

## Master in European Studies: EU Institutions and Public Policy

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## Introduction

The **Master in European Studies: EU Institutions and Public Policy (MES)** is a one-year program aimed at training future experts in European Union affairs, EU institutions and international organizations. This highly professionalizing full-time program provides students with broad yet specific proficiencies in the working procedures of European institutions and in policy areas linked with the EU, such as Migration, Security, Euro-Zone Politics and the Common Market. Combining theoretical and practical approaches, the program enables students to understand the political, economic and cultural dynamics among the EU actors, as well as between the EU and external actors, while getting an excellent preparation for a career with institutions, organizations and private employers.

## Objectives

The course prepares future professionals for careers in:

- Policy analysis
- European institutions and international organizations
- Private companies acting on the international stage

## Participants

MES is a first-level master's program. Applicants are required to hold at least a three-year bachelor's degree in Political Science, Economics, Law, Humanities, Philosophy or neighboring disciplines, including languages. For all other fields, the selection board reserves the right to an individual examination of the

candidate's suitability for the program. Classes are small, with a maximum of 25 students, allowing for interactive teaching and individual supervision of each student.

## Career Opportunities

Graduates of the program can apply for jobs in European and international institutions such as the EU Commission, the EU Parliament or the ECB, the United Nations with its numerous sub-organizations worldwide, NGOs, and companies that operate internationally. The Luiss Career Service offers specialized training for successful job applications and provides individual contacts in order to apply for internships. An EPSO training course prepares candidates for the highly competitive selection process to European institutions.

## Program Description

**ECTS: 60**

The Master in European Studies consists of:

- Four core courses
- Six elective courses
- Training and simulation exercises
- Final master's thesis

**Core courses:**

- European Politics after 1945
- Reforming European Institutions and Democracy
- European Macroeconomics
- Policies and Policymaking in the EU

## Specialized Training

The program gives students the opportunity to attend technical courses to successfully access and operate within European institutions.

This includes training in academic methodology and communication in order to prepare students for research, writing and public transmission techniques. Students may also choose between two-day preparatory courses such as EPSO, a specialized training in Learning Policy Advice or EU Programming, focused on the managing projects funded by the EU.

## Classes

Weekdays and occasionally Saturday mornings

## Dates

**Course:**

October 2020 - May/June 2020

**Disseratation deadline:**

September 2021

## Faculty

The program is led by **Giovanni Orsina**, Director of the Luiss School of Government and Full Professor of Contemporary History. The academic coordinator is **Christian Blasberg**, Lecturer in Contemporary and Comparative History of Political Systems.

**The faculty also consists of:**

- **Maria Elena Cavallaro**, Luiss
- **Piero Esposito**, Luiss School of European Political Economy

- **Cecilia Jona Lasinio**, Italian Statistical Institute (Istat) and Luiss
- **Giacomo Luchetta**, Luiss
- **Yves Mény**, European University Institute, Florence
- **Stefania Panebianco**, University of Catania

## Career Service

A dedicated Career Service Office supports students' future employment focusing on three objectives:

- providing students training and tools in order to be effective in their employment search
- providing knowledge about the job market and careers to facilitate the definition of students' professional goals
- promoting contact with employers interested in offering curricular internship experiences

Students are offered two different career programs according to their seniority and objectives:

**Junior Program** – for students first entering the job market interested in curricular internships. The program includes employability training, individual career guidance sessions and active promotion of students to fill vacant internships.

**Senior Program** – for older students with professional experience interested in exploring different career paths. The program includes: employability training, individual career guidance sessions, soft skills training.

The Career Service Office is also available to support students in:

- preparation for important job interviews
- internships
- decision-making related to specific professional choices

## Events

Thanks to Luiss University's numerous events, students can interact with the job market, make contact with accredited professionals and participate in recruiting processes with employers, especially during our Career Days:

- **Career Day for Social Impact** – hosting representatives from the worlds of NGOs, institutions and international organizations
- **Career Day for Legal** – hosting more than 50 top Italian law firms from all fields
- **Luiss Career Day** – hosting nearly 100 companies, banks and consultancy firms
- **Brussels Day** – hosting companies, international organizations and institutions from the heart of the EU

## COSTS

Tuition is €8,000

## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Students must have obtained a three-year bachelor's degree

### Documentation required for online application

- detailed CV with list of academic courses and professional experiences
- motivation letter explaining the candidate's interest in the program
- university transcript
- one reference letter (or contact of a potential referee)
- where applicable, a certificate of English proficiency (TOEFL, IELTS or by another recognized language institute)
- a copy of the applicant's national identity card or passport

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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