

HANDOUT MASTER EUROPEAN STUDIES/ COMPARATIVE PUBLIC GOVERNANCE

Introduction

(Global and) European Studies is about the governance of Europe and the world. We live in a globalized world with *challenges* as security, migration, social inequality and climate change.

Designing solutions for European and global problems (challenges) we must understand that:

- these problems are interconnected and solutions are multilevel;
- private actors (NGOs, regulators) play an increasing role in governance;

In our programme students design the solutions for world problems, using academic research.

We educate ‘future world leaders’, because we need *researchers* that define these “wicked” problems and think out smart solutions and because we need *professionals* that can contribute to legitimate, efficient and effective policies in international organizations, in EU institutions, in national ministries, at the regional and local level, but also in the private sector. Students learn to understand a) that problems and possible solutions need to be thoroughly analysed, b) that problems are complicated, and therefore solutions for these problem will not come from just one discipline, c) that these problems are increasingly international (cross-border), and d) that government (“public sector”) needs to cooperate with the private sector to successfully implement the policies. Central themes are the function of international law and international politics in governing the world, global and European Union policies and designing solutions for global problems. Our programme has a multi-disciplinary approach and also has a strong international orientation. It applies theory in practice and works towards solutions.

The programme

We offer two possibilities:

- *A one-year programme (Global and) European Studies* here at the University of Twente, This programme 60 EC and starts in September it contains six core courses (5 EC each), a study trip and a master thesis 30 EC (with an elective course of 5 EC).
- *A two-year double degree programme Comparative Public Governance* in Twente and the Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität in Münster (Germany). This programme has 120 EC and leads to two diplomas. It also starts in September (in Twente), it has six courses at the University of Twente in the first semester (30 EC), courses in Münster in the second and third semester (60 EC) and a master thesis 30 EC (with one elective course of 5 EC). The master thesis is supervised by lecturers from both universities.

NB: in Twente you will receive a one year MSc-diploma, in Münster a two year MA-diploma.

Courses in Twente (first semester)

Comparative Public Governance, The International and EU Legal Framework, International Political Economy (in the first quarter), Governance and Technology beyond the Nation-state, Global Public Policy, Academic Research (in the second quarter)

Courses in Münster

Second semester: Integration Module Comparative Public Governance (10 EC), Core Module Political Steering (10 EC), Core Module Political Participation (10 EC)

Third semester: the Optional Module “Erasmus exchange” (30 EC) or a combination of the optional Module “Free Electives” (12 EC) and the Optional Module “Internship” (18 EC)

Admission requirements

University-students: students are directly admitted with a bachelor ‘Public Administration’ or equivalent programme at a Dutch University or with a relevant foreign university bachelor or master programme. Students need a pre-master if there is not enough knowledge of the related disciplines (law, economics, political science, sociology) or methodology. Then students have to follow a six months pre-master programme of one semester (30 EC).

Higher education bachelor (HBO) students in a related field after a pre-master programme. All students have to be highly motivated and committed and non-native speakers have to do the IELTS (overall score at least 6.5) or the TOEFL (score internet based, at least 90).

Premaster (30 EC)

The pre-master programme starts in September and February (in Twente) and has different domain-specific contents (20 EC). The content of the methodology part (10 EC) in the second semester is the same as in the first semester. All the pre-master courses must be completed within one year and before you can start with the master courses (only in September).

Tuition fees

- Twente: European Economic Area (EEA) in 2023-2024 € 2.314,-; Non-EEA in 2023-2024 € 14.000,- (one year, tuition waiver for the double degree in the second year);
- Münster: about € 300,- per semester (three semesters, including a train ticket);
- Premaster: half of the EEA tuition fee, to be paid at once, for 30 EC.

Application

Complete the application form at www.utwente.nl/master. The decision of the Admission Committee says whether you are admitted or not, if necessary the content of the pre-master programme and what you need to do to make your application final. Enrolment is a separate process. Bachelor students of Twente can go to the Educational Office (BOZ). HBO-students can check the transfer-minor European Studies at www.KiesOpMaat.nl

Also see www.utwente.nl/doorstroom and doorstroom@saxion.nl (for Saxion students)

More information

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