

MSc European Studies (Research)

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- A **two-year** (120 ECTS), international Master of Science Degree Programme in European Studies.
- A **multi-disciplinary, research-oriented** programme focusing on historical, cultural, political, social, and economic aspects of the process of European integration.
- Aimed at students of different national and academic/disciplinary backgrounds.
- Training for a **career that requires strong research competences**.



Unique features

- **A small, close-knit community of students and researchers** (average intake 12-15 students p/a)
- **More than 90% international students**
- **Awarded 'Top Rated Programme' label** (Keuzegids 2016, 2017, 2018)
- **Ranked #1 MA in European Studies in the Netherlands** (Keuzegids 2018)
- **Top-rated academic staff** and study support
- **Graduation Packages:**
 - **Double Degree** program with Cologne
 - **Study Abroad**
 - **Research Internships**



Overview curriculum MSc ES (hand-out)

	Courses taught in Year 1	Courses taught in Year 2	
Period I (September-October)	European Integration: State of the Art (Thomas Conzelmann) Research Methodology of European Studies (Giselle Bosse) Social Science Statistics (Christine Arnold) Writing and Presenting a Resarch Paper (Paul Stephenson) (Periods I and II)	Option A Internship (Giselle Bosse) . Option B Study Abroad (Thomas Conzelmann) . Option C Double Degree (Thomas Conzelmann)	Period I (September-October)
Period II (November-December)	Historicizing European Union (Kiran Patel) (Track I) Democratic Governance and Representation in Europe (Christine Neuhold) (Track II) Europe in the World (Hylke Dijkstra & Sophie Vanhoonacker) (Track III) Case Study Methods and Process Tracing (Aneta Spendzharova) (Tracks IIa, IIIa) Methods and Sources in Historical Analysis (Vincent Langendijk)(Track I) Linear and Generalized Linear Regression (Luana Russo) (Tracks IIb, IIIb) Writing and Presenting a Resarch Paper (Paul Stephenson) (Periods I and II)		Period II (November-December)
Period III (January)	Research Design (Giselle Bosse) Qualitative Interviewing (Hylke Dijkstra)(Tracks I, IIa, IIIa) Survey Data Methodology (Hans Schmeets) (Tracks IIb, IIIb)		Period III (January)
Period IV (February-March)	The Symbolic Construction of European Community (Kiran Patel) (Track I) Information, Expertise and Politics in the EU (Tannelie Blom) (Track II) EU-Asia Relations in the context of global change (Thomas Christiansen) (Track III) Qualitative Content Analysis (Elisavetta Radulova) (Tracks I, IIa, IIIa) Multilevel and Longitudinal Modeling (Arjan Schakel) (Tracks IIb, IIIb)	MSc Thesis, including thesis seminar (Thomas Conzelmann) . Academic Publishing and Grant Aquisition (Christine Neuhold)	Period IV (February-March)
Period V (April-May)	Research Project (Giselle Bosse) Thesis Proposal (Thomas Conzelmann)		Period V (April-May)
	I = Track Historicizing European Union: European Cooperation since the 19th Century II = Track Politics and Administration beyond the Nation State III = Track Europe in a Globalizing World a = qualitative methods Tracks II & III b= quantitative methods (Tracks II and III)		

Courses in Year 1 (all students)

- Period I

RES5013. European Integration: State of the Art

RES5014. Research Methodology of European Studies

RES5021. Social science statistics

- Period I/II

RES5509. Writing and Presenting a Research Paper

- Period III

RES5510. Research Design

- Period V

RES5031. Research Project

RES5511. Thesis Proposal



Three thematic tracks (Year 1)

I. Historicizing European Union

- RES5015. Historicizing European Union
- RES5010. Symbolic Construction of European Community

II. Democratic Governance & Representation in Europe

- RES5030. Democratic Governance and Representation in Europe
- RES5006. Information, Expertise and Politics in the EU

III. Europe in a Globalizing World

- RES5019. Europe and the World
- RES5020. EU-Asia Relations in the Context of Global Change

Methods specializations (Year 1)

- **Track I – Historical / Qualitative methods**

RES5023. Methods and Sources in Historical Analysis
+ RES5025. Qualitative Interviewing (research training)
RES5028. Qualitative Content Analysis

- **Tracks IIa / IIIa - Qualitative methods**

RES5022. Case Study and Process-Tracing Methods
+ RES5025. Qualitative Interviewing^{IV} (research training)
RES5028. Qualitative Content Analysis

