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Program Content and Objectives

The master's program in European Studies at the University of Vienna provides a cross-faculty and interdisciplinary university education. This interdisciplinary curriculum covers, among others, the following academic disciplines: history, political science, law, sociology, linguistics, cultural studies and economics. The postgraduate program aims at broadening the participants' understanding of economic, legal, political and socio-cultural transformation processes and of their interaction in the process of European integration. Participants acquire a wide range of key competences, including the ability to take into account the cultural dimension of these phenomena, the ability to work in transnational, multidisciplinary networks and multicultural teams as well as the ability to analyze complex relationships. The program places particular emphasis on international networks, participatory learning, team work among students, a high level of topicality and interdisciplinarity.

Target Group

The master's program is targeted at people who work or would like to work with national and multinational corporations, banks, the insurance industry, institutions in the field of social and culture management, media and communications, public administrations, European and international organizations, as well as in continuing education and training. The program aims at expanding the participants' individual potential for innovation, their subject-specific competences and their personal experience.

Participants acquire the following qualifications:

- profound knowledge of the European transformation and integration processes
- an understanding of underlying mechanisms of a knowledge society
- practical skills in the field of information acquisition and knowledge management
- competences in analyzing complex relationships
- the ability to work in multicultural teams
- (foreign) language proficiency

Admission Requirements

- University degree
- sufficient English skills to follow and participate in lectures (B2)



„Critical thinking, knowledge of social change and interdisciplinary understanding of the historic and thus economic, political and legal conditions of the Europeanisation are in demand, now more than ever.“

ao. Univ.-Prof. i.R. Mag. Dr. Christoph Reinprecht
Academic director

Content

ECTS CREDITS

MODULE 1: THE EU AS A LEGAL AREA

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- Introduction to European Union Law
- EU Anti-Discrimination Law
- EU Institutions
- EU Legislation

MODULE 2: POLITICS AND GOVERNANCE IN EUROPE

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- Governance in the EU
- EU Enlargement and Neighbourhood Policy
- European Integration since 1945
- European Security Policy

MODULE 3: EUROPE IN THE AGE OF GLOBALISATION

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- Fundamentals of European Economic Policy
- Selected Topics and Current Developments in European Economic Policy
- Legal Aspects of Globalisation of World Trade
- International Relations after 1945 Part I
- International Relations after 1945 Part II

MODULE 4: EUROPE: IDENTITIES, BELONGING, BOUNDARIES

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- Migration: Boundaries, Borders, Barriers
- Human Rights in Europe
- Multilingualism in Europe
- Inequalities in Europe

MODULE 5: EUROPEAN SOCIETIES IN THE MAKING AND IN TRANSITION

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- Structure and Change of European Societies
- Plans for Europe and their Historical Context before 1945
- Current and Future Challenges for the EU
- Current Topics in Europe
- Communication in and about Europe

MODULE 6: EUROPE IN PRACTICE: THINK EUROPE, SHAPE EUROPE

8

- EX Excursion
- EU Working Language Course: French
- EU Working Language Course: English
- EU Working Language Course: German
- EU funding possibilities and EU projects
- Career Perspectives in the EU Institutions

MODULE 7: ACADEMIC RESEARCH AND WRITING

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- Academic Writing
- Research and Academic Methods
- Presentation Skills and Use of Media

MASTER'S THESIS

25

PUBLIC DEFENCE

4

TOTAL

120



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Graduation	MA (CE)
Duration	4 semesters (extra occupational)
Units	120 ECTS Credits
Language	English

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