# Regional Academy on the United Nations



# CALL FOR APPLICATIONS 2021 RAUN

COVID-19 recovery: towards more resilient and inclusive solutions

Deadline: 04 April 2021 at 23:59 CET

Open to all Masters or PhD students, between the ages of 21-30



## **Our Program in short**

The **Regional Academy on the United Nations** (<u>RAUN</u>) is a non-profit international education initiative that brings together UN Organizations and outstanding Masters and PhD students. As part of the six-month-long extracurricular program, students get the opportunity to conduct hands-on research projects for the Organizations and to attend lectures and interactive workshops given by experts and practitioners. RAUN's aim is to provide participants with in-depth knowledge and resources about the UN and their functions, to raise their cultural awareness and openness, and to offer a forum for networking and academic exchange.

### **Structure of the Academy**

The Academy follows a unique format combining **lectures and interactive workshops** with practical hands-on-experience. The program consists of six online sessions per academic year (May until December). All courses are given by high-ranking experts and practitioners who share their rich experience with participants in an informal setting.

Apart from course-work during the sessions, participants work on **research projects** in close cooperation with UN Organizations and other international organizations on topics related to the RAUN theme. Through their group work, participants are able to develop their research skills and to form strong networks with like-minded peers, academics, and experts from various fields in an environment that fosters diversity, cultural learning, and understanding.

During the program, participants get the **opportunity to visit UN institutions** in Vienna. The results of the research projects will be presented during the final RAUN session at the UN Headquarters in Vienna in December 2021, if the Covid-19 situation allows. At the end of the program, participants receive **certificates of successful completion** of the Academy.

### 2021 RAUN Theme

COVID-19 recovery: towards more resilient and inclusive solutions

### **Preliminary session dates**

4 main sessions in May, July, September and December

2 social sessions in June and November

If the situation allows: final conference at the UN headquarters in Vienna in the beginning of December 2021

### **Application deadline**

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### **Contact and application**

For detailed information about the Academy and the conditions to participate please visit <u>www.ra-un.org</u> or contact us at raun-communications@ra-un.org.