The doctorate program in Cooperation for Peace and Development has a macro-social and an internationalist orientation. The course duration is three academic years and the didactic aim is to train scholars capable of working in a multidisciplinary field which is in constant evolution.

The methodological and cognitive approach, which is strongly influenced by the study of international relations, is strictly linked to the capability of problem-solving in complex environments: from the processes of globalization and democratization, to the economic and social development; from the environmental and eco-systemic protection, to rebalancing the gap between the North-South of the world; from promotion of human rights, to conflict resolutions and interfaith dialogue.

In support of the research, seminars and the creation of an international and European network with local and international organizations as well as other universities are involved. Communication with partners and the development of research projects are enhanced by the use of the Web.