



Master in

# MIGRATION STUDIES

## CONTEXT AND RELEVANCE

The Universidad Iberoamericana (Ibero) is an institution entrusted to the Society of Jesus, whose mission is to contribute to the achievement of a more free, solidary, just, inclusive, productive and peaceful society. The attention and defense of migrant persons is a way to contribute to the fulfillment of this mission. Our Master's in Migration Studies Program seeks to train professionals addressing assistance and management of immigrant populations in North and Central America, refining the traditional paradigms of Migration Studies. This will be achieved by developing novel methodologies that allow the identification of new routes, motivations of immigration and emigration, new categories of analysis and other poorly addressed expressions of migratory changes. Professionalization will allow an orderly management of migration (regulation and administration), critical to reduce the vulnerable situation and insecurity that accompanies human displacement, exacerbated by current public policies.

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## LINKAGE

The program has multiple formal and informal avenues of collaboration and exchange with national and foreign higher education, civil and governmental institutions and national and foreign research centers, for both students and professors. We underscore the following links:

- *Centro de Estudios Internacionales Gilberto Bosques del Senado de la República*
- *Comisión Mexicana para la Atención de los Refugiados (COMAR)*
- *Committees on Migratory Affairs of the Senate and the Chamber of Deputies*
- *Instituto de Estudios y Divulgación sobre Migración*
- *Instituto de las Mujeres en la Migración*
- *Laboratorio de Investigación Social Justicia en Movimiento, A.C.*
- *Mexico's General Consulates in New York and Los Angeles*
- *Movimiento Migrante Mesoamericano*
- *Network of more than 20 migratory route shelters, especially in the states of Chiapas, Oaxaca, Veracruz, Tabasco, Mexico City, Querétaro, San Luis Potosí, Coahuila, Sonora, Baja California and Tamaulipas*
- *Secretarías de Comunicaciones y Transportes, Desarrollo Social, Relaciones Exteriores, Cultura, Educación*
- *Servicio Jesuita a Migrantes y Refugiados*
- *Sin Fronteras*
- *State Governments of Chiapas, Tabasco, Oaxaca and Michoacán, among others*
- *Universidad de Sevilla*
- *University of San Francisco*

## OBJECTIVES

### General

To train researchers with a sound theoretical and methodological base, interdisciplinary approach and ethical and humanist attitude to generate changes in the paradigm of the study and management of migration through the design, implementation, and evaluation of policies, programs and/or intervention projects in this field.

### Specific

1. To develop new methodologies and interpretation strategies to analyze this mobility phenomenon and discover new profiles, routes, modalities, causes and other factors related with migration, expanding the explanatory horizon and complementing it with new categories of analysis. Developed methodologies will have the migrant person as the central actor.
2. To explain, based on this novel methodologies, the cultural, institutional, security and governance correlations caused by the migration phenomena.
3. To update practices and conceptions of migration management, through the analysis, evaluation, and proposal of programs, projects, and policies, and to introduce strategies to promote and strengthen the State-Diaspora relationships.

## APPLICANTS PROFILE

Candidates for this program have a B.A. in Social Sciences or related fields; experience working with migrant communities, in advocacy, and/or implementing projects targeting this population is an asset.

### Knowledge

- Global History and History of Mexico
- Mexican Political System
- Basic Statistics
- Geography, Economics and Politics of Mexico
- English as established by the EXANI III
- Basic knowledge on social research quantitative and qualitative methodologies
- National and international institutional context of migratory flows

### Skills

- Search for and systematize information
- Team working
- Problem-solving
- Formulate protocols for scientific research

### Attitudes and values

- Cooperation and solidarity
- Social commitment
- Responsibility and attitude of service
- Tolerance towards cultural diversity
- Respect for human rights

### Competencies

- Descriptive abilities
- Descriptive abilities of social phenomena related to migration.

## GRADUATES' PROFILE

### Knowledge

- Theories to analyze, interpret, and compare the migratory phenomena and its ramifications in the cultural, institutional, governance, and security spheres
- Measurement mechanisms of migratory mobility

- Advanced social research quantitative and qualitative methodologies
- Methodologies for the formulation of processing services projects in the different fields of migration
- Correlations between institutions, governance, culture and security in the fields of migration

### Skills to:

- Develop methodologies applied to the migratory context of North and Central America
- Link government, organizations and civil society actors to implement policies and projects
- Develop academic and migratory management projects.
- Work with the population, especially those in a vulnerable situation

### Attitudes and values:

- Creativity and innovation in social research and immigrant processing services
- Ethical attitude working with vulnerable populations
- Acknowledgment and respect for diversity

### Competencies:

- Critical capacity
- Ability to argument and analyze social phenomena
- Ability to correlate different social phenomena influenced by migration
- Ability to develop novel methodologies allowing ethical data collection

## FIELD OF WORK

- Academic
- Governmental sector: evaluation, development and implementation of public policies.
- Civil society sector: evaluation, development, and implementation of public policies.
- Consultancy and project management.

