MSc in Sociology and Social Research
Master of Science in Sociology and Social Research

This master course provides advanced training for positions of social researcher in private research institutes in the field of marketing and communication, customer satisfaction and opinion research, as well as in public research institutions (e.g. institutes and foundations involved in education research or in the analysis of labor market and welfare trends).

Specifically, it equips students with in-depth mastery of statistical and qualitative techniques to analyse social trends.

The master also provides a strong background for students interested in doctoral studies in the field of sociology and social research and the capacity to plan and carry out empirical researches in the main application fields of social sciences (e.g. study of social inequalities, migration, labour market, welfare, opinion polls, market research on consumption and communication).
Programme overview

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

Intake
September each year

Language
English

Degree awarded
Master of Science - “Laurea Magistrale” - in Sociology and Social Research

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) with graduation mark of at least 90/110 - GPA of 60/100 points
- 1/3 of the previous study programme in at least two of following fields:
  - Sociology
  - Economics and Statistics
  - Law, Political science, Social policy
  - History, Anthropology, Psychology, Social Psychology and Pedagogy
- English at B1 level of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

Selection criteria

- Assessment of previous studies and their coherence with the programme
- Academic curriculum
- Statement of purpose
- References
- A background studies in methodology and social research will be considered

Application deadlines

- February for non-EU citizens living outside Italy
- From June to November: rolling admission for EU citizens and non-EU citizens regularly living in Italy

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/mastersrs

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Study Plan

The first year is entirely devoted to methodology courses offered to all students that cover not only sociological methods, but also methods for historical and political research.

The second year covers two clusters of substantive courses in:

- **social inequalities and social change** in education, family dynamics, labour market participation and welfare support;
- **culture and communication**: they involve the analysis of cultural transformations in lifestyles and in several domains such as science and religion.

Each student is expected to choose one of these two clusters.

In the second year students participate in a **research internship** in private and public research institutes, and work on their final dissertation.
Beside the several international mobility opportunities active on this study course, enrolled students can apply for the Dual Degree Programme with prestigious universities such as:

- Katholische Universität Eichstätt - Ingolstadt (Germany)
- University of Tilburg (Netherlands)
- Universidad Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona (Spain)
- Universität Bamberg (Germany)
- Higher School of Economics National Research University St. Petersburg (Russian Federation)
- Karls-Franzens-Universität Graz (Austria)
- Masaryk University (Repubblica Ceca)
Graduates will access the labour market in different fields of research, with high-level professional skills:

• In **public and private organizations**, with responsibility for planning in the analysis of public policies, with particular reference to social policies and social reporting.

• In **educational institutions**, with expertise in conducting market surveys and research on consumption, multimedia communication and knowledge management; public relations, internal relations and institutional communication experts in complex organizations, in the third sector and in voluntary associations on issues of social relevance.

• In the **academic world**: the advanced methodological focus of the master’s programme makes this degree a privileged path to a Doctorate Course.
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- Approccio multidisciplinare;
- si studia la sociologia, la politica europea e internazionale, la storia, l'economia internazionale, il diritto comunitario e molto altro;
- molto importante è l'apprendimento delle lingue straniere.