

BA PROGRAMME IN EUROPEAN STUDIES: POLITICS AND SOCIETY IN A GLOBAL CONTEXT

Programme requirements for the 2024/2025 cohort

Mode of study: Full-time

Duration of study: 3 years (6 semesters)

Language of instruction: English

Number of ECTS required for degree: 180 ECTS

Foreign language options: Polish, Russian, German, French

Number of ECTS counted from language courses: 12 ECTS (2 consecutive semesters)

BA students are required to earn **minimum 180 ECTS points**, consisting of:

- The courses listed under the BA programme 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 BA seminars
- a BA thesis.

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

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

- Introduction to Economics
- Introduction to Politics
- Introduction to Sociology
- Introduction to Law
- Introduction to Philosophy
- Introduction to International Relations
- Unity and Diversity of European Culture
- Academic English (incl. Protection of Intellectual Property Rights) – 2 semesters
- Language Course – at least 120 hours over two consecutive semesters of the same language
- Physical Education
- Health and Safety in Education

In the 2nd year student needs to pick one of two study tracks: Governing Europe and CEE Politics or Social Change in Europe. Student needs to complete all the courses for the selected track and at least **12 ECTS from the other track**. Specialization courses can be completed during the 2nd year and the 3rd year (based on the current course offer.)

Upon completion of the **obligatory courses, all courses from the selected study track and 12 ECTS from the other study track**, the students should have 138 ECTS. Students need to gain the remaining ECTS from the group of optional courses offered by the IES/CES.

The management of the Institute will indicate which courses will be available in any given academic year on the website of the Institute.

2nd and 3rd year of studies:

Specialization: Governing Europe and CEE Politics

Obligatory courses:

- Academic Skills (obligatory in 2nd year)
- Methodology (obligatory in 2nd year)
- BA Thesis Seminar (obligatory in 3rd year)
- BA Thesis Seminar and Thesis (obligatory in 3rd year)
- Borders and Boundaries of Europe
- EU in the Multilateral Order - Legal Aspects
- EU Politics and Policies
- Gender Politics
- Human Rights Law in the European Context
- Comparative Politics in Europe
- EU, Nation States and Beyond
- Illiberal Politics and Right-Wing Populism in CEE
- The 1989 in CEE: Transformation and Post-transformation

Optional courses from the study track: Dynamics of Social Change

(Students of the study track Governing Europe and CEE Politics need to complete 12 ECTS from this group)

- Dynamics of Social Change
- European Societies in Times of Accelerated Change - Technology, Digitalisation and New Media
- Green Revolution(s) in Europe
- Modern European State Formation
- Theory of Protest Movements in Europe

Other optional courses from the Institute of European Studies

(Students complete the remaining ECTS from this group. The management of the Institute will indicate which courses will be available in any given academic year on the website of the Institute.)

- Animal Studies - An Introduction
- European Solidarity in the Process of Political and Society Integration. A Philosophical Perspective
- HerStory: women's rights and feminist movements in the different countries of the European Union
- International Conflicts in Europe and Beyond
- Interpretation of Heritage
- Introduction to Foreign Policy and Diplomacy
- Key Concepts in Contemporary Security Studies
- On Virtue in Politics. Past, Present, Future
- Politics and Society in the Balkans
- Socio-political Dimensions of International Migrations
- The European Convention on Human Rights

2nd and 3rd year of studies:

Specialization: Social Change in Europe

Obligatory courses:

- Academic Skills (obligatory in 2nd year)
- Methodology (obligatory in 2nd year)
- BA Thesis Seminar (obligatory in 3rd year)
- BA Thesis Seminar and Thesis (obligatory in 3rd year)
- Borders and Boundaries of Europe
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**In case of any doubts about your courses, please contact your Academic Advisor,
Rita Hornok.**