

SCHOOL OF INTERNATIONAL STUDIES - SIS

Master's Degree programmes 2020-2021



The School of International Studies

Established in 2001, the School of International Studies (SIS) is a **Center of the University** cooperating with the Departments of Economics and Management, Arts and Humanities, Law, and Sociology and Social Research.

It offers **various teaching and research programmes** involving students and professors of different nationalities and with **multidisciplinary backgrounds** (economics, history, law, philosophy, political science, sociology).

The SIS entertains a wide **cooperation network** including local and international research centers, foreign Universities, and Italian and European think-tanks.

The SIS organizes weekly **conferences and seminars** involving external scholars, *Alumni* and *professional practitioners* operating in international institutions, organizations and companies.

SIS promotes the **international mobility** of students and researchers with double degree programmes, Erasmus+ mobility and international extra-European exchanges.





Taught courses 2020-2021

The School offers three graduate Master's programmes and one PhD programme. All are entirely taught in English:

- two-year Master's Degree in European and International Studies (MEIS)
- two-year Master's Degree in International Security Studies (MISS), together with the Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies in Pisa
- two-year Erasmus Mundus Joint Master's Degree in Security, Intelligence & Strategic Studies (IMSISS), together with University of Glasgow (UK); Dublin City University (Ireland); Charles University in Prague (Czech Republic)
- three-year Doctoral programme in International Studies











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Master of Arts in European and International Studies MEIS



Goals and career prospects

MEIS prepares students for international careers in the public and private sectors. Graduates will be qualified to:

- hold positions of responsibility within <u>national and international institutions</u> engaged in international affairs and private <u>corporations</u> operating in international markets;
- work for <u>governmental and non-governmental organizations</u> engaged in specific areas of international affairs;
- enter the first phases of <u>diplomatic service;</u>
- work in think-tanks and research organizations.

MEIS provides also a solid preparation for the admission to international PhD programmes in International Studies and related subjects.









First year activities

- **Contemporary History** (8 credits)
- Principles of International Economics (8 credits)
- Elements of International and EU Law (8 credits)
- Quantitative Methods in Social Sciences (6 credits) either basic or adv'd
- European and International Politics (8 credits) either basic or adv'd
- English Language (10 credits 60 hours)
- Language Workshop (6 credits) (2nd language)
- One elective exam (6 credits)

Second year activities

- Political Philosophy or Political Theory (6 credits)
- **Economics**: 6-credit exam (either international or European focus)
- Law: one 6-credit exam (either international or European focus)
- **Political Sciences**: one 6-credit exam (either international or European focus)
- Two electives (12 credits)
- Thesis (24 credits)

Internships are not mandatory but lead to 1 additional point for the graduation.



Entry requirements - max 50 students

A three-year **Bachelor degree** (180 credits) including a minimum of 60 credits in at least two of the following disciplinary areas: history/philosophy, economics, law, political science, social sciences, foreign languages.

Advanced knowledge of the English language (B2+ level)

Basic knowledge of a **second foreign language**

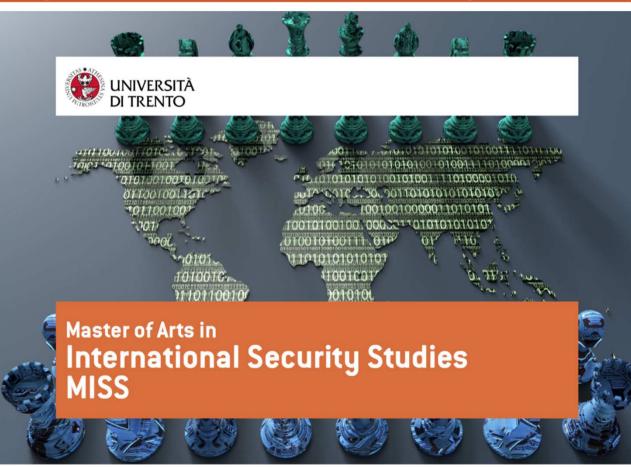
A **personal background** with suitable professional vocational and academic experience appropriate to the interdisciplinary nature of the Master's.













