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MSc in  
**Sociology and Social Research**



# Master of Science in Sociology and Social Research

The Master's Degree in Sociology and Social Research trains professionals in social analysis, capable of designing, managing, carrying out and communicating empirical analyses of complex social phenomena. The main pillars of the program are:

- the development of advanced methodological skills, both quantitative and qualitative, with a solid theoretical integration in different subject areas
- a concrete approach in doing research through laboratories and research seminars and the offer of internships in public and private research institutes or within the University
- a wide choice of relevant subjects with interdisciplinary excellence
- significant internationalization with a wide range of Dual Degree opportunities as well as the presence of students from various parts of the world.

The Master also provides a strong background for students interested in **doctoral studies** in the field of sociology and social research and enhances their capacity to plan and carry out empirical research 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).

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## Programme overview

### Degree awarded

Master of Science - "Laurea Magistrale" - in Sociology and Social Research

### Language

English

### Workload

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

### Intake

September each year

### Duration

2 years full-time

### 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

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## Admission

### Application deadlines (check online for updates)

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

### 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

### 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](http://www.unitn.it/mastersrs)

### 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

## Study Plan

The Master's degree is comprised of four main academic components:

- Theory and Sociological Topics
- Methods
- Interdisciplinary Fields
- Sociological Specialization

The **first year** focuses mainly on the first three components and students take a series of required courses in these areas, among which some choices are offered.

During the **second year**, students concentrate mainly on the Sociological Specialization component with the opportunity to take several elective courses, participate in an internship and work on their final thesis dissertation.



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## Dual Degrees

Beside the several international mobility opportunities offered within this Master's degree, enrolled students can apply for the Dual Degree Programme with prestigious universities such as:

- 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)



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## Career opportunities

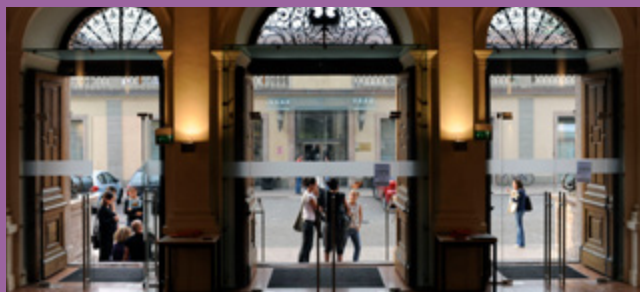
Graduates will access the labour market in different fields of research, with high-level professional skills:

- In **public and private organizations**, with responsibility for planning the analysis of public policies, with particular reference to social policies and social reporting
- In **research 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 non-profit 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 access a PhD programme or other further qualification.

## ORGANIZZAZIONE DIDATTICA

- ◆ 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.





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