

European Studies: MA

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IMPROVING LIFE

Exploring European Identities

This innovative interdisciplinary programme combines humanities and social science perspectives to the study of Europe, both past and present. It aims to provide students with a flexible approach to European Studies that allows for specialization within a core discipline and promotes expertise in European languages, culture, history, and contemporary politics and society. The faculty for this programme is drawn from several Schools and Departments, spanning two Colleges, the College of Arts and College of Social and Applied Human Sciences. Faculty members have research interests in such diverse areas as European identities (gender, minorities, national), youth cultures, literature, music and art, all in comparative perspective, Western philosophy, EU governance and policies, European citizenship and migration policies.

Students who graduate from this programme will be equipped to pursue further study at the PhD level in an interdisciplinary or a single-discipline programme, or embark on careers in national and international organizations that focus on Europe.



Programme of Study

The course requirements include two core courses. 'Research Methods' is designed to introduce students to advanced research in European Studies. 'European Identities' is intended to familiarize students with historical and contemporary ideas of the 'nation' and of 'Europe', and relationships of these ideas to identity, from an interdisciplinary perspective. Students select electives from other European Studies courses or courses that focus on Europe from other programmes. Students are also required to write a Major Research Paper under the direction of a faculty member. The MRP may either concentrate on a single discipline or be interdisciplinary in its focus.



Study Abroad

It is advised that students spend a term studying abroad, in a country where their core language is spoken. While abroad, students may take language courses, courses towards degree requirements, or conduct research for their major project.

An Internship at the University of Bremen is available on a yearly basis and students may apply for financial support.

Funding

Students are guaranteed financial support through teaching assistantships and scholarships.

Career Options

Possible career options include: government ministries/civil service, international organizations (e.g. NATO, UNESCO), teaching, private sector companies with ties to Europe, international education and arts administration.



"Working in a job where I deal with foreign nationals utilizes the knowledge I acquired through my research in European Studies"

Erin Franklin, Alumna 2011, Ministry of Public Safety

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