



# UNIVERSITY DIPLOMA IN HUMANITARIAN CRISES, SOLIDARITY AND INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

Saint Joseph University of Beirut, School  
of Social Work

In partnership with  
Bioforce Institute (France)

With the support of  
Community Jameel and Fondation Mérieux



## FULL SCHOLARSHIPS MENA Region

### DURATION OF STUDY

One academic year, from early November 2026  
till end of July 2027

### REQUIREMENT FOR OBTAINING THE DIPLOMA

Final project

### MODULES AND ORGANIZATION

**Hours:** 200 hours including 150 hours of lectures  
and 50 hours dedicated to the final project

**Credits:** 20 credits (transferable within the ESTS  
Master program)

**Language of instruction:** Arabic

**Format:** Online sessions (c/o calendar)

**Lectures will be delivered by experts from ESTS  
and Bioforce**

## LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Analyzing a crisis situation and its multidimensional impact on individuals, society, and the State
- Identifying humanitarian issues and challenges in a crisis by describing the humanitarian context, mechanisms, and main stakeholders
- Developing emergency response initiatives and post-crisis development projects based on solidarity, partnership, and international cooperation
- Managing and supporting teams in achieving creative and transformative objectives

## CANDIDATES

This university diploma is intended for:

- Professionals currently working for a local or international organization in the fields of humanitarian action, development, or social work.
- Master's students in social work, political science, humanities, management, etc., as well as Master's students who wish to enter this field.

## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Fluency in Arabic.
- Basic proficiency in English.
- Between 1 and 7 years of professional experience in the humanitarian or development sector (including internships).

## REQUIRED ADMISSION DOCUMENTS

(Documents may be submitted in English, French, or Arabic. No translation is required.)

- 1- A passport-sized photo
- 2- A recent individual civil status record or ID. For foreigners, a copy of the passport.
- 3- For applicants who completed their Baccalaureate in Lebanon: a copy of the Lebanese Baccalaureate certificate or its equivalent, certified by the Lebanese Ministry of Education and Higher Education. For applicants who completed their Baccalaureate abroad: a copy of the Baccalaureate certificate.
- 4- Certified copy of the bachelor's degree (by the awarding university only)
- 5- Curriculum vitae
- 6- Motivation letter