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### Lines of Research:

Multidimensional Impact of Migration.

### Relevant Publications:

Urdaneta Novohispano, la inserción del mundo hispánico en Asia, México: Universidad Iberoamericana, 2012; El galeón de Manila, un mar de historias, México: JGH Editores, 1997; La presencia novohispana en el Pacífico insular: Segundas jornadas, México: Universidad Iberoamericana, 1992; La presencia novohispana en el Pacífico insular: Primeras jornadas, México: Universidad Iberoamericana, 1990.

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### Lines of Investigation:

Management, Normativity and Governance Schemes

### Relevant Publications:

“La interpretación conforme. El modelo constitucional ante los tratados internacionales sobre derechos humanos y el control de convencionalidad”. In *Cuestiones constitucionales*, Núm. 31, 2014 pp. 313-327; Castillo I, Reyes J, García Ramírez MJ. (Eds.) *Los derechos político electorales en Michoacán. Dimensión internacional, constitucional y local*, Morelia: Tribunal Electoral del Estado de Michoacán, 2014; “La interpretación conforme. Su previsión y alcance en las constituciones contemporáneas.” In Barros Leal C y Morales J. (Eds.) *Serie Estudios en Ciencias Penales y Derechos Humanos*, Tomo IV, Fortaleza, 2015.

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### Relevant Publications:

La democracia de la imaginación política: Por una historia intelectual de las emociones democráticas de la niñez en México. México: Instituto de Investigación Jurídica, 2013; “El nuevo derecho común en América Latina.” In *Sistema jurídico romanista y subsistema jurídico latinoamericano. Liber discipulorum para el profesor Sandro Schipani*. Colombia: Universidad Externado de Colombia, 2013.

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### Lines of Investigation:

Migratory Mobility. Novel Analysis Methodologies

### Relevant Publications:

Fuentes, N., Ortiz Mena, A. *Las relaciones económicas internacionales de México hacia el siglo XXI: retos y oportunidades*. México: Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económicas, 2004; “México frente a Estados Unidos: La relación económica bilateral”. *Diálogo Iberoamericano, Revista de Relaciones Internacionales*. Ciudad de México, UIA, 2005; Fuentes, N. and Schiavon, J. *Reforma estructural e integración regional en América Latina*. DEI 105, Ciudad de México, CIDE, 2004.

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### Lines of Investigation:

Multidimensional Impact of Migration

**Relevant Publications:** “Post-hegemonic Regionalism and Sovereignty in Latin America: Optimists, Skeptics, and an Emerging Research Agenda.” *Contexto Internacional (PUC-Rio)* 35.2, 2013; “The rise and decline of the Summit of the Americas.” *Journal of Iberian and Latin American Research*, 19,2, December 2013; “Beyond reach? The Organization of American States and Effective Multilateralism.” In Jorge I. Domínguez and Ana Covarrubias (Eds.) *Routledge Handbook of Latin America and the World*. London: Routledge, 2014; Cooper A, Legler T. *Intervention without intervening? The OAS Defense and Promotion of Democracy in the Americas*. New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2006.

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### Lines of Investigation:

Migratory Mobility. Novel Analysis Methodologies

### Relevant Publications:

“Gender Differentials in Emigration by level of Education: Mexican-born Adult Migrants in the United States” (in collaboration with Lindsay Lowell) In *Migration and Remittances from Mexico: Trends, Impacts and New Challenges*, Lexington Books, 2012; “Mexican migration to the U.S. during the 2008-2009 World Economic Recession”. In *Borders Under Stress. The case of Turkey and Mexico-USA Borders*, A. Icduygu and D. Sert (Eds.), Istanbul: Isis Press, 2012; “Cambio sociodemográfico y desigualdades educativas” (with Marta Mier y Terán) In *Educación Mexicana: Situación actual y perspectivas*, México: El Colegio de México, 2010

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Migratory Mobility. Methodologies for Analysis, Management, Normativity, and Governance Schemes.

