



Master Programme European and European Legal Studies

Master Programme

The two-semester Master Programme “European and European Legal Studies” is offered by the **Institute for European Integration** at the Europa-Kolleg Hamburg in co-operation with the Faculty of Law and the Faculty of Economic and Social Sciences at the **University of Hamburg**. The Europa-Kolleg Hamburg is an internationally recognised institution for education and research in the field of European integration.

We look back on more than 15 years of successful cooperation between the Europa-Kolleg and the University of Hamburg. Over the course of time the contents and outlines of the study courses offered to graduates have always been adapted to new developments and challenges on the European level. Today, many graduates from over fifty countries are successfully employed in international institutions, national administrations, law firms, and in the private economy.

The fundamentally improved Master Programme has successfully been completed by students from all over the globe for the first time during the academic year 2008/2009. The revision of the Master Programme has taken into account the requirements of the Bologna-Process; therefore the programme follows a modular structure. After positive evaluation and decision of the accreditation commission of the accreditation agency AQAS the programme has been accredited on 22/23 Nov. 2010.

Objective

The Master Programme aims at educating a select number of highly qualified graduates from all over the globe preferably with a first degree in law, economics or political science on the highest academic level on **issues of European integration**. The students are provided with the knowledge and the skills necessary to pursue high level careers in international organisations, national ministries, enterprises, law firms or other professional activities.

Curriculum

The curriculum consists of a basic programme covering the foundations of the EU as a legal, economic, and political community, and an elective programme allowing students to specialise in one of four areas:

- The EU as a Political Actor
- External Relations of the EU
- Companies as Economic Actors
- Law of the EU

Academic Titles

In case of successful completion of all relevant modules and a master thesis marked at least with a grade of "sufficient" (4.0), the University of Hamburg awards the degree of o:

- Master of Arts (M.A.)
- Master of Laws (LL.M.)

The degree "Master of Laws (LL.M.)" can only be obtained by students who possess a law degree before taking up their studies at the Europa-Kolleg Hamburg. Furthermore, the award of the degree "Master of Laws (LL.M.)" calls for predominantly legal studies. In the specialisation fields "Companies as Economic Actors" and "Law of the EU" this condition is met if the master thesis is written in law, in the specialisation fields "The EU as a Political Actor" and "External Relations of the EU" in addition to this it is necessary that the internship is juristic in nature.

Admission Requirements

A university degree awarded with an above average grade, preferably in law, in economics or in political science representing a total of 240 credits points (CP) according to the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS).

Applicants whose first University degree represents less than 240 CP have the chance to compensate for the missing credit points by presenting proof of additional practical or academic activities in the fields of the programme.

Languages

The Master Programme is primarily run in English, in parts also in German as a secondary course language. It is however possible to study the entire programme in English.

Tuition, Grants, Living

- 8,500 EUR for the entire programme
- Limited number of scholarships
- Own hall of residence on campus

Dates

Deadline for applications: 15 March 2013
Start of the programme: 1 October 2013
End of the programme: 31 July 2014

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