Master of Arts in European and International Studies
MEIS
The foundation pillars of the Master’s in European and International Studies (MEIS) are: economics, history, law, political science and sociology. However, the hallmark of the MEIS is its multi- and inter-disciplinary approach, which pushes students to venture beyond the confines of individual academic disciplines.

The multidisciplinary organisation of the study programme enables students to develop a broader and deeper understanding of the functioning, the transformation and the challenges of the European and international systems. Indeed, the course aims to equip students with the knowledge and tools and to develop those skills and competences necessary to analyse the economic, legal, institutional, political and social events and actors that contribute to the evolution of the international and European order.

Thanks to the MEIS’s dual focus on theoretical perspectives and tools and solid multidisciplinary knowledge, and on critical/strategic thinking skills and key employability competences, MEIS graduates have the edge to meet the needs of tomorrow’s globalised workplace.
Programme overview

Workload
The total workload for each student is 120 ECTS (European Credit Transfer System).

Intake
September each year

Class size
Up to 50 students

Degree awarded
Two-year Master's - “Laurea Magistrale” - in European and International Studies

Language
English

Fees and funding
(approximate range)
- EU: 340€ - 3.400€ (based on income/merit)
- Non-EU: 1.000€ - 4.500€ (based on merit)
- Income/merit based scholarships and tuition waivers available

Duration
2 years full-time
Requirements

• Bachelor's degree (or equivalent) including at least 60 ECTS from at least two of the following discipline areas: Economics, History, Philosophy, Law, Political Science, Sociology or Foreign Languages
• English at B2+ level (upper intermediate) of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages
• Basic knowledge of a second foreign language among the following: Arabic, Chinese, French, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish, German

Application deadlines
(check online for updates)
• February for non-EU citizens living outside Italy
• June for EU citizens and non-EU citizens regularly living in Italy

Selection criteria
• Assessment of previous studies and their coherence with the programme
• Academic curriculum
• Statement of purpose
• References

How to apply
• Access the online application form
• Upload the required documents
• Submit your online application by the deadline
• Check online for more information and updates: www.unitn.it/meis
Study Plan

First year
Foundation Courses in the core disciplines:
• Principles of International Economics
• Elements of International and European Union Law
• European and International Politics
• Contemporary History
• Quantitative Methods in Social Sciences
• English Language
• Workshop in German, Spanish or French

Second year
Students attend four specialised courses in the main subject areas (politics, economics, law) and three electives offered by the School and other Departments of the University on topics ranging from regionalism to security studies, from international history to governance in the European Union. In addition to the taught courses, students write and defend a research-based thesis.
Extra-curricular activities

MEIS students are encouraged to attend extra-curricular activities and events organised by the School. From a lively series of guest lectures and seminars held by academics of international standing to talks given by distinguished professional practitioners working in international organisations. From conferences and round table debates to meetings with MEIS Alumni and careers fairs. Not least, the School runs soft skills workshops such as report and policy brief writing, project management and interview skills to enhance graduates’ key professional competences.

In addition, thanks to a number of dedicated partners, MEIS students can apply for internship programmes with organisations operating in a European or international sphere, based both in Italy and abroad. More than 60% of the MEIS students spend a period abroad under a studio mobility programme with the several foreign partner Universities or an internship programme.

Dual Degree

Beside the numerous international mobility opportunities active on this study course, MEIS students can apply for the Dual Degree Programme with the Department of International Relations and European Studies of the Metropolitan University Prague (MUP).
The MEIS prepares students for careers in both the public and private sectors. MEIS Graduates will acquire the necessary skills and competences

• to hold positions of responsibility within national and international institutions engaged in European and international affairs and private enterprises operating in international markets;
• to work for governmental and non-governmental organisations engaged in areas such as human rights, environmental protection, institution-building, project management, etc.;
• to contribute to research and dissemination activities in think tanks and research institutes;
• to prepare for careers in diplomatic services.

MEIS graduates have gone on to rewarding careers as young diplomats, policy advisors, consultants, project coordinators, researchers and the like, working in international institutions, NGOs, think tanks, as well as multinationals, or have been admitted to prestigious PhD programmes in Europe and North America.
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