**Admission documents to be sent via email to:**  
**secretariat.ests@usj.edu.lb**

**Application deadline: October 23, 2026 (inclusive).**

## TUITION FEES

The tuition fees for the 20 credits covered by the course amount to EUR 3,400

## SCHOLARSHIPS

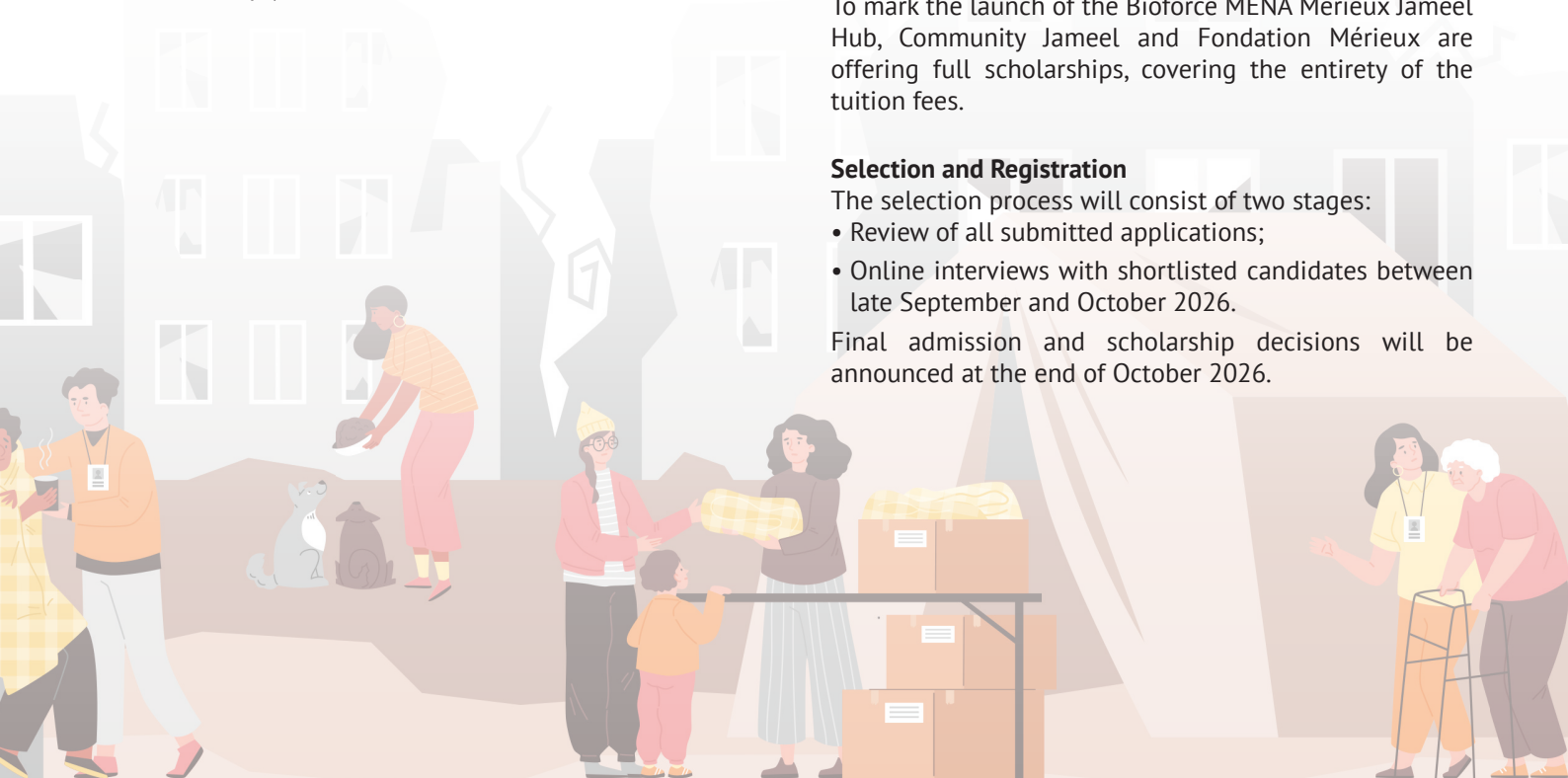
To mark the launch of the Bioforce MENA Mérieux Jameel Hub, Community Jameel and Fondation Mérieux are offering full scholarships, covering the entirety of the tuition fees.

## Selection and Registration

The selection process will consist of two stages:

- Review of all submitted applications;
- Online interviews with shortlisted candidates between late September and October 2026.

Final admission and scholarship decisions will be announced at the end of October 2026.





## Tentative training dates:

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| Day                                                     | Time / PM                                                        | Online |
|---------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| November 5, 10, 12, 17, 19, 24, and 26, 2026            | 2 hours/session<br>(From 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. )                      | Online |
| December 1, 3, and 8, 2026                              |                                                                  |        |
| December 10, 15, 17, and 22, 2026                       | 2 hours/session<br>(From 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. )                      |        |
| January 5, 7, 12, 14, 19, 21, 26, and 28, 2027          |                                                                  |        |
| February 2, 4, 9, 11, 16, 18, 23, and 25 2027           |                                                                  |        |
| March 2, 4, 16, 18, 23, and 30, 2027                    |                                                                  |        |
| April 1, 6, and 8, 2027                                 |                                                                  |        |
| April 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 19,20,21,22, and 23, 2027 | 2 Application weeks: 3 hours per day<br>(From 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. ) |        |
| April 27 and 29, 2027                                   | 3 hours/session<br>(From 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. )                      |        |
| May 4, 6, 11, 13, 18, 20, 25, and 27, 2027              |                                                                  |        |
| June 1, 3, 8, 10, 17, 22, 24, 29, and 30, 2027          |                                                                  |        |



**Final project submission deadline: July 2027**

For more information, visit: [usj.edu.lb/ests](https://usj.edu.lb/ests)

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