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The MISS is offered jointly with the Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies (Pisa). Based on a multidisciplinary approach, it aims to produce graduates able to meet contemporary national and international security challenges.

MISS graduates qualify to:

- Hold positions of responsibility within international institutions and organisations engaged in security, peacekeeping, and state-building activities
- Work in private organisations dealing with risk prevention & management
- Work in national ministries and enter the diplomatic service
- Work for governmental and non-governmental organisations engaged in areas such as institution-building, project management, humanitarian assistance, local development and reforms, security risk prevention & management

The MISS provides a solid basis for admission to PhD programmes in disciplines related to international security.









First year activities – Pisa

- Armed Conflicts and International Law
- Ethics of Security or European Security: Politics and Policies
- Genealogies and Aporias of Security
- Probability, Certainty and Security in Economics: Concepts and Methods
- The Role of Universal and Regional Organizations in Promoting Peace and Security
- Security Studies: Concepts, Methods, and Issue Areas
- Transnational Global Governance
- Elective courses for 9 credits

Second year activities - Trento

Winter semester

- The Use of Force in International Politics
- Global Migration and Security or Democratizing security
- Natural Resources and Energy Security or Global Markets and Security Issues or International Cooperation, Development and Security (at least two of the three)
- One elective

Spring semester

Internship



Entry requirements – max 25 students

A three-year **Bachelor degree** (or equivalent - 180 credits) including a minimum of 60 credits from at least two of the following discipline areas: History and Philosophy, Economics, Law, Political Science, Sociology or Foreign Languages .

English language at B2 level of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

Good knowledge of a **second foreign language** among the following: Arabic, Chinese, French, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish, German

A **personal background** with professional and vocational experience as well as academic qualifications appropriate to the interdisciplinary nature of the degree course











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IMSISS is a two-year Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degree.

IMSISS covers theoretical, empirical and applied approaches to **security**, **intelligence** and **strategy**.

There are two possible study tracks or pathways: Intelligence, Peacebuilding and Terrorism (Glasgow – Dublin – Prague); and Causes of Conflict (Glasgow – Trento – Prague).

Students examine, analyse and learn about the practical implications of a broad range of contemporary security challenges terrorism, civil war and conflict, mass migration, energy supply security, cyber security and new technologies, transnational and serious organised crime).

Graduates pursue careers in security-related posts in government offices and public administration, international organisations, non-governmental organisations, transnational business corporations, and private security and risk analysis companies. Some might also like to pursue a doctorate and an academic career.









First year activities – Glasgow and Trento

- European & International Security Strategies
- Intelligence Analysis & Policy Making
- International Security and Strategic Studies or Strategy Applied or Strategy Theory
- History and Politics of the Middle East: Conflicts, Ideologies and Democratisation
- Geographies of Security
- Conflict, Human Rights and Natural Resources
- Civil Societies and Contentious Politics
- One elective

Second year activities - Prague

Winter semester

• Four courses from a list of alternative courses organized in four concentrations

Spring semester

- Internship (3 weeks to 6 months according to the dissertation)
- Dissertation independent study or workbased



Entry requirements – max 30 students (Trento track), circa 70 (Dublin track)

• Qualification equivalent to a UK 2:1 honours degree in international relations, political science, or related social science disciplines; or an interdisciplinary degree which includes security/ terrorism/ intelligence as a significant component.

• English Language proficiency level - IELTS Academic module 6.5, no sub-test less than 6.0. Other certificates are accepted – see website

For the Trento track, you will also need:

• A language other than Italian at B2 level

APPLICATION DEADLINES FOR THIS YEAR: 21/7 for International applicants, 25/8 for UK/EU applicants. Scholarships available every academic year (this year's deadline has passed).

More information and applications at: <u>http://securityintelligence-erasmusmundus.eu/</u>