- **Tracks IIb/IIIb - Quantitative methods**

RES5024. Linear and Generalized Linear Regression Analysis
+ RES5026. Survey Data Methodology (research training)
RES5029. Multilevel and Longitudinal Modeling



Graduation Packages (Year 2)

- **Double Degree:** Spend the second year at Cologne University, Germany.
- **Study Abroad:** Spend the first semester of the second year at one of our exchange universities – Mannheim University, Germany; Sciences Po Grenoble, France; Hitotsubashi University Tokyo, Japan; University of Portsmouth, UK. **Scholarships available!**
- **Research Internship:** Spend up to five months in the second year pursuing an internship with one of our professors or at a think tank, EU institution or NGO in Brussels. **Scholarships available!**



Skills trainings (Year 2)

- How to successfully apply for research funding.
- The PhD proposal writing trajectory.
- How to get published (academia and non-academic audiences).

Your 'average' week in the MSc ES

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
11.00 – 13.00 Research Seminar (lecture)		11.00 – 13.00 Skills Training	11.00 – 13.00 Research Seminar (lecture / tutorial)	
13.30 – 15.30 Methods course	13.30 – 15.30 Methods course	15:30 – 17:30 Research Colloquium 'Politics and Culture of Europe'	13.30 – 15.30 Research Seminar (tutorial / workshop)	



Your future

Our graduates have gone on to **PhD positions** at universities, such as:

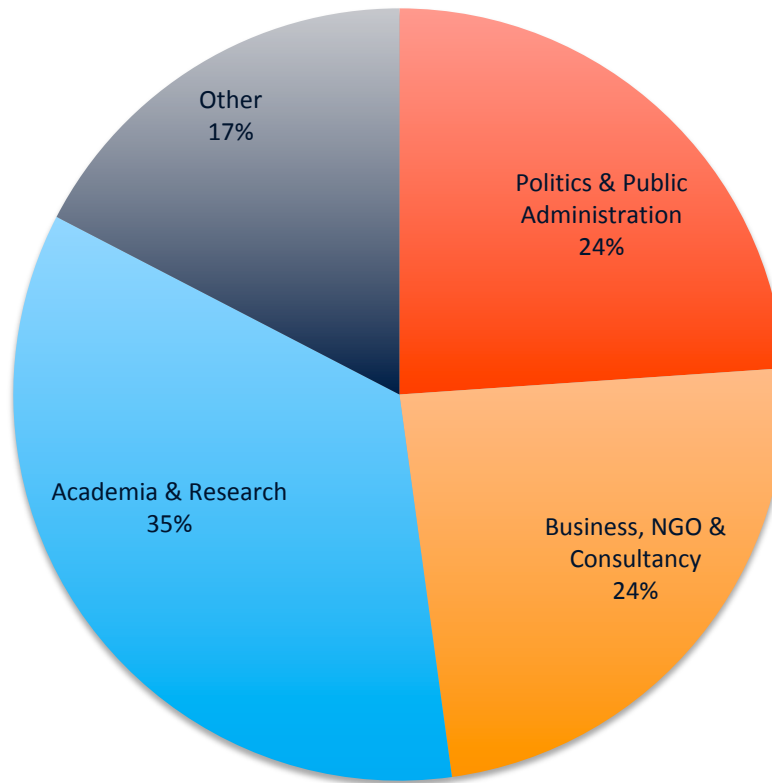
- University of Bamberg, Germany
- Marie Curie PhD candidate, Loughborough University, UK
- Leiden University, The Netherlands
- European University Institute, Italy
- University of Cologne, Germany

And careers in **professional organizations**, including the following:

- Advisor, Directorate for Civil Protection and Emergency Planning (DSB)
- Freelance research assistant, European Journalism Centre
- Board member, European Youth Forum
- Reporter, Inter Press Service (IPS)
- Administrator, Centre for the Study of International Governance (CSIG)

Our students' jobs:

MSc ES Alumni: Job Profiles



Admission Requirements

All candidates should meet the **general requirements**:

- submit your curriculum vitae,
- write a letter of motivation,
- submit two writing samples,
- demonstrate proficiency in English.

Also check the required documents under [Admission and registration](#)

- Graduates from a relevant university bachelor's programme
- You must have strong academic abilities, not be afraid to work hard, and have a keen interest to pursue research in the field of European integration.

Director of Study

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QUESTIONS?

