   4. Introduction to STATA

2. Economics
   1. Microeconomics
   2. Macroeconomics
   3. International Economics

3. Credit, Growth, Welfare, Inequality & Poverty
   1. Participatory approach to sustainable development
   2. Welfare, inequality and poverty: theory, measurement and estimation
   3. Economic growth

**SEMESTER II**

4. Project & Programme Implementation & Evaluation
   1. Development cycle management & planning
   2. Project appraisal: theory, techniques & application
   3. Impact evaluation

5. Education & Gender
   1. Education and development
   2. Gender and development
   3. Human capital and migration
   4. Child labour

6. Environmental economics, sustainable development and governance
   1. Making the sustainability transition work – data, policies and behaviours
   2. Environment and Development
   3. Sustainable development and rural change
   4. Governance - issues and challenges

**FINAL THESIS**

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