

# MA PROGRAMME IN EUROPEAN STUDIES

## Programme requirements for the 2023/2024 cohort

MA students are required to earn **minimum 120 ECTS points**, consisting of:

- The courses listed under each specialisation, chosen as part of the student's individually tailored curriculum
- Two semesters of foreign language training (Polish beginners' to intermediate level or French, German and Russian at beginners' level)
- Workshops in methodology, academic writing and speaking, as well as the MA seminars
- an MA thesis.

The degree is completed when the student passes the MA exam and thesis defence.

In their **first year** of study all MA students must complete the following mandatory courses:

- European Civilisation
- European Integration Theory and Practice
- 'Academic Skills' seminar
- one subject from the 'Research Methods' group (Qualitative or Quantitative Methods)
- one 'Language Course' – at least 120 hours over two consecutive semesters of the same language
- 'Health and Safety in Education' Training
- Master Proseminar in the 2nd semester of their studies

In their **second year**, each student must complete:

- Master Seminar & Thesis (incl. Protection of Intellectual Property Rights) from the 'Master Seminar' group in the **3rd and 4th semesters** of their studies

Furthermore, over the course of their studies, each student must fulfil the requirements specific to their selected Track.

## STUDY TRACKS (SPECIALISATIONS)

### EU STUDIES (COHORT 2023/2024)

Students must gain at least 30 ECTS to complete this track.

15 ECTS by completing the following courses (one from each category):

1. EU Institutions & the Decision-Making Process: Policy Practice in the EU

OR: EU Institutions & the Decision-Making Process: The Political System of the EU  
and

2. Introduction to Finances in the EU

OR: EU Foreign and Security Policy: Europe and global challenges  
and

3. EU Administration, Justice and Home Affairs: Actors, Norms and Challenges

OR: EU Administration, Justice and Home Affairs: Towards a European  
Administrative Space

The remaining 15 ECTS need to be selected from the optional courses within this track.

Optional courses:

- Contemporary Crises and Conflict
- Economy of Central Europe: from Transition to EU Membership
- EU Foreign and Security Policy: Europe, NATO and Transatlantic Security
- EU Integration and Politics in the Balkans
- Meaning and Value of Democracy from a Philosophical Perspective
- New and Critical Approaches to Security in Europe
- Political Challenges to European Integration
- Polish Language and Culture
- Practical Aspects of Polish Language and Culture
- Internship (150 hours)
- Internship (Research – 240 hours)

Any remaining ECTS necessary to complete the program would need to be collected by first taking at least two courses from the other specialisation (i.e. European Culture and Heritage or EU Studies) or an **Internship**, and then by taking any optional course on the MA level from the ISE offer.