

Master of Science in European Studies 2025-2026

The students opt for one of the following specialisations:

- 1 Histories of European Integration: Historical/Qualitative Approach
- 2a Democracy and Representation in Europe: Qualitative Approach;
- 2b Democracy and Representation in Europe: Quantitative Approach;
- 3a Europe and the World: Qualitative Approach;
- 3b Europe and the World: Quantitative Approach.

The programme also offers a double degree track together with the Faculty of Management, Economics and Social Sciences of the University of Cologne. Students in this programme will follow the first year of the Research Master at UM and also opt for one of the above specialisations; in year 2 they follow modules in the Political Science master's programme at the University of Cologne, and write the master's under joint supervision by professors from both institutions.

Year 1

Semester 1

Period	Spec	Code	Title	ECTS	Assessment
1	All	Seminar RES5013	European Integration: State of the Art	5	grade
	All	Method Course RES5032	Introduction to Research Methods of European Studies	6	grade
	All	Skill RES5509	Writing and Presenting a Research Paper	2	E-P-F
2	1	Seminar RES5015	Historicising European Union	8	grade
	2a/2b	Seminar RES5030	Democratic Governance and Representation in Europe		
	3a/3b	Seminar RES5019	European Foreign Policy		
	1	Method Course RES5023	Methods and Sources in Historical Analysis	5	grade
	2a/3a	Method Course RES5022	Case Study Methods and Process-Tracing		
	2b/3b	Method Course RES5024	Linear and Generalised Linear Regression		
3	all	Skill RES5510	Research Design	4	E-P-F
	1/2a/3a	Method Course RES5025	Qualitative Interviewing	3	grade
	2b/3b	Method Course RES5026	Survey Data Methodology		

Semester 2

Period	Spec	Code	Title	ECTS	Assessment
4	1	Seminar RES5010	The Symbolic Construction of European Community	8	grade
	2a/2b	Seminar RES5006	Lobbying and Expertise in the European Policy Process		
	3a/3b	Seminar RES5020	The EU, The U.S., Russia and China: Competing Approaches to Global Governance		
	1/2a/3a	Method Course RES5028	Qualitative Content Analysis	5	grade
	2b/3b	Method Course RES5029	Multilevel and Longitudinal Modelling		
5-6	all	Skill RES5522	Extended Thesis Proposal	14	grade

Year 2

Option internship

Period	Code	Title	ECTS	Assessment
1-4	Internship RES6990	Research Internship (individual research project)	24	E-P-F
5	Skill RES6504	Academic Publishing and Grant Acquisition	2	E-P-F
4-6	Thesis RES6800	MSc Thesis	34	Grade

Option study abroad

Period	Code	Title	ECTS	Assessment
1-3	Abroad RES6910	Study abroad (individual study track at selected partner institution)	24	P-F
5	Skill RES6504	Academic Publishing and Grant Acquisition	2	E-P-F
4-6	Thesis RES6800	MSc Thesis	34	Grade

Option Double Degree programme

Period	Code	Title	ECTS	Assessment
1-6	Abroad RES6920	Study at Double Degree Partner University	26	P-F
4-6	Thesis RES6800	MSc Thesis	34	Grade