**Relevant Publications:**

“Propuestas para una redefinición de políticas migratorias. Análisis del desarrollo “Diagnóstico sobre la política migratoria en México”. In Construyendo los temas clave de la cooperación internacional para el desarrollo en México, México: Porrúa/Instituto de Investigaciones Dr. José María Luis Mora, 2008; Cuadernos de la migración internacional No.1, Evolución y características de la migración internacional contemporánea, México: Universidad Iberoamericana, 2006.

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Multidimensional Impact of Migration

**Relevant Publications:**

“Cosmopolitan Constructivism and International Education”. In Jonathan Ping and Bahar Rumelili, Constructivism for the 21st century, Australia: Bond University, 2015; Una nueva diplomacia cultural para México: Theoria, Praxis y Techné, México: Universidad Iberoamericana, 2014; “The use of the Spanish language as a cultural diplomacy strategy for extending Mexico’s soft power in the United States”, Journal Place Branding and Public Diplomacy, 2014; “La diplomacia cultural entre 1998-2012”. In Eduardo Cruz and Carlos Lara (Eds.) Cultura y Transición 1988-2012. México: Universidad Autónoma de Nuevo León, 2012.

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Multidimensional Impact of Migration

**Relevant Publications:**

“El Nuevo Institucionalismo en las Relaciones Internacionales”. In “Organizaciones Internacionales Gubernamentales: hacia una agenda de investigación interdisciplinaria”. Revista Latinoamericana en Educación Superior y Política Pública (RELAES). Tanjin Foreign Studies University, No. 1, Vol. 1, 2013; “El estudio de las Relaciones Internacionales en la Universidad Iberoamericana”. In Luis Ochoa et al. (Ed.) La disciplina de las Relaciones Internacionales en México; Enseñanza, enfoques y programas docentes México: AMEI/BUAP/FEYRI, 2013; Culebro Moreno J, Zamudio González L. “Los procesos de implementación de los acuerdos de paz. Aportes desde el nuevo institucionalismo”. Revista Análisis Político. Vol. 26, Núm. 77, 2013.

**Contact:** [laura.zamudio@ibero.mx](mailto:laura.zamudio@ibero.mx)**IDEAL PLAN****First semester**

Research methods  
Introduction to migration studies  
Project formulation methodologies  
Migration research seminar I

**Second semester**

Migratory governance  
Migratory mobility  
Migration and human rights  
Migration research seminar II

**Third semester**

Public policy and social implications of migration  
Identities and cultural manifestations  
Elective 1 of four credits  
Migration research seminar III

**Fourth semester**

Practices in social intervention  
Elective 2 of four credits  
Migration and development  
Migration research seminar IV

**ELECTIVE SUBJECTS**

- Citizens security and human rights
- Rights of the child
- Rights of indigenous peoples
- Women’s rights
- Skilled migration
- Global justice
- International migration regime
- Multiculturalism and migration

**LINES OF RESEARCH****1. Migratory Mobility. Novel Analysis Methodologies- GENERATION LINE**

Development of novel quantitative and qualitative methodology to carry out research leading to the construction of new data and inputs, which will be integrated into databases to carry out comparative analysis aiming to discover new profiles, modalities, causes and other factors related to migration, expanding our explanation horizon and complementing it with new analysis categories.

Mexico, the United States and Central America are the areas of study because they are one of the most important in the world and students have greater facilities to undertake field work and offer more job opportunities.

**2. Multidimensional Impact of Migration-APPLICATION LINE**

Correlation of the different areas receiving the impact of migration, both in the countries of origin and of destiny: cultural, institutional, governance, and security. We study the causes and the effects in each of these areas and their impact on each other, to further integrally understand the consequences and changes of human mobility.

**3. Management, Normativity, and Governance Schemes- APPLICATION LINE**

Analysis, evaluation and proposals for the implementation of programs, projects and policies. This line studies the traditional fields of migratory management, i.e., protection and defense of migrants, incorporating specific analysis for highly vulnerable migratory profiles (such as women, children and indigenous people) and introducing strategies to promote and strengthen the State-Diaspora relations.

**ADMISSION PROCEDURES**

- Original birth certificate
- Simple photocopies of university degree and professional license, or evidence of graduating from B.A. or M.A. Copies will be verified against original documents
- Course subjects request form
- Application form (provided by School Service Directorate along with new admission instructional materials)
- Letter of acceptance to the Graduate Program
- Letter of commitment and Addendum duly completed and signed (also provided by School Service Directorate)
- Application process payment receipt

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