MASTER OF ARTS IN GLOBAL STUDIES

PROGRAMME JOINTLY OFFERED BY UNIVERSITY OF LEIPZIG, THE LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND POLITICAL SCIENCE, UNIVERSITY OF VIENNA, ROSKILDE UNIVERSITY, UNIVERSITY OF WROCŁAW

120 ECTS CREDITS - LANGUAGE: ENGLISH

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This international research-based Master is combining perspectives, methods and theories developed in history, the social sciences, cultural as well as area studies and economics to investigate phenomena of global connectedness. We do not believe that globalisation exists as an objectively given, material reality which can be measured; rather we have to understand the phenomena described as globalisation as a bundle of political, economic, social and cultural projects to manage increasing transnational and transcontinental connectedness (the so-called global condition). Therefore, the multi-national classroom of the programme and the cross-over of contributions from various disciplines and universities dealing either with some of these projects or/and with their conflicts and resulting entanglements offer a substantial added value to the study of processes of globalisation.

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Students study for one year at one of the European partner institutions, and for the second year at another European partner university. As an additional mobility track, students have the option to spend the third semester at one of the non-European partner universities. The Consortium’s universities share a joint understanding of the field and privilege a comparative and historicizing approach within which local course content differs according to comparative advantages. According to this emphasis upon certain fields within the participating universities and its already existing Master programmes - which the MA in ‘Global Studies - a European Perspective’ is drawing upon -, students can specialise in particular areas of globalisation research:

- at Ghent University on world history and political economy of global capitalism, global governance and global justice, combined with specific foci on Europe as a global actor, conflict and development in a globalising world, and area studies of Africa, the Middle East, Asia and Latin America
- at the University of Leipzig on comparative analysis of global entanglements both historically and for the present times, focusing on Eastern Europe, Western Europe, East Asia, sub-Saharan Africa, Northern Africa and the Middle East, Latin America and Northern America
- at the London School of Economics on the economic and social history and analysis of economic globalisation since around 1400
- at Roskilde University on development studies, global political economy and global governance, political culture and civil society
- at the University of Vienna study of international organisations, global history from the year 1500 onwards, as well as area-related analysis of East Asia, sub-Saharan Africa, Central Europe and Latin America
- at the University of Wroclaw on the analysis of transformation processes in Central and Eastern Europe, security issues, regional cooperation, communications and the media

All modules comprise history, cultural, area studies, social or political based approaches upon historical and contemporary patterns of globalisation and different societal responses, towards these processes.

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The core qualification aims of the study program comprise competences for dealing with different academic approaches to the phenomenon of globalisation processes, their foundation and problem areas at a scientific level and related to relevant professional fields; the ability to independently work on interdisciplinary problem areas and the adequate presentation of the gathered knowledge in written and oral form. Further qualification objectives are transferable understanding and academic skills, such as (i) understanding complex global history and international studies problems and framing them in ways which simplify while still retaining relevance; (ii) developing analysis and arguments in pursuance of an independent research question; (iii) skills to gather, deploy, combine and assess evidence of various kinds; (iv) skills to critically examine the arguments and evidence presented by others; (iv) developing consistent arguments and communicating these in clear, concise and persuasive forms. The design of the programme as well as the experiences of former graduates suggests that the fields of employment for EMGS graduates are the public sector (diplomatic service, development cooperation, and consultancy), NGOs, the private sector and basic research. Our aim is to offer for all four fields of employment a study programme that is methodologically deliberated, demanding in terms of content and complemented by research internships.
### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR INTERNATIONAL DEGREE STUDENTS

The Master in Global Studies aims at excellent students with a first degree in social sciences and humanities and with an interest in issues of globalisation. The minimum application requirements are: a three years bachelor's degree or recognized equivalent from an accredited institution in the field of History or Cultural Studies or Social Sciences or Economics with a minimum of 15% Global Studies relevant courses.

Information on admission requirements and the administrative procedure for admission to this Erasmus Mundus study programme, can be found on the following web page of the coordinating university (the University of Leipzig): [https://gesi.sozphil.uni-leipzig.de/joint-projects/emgs/application/](https://gesi.sozphil.uni-leipzig.de/joint-projects/emgs/application/). All applications must be made to the University of Leipzig.

* Excellent English skills (minimum B2-level according to Common European Framework of Reference for Languages or UNICert level II according to the German Association of Language Centres, Language Teaching Institutes and Institutes of Foreign Languages). The proficiency in English needs to be proven by an official English certificate. English native speakers need to provide a proof of knowledge of a language different to their mother tongue on A2 level according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages
* Knowledge of a further foreign language on A2 level according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (to be proven by the High School certificate and/or international recognized test score certificates or equivalent proof of participation in language courses)

### PRACTICAL INFORMATION

**Study programme**

**Information sessions**
[afstudeerbeurs.gent/en/students/further-studies](https://afstudeerbeurs.gent/en/students/further-studies)

**Open Days**

**Enrolling institution**
Ghent University, University of Leipzig, University of Vienna, University of Wroclaw, Roskilde University, The London School of Economics and Political Science

**Application deadline**
- February 15th, for applicants for an Erasmus Mundus scholarship
- May 31st, for self-paying applicants

**Tuition fee**
More information is to be found on: [www.ugent.be/tuitionfee](https://www.ugent.be/tuitionfee)

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