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Master of Arts in European and International Studies MEIS



An aerial photograph of a city valley, likely Innsbruck, Austria. The city is built in a valley floor, with a river (Inn) winding through it. The surrounding area is green and hilly, with large mountains visible in the background under a clear blue sky. The image serves as a background for the text overlay.

Master of Arts in European and International Studies - MEIS

The foundation pillars of the Master's in European and International Studies (MEIS) are: economics, history, law, political science and sociology. However, the hallmark of MEIS is its **multi- and inter-disciplinary approach**, which pushes students to venture beyond the confines of individual academic disciplines.

The multidisciplinary organisation of the study programme enables students to develop a broader and deeper **understanding of the functioning, the transformation** and the challenges of European and international systems. Indeed, the course aims to equip students with the theoretical tools to analyse the role of the main institutional and social actors in the changing dynamics of international relations.

Thanks to the **dual focus** of MEIS on theoretical perspectives and **employability competences**, MEIS graduates have the edge to meet the needs of the **globalised workplace**.

Programme overview

Degree awarded

Two-year Master's - "Laurea Magistrale" - in European and International Studies

Workload

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

Intake

September each year

Duration

2 years full-time

Language

English

Class size

Up to 50 students

Fees and funding (approximate range)

- EU: 370€ - 3.400€ (based on income/merit)
- Non-EU: 1.000€ - 6.500€ (based on merit)
- Income/merit based scholarships and tuition waivers available

economics
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Admission

Application deadlines (check online for updates)

- February for non-EU citizens living outside Italy
- June 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

Requirements

- Bachelor's degree (or equivalent) including at least 60 ECTS from at least two of the following discipline areas: Economics, History, Philosophy, Law, Political Science, Sociology or Foreign Languages
- English at B2 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages
- Basic knowledge of a second foreign language among the following: Arabic, Chinese, French, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish, German

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/meis

Study Plan

First year

Foundation Courses in the core disciplines:

- European and International Politics
- International and European Union Law
- Contemporary History
- International Economics
- Data Analysis and Statistics
- Political Philosophy/Political Theory
- English for International Communication

Second year

Students attend three specialised courses in the main subject areas (politics, law, economics) and three electives in three thematic tracks:

- International affairs
- Europe and the world
- Environment and rights

Students also attend a Policy Lab, where they put their learning into practice through innovative teaching methods. In addition to the taught courses, students write and defend a research-based thesis.

Additional activities

MEIS students are encouraged to attend extra-curricular activities and events organised by the School. From a lively series of guest lectures and seminars held by academics of international standing to talks given by distinguished professional practitioners working in international organisations. From conferences and round table debates to meetings with MEIS Alumni and careers fairs.

The School also runs the “Applied Workshops on Global Affairs” (SAWGA) aimed at bridging the gap between theoretical knowledge and practical skills. The workshops introduce students to specific problems of international relations, European affairs and policies, and international security by adopting a practical approach and innovative teaching methods.

In addition, thanks to a number of dedicated partners, MEIS students can apply for internship programmes with organisations operating in a European or international sphere, based both in Italy and abroad. A high percentage of MEIS students spend time abroad as part of one of the study mobility programmes with the various foreign partner universities or on an internship programme.

Honours Programme

Students enrolled in MEIS can apply for the honours programme TALETE, developed by the University of Trento and the Center for International Cooperation. TALETE is an advanced training programme that students can take in addition to their studies to give them an international dimension and explore the world of cooperation.

Dual Degree

Beside the numerous international mobility opportunities active on this study course, MEIS students can apply for the Dual Degree Programme with the following universities:

- Metropolitan University of Prague
- HSE Saint-Petersburg
- Masaryk University - Brno





Career opportunities

MEIS prepares students for careers in both the public and private sectors. MEIS graduates will acquire the necessary skills and competences

- to hold positions of responsibility within **national and international institutions** engaged in European and international affairs and private enterprises operating in international markets;
- to work for **governmental and non-governmental organisations** engaged in areas such as human rights, environmental protection, institution-building, project management, etc.;
- to contribute to research and dissemination activities in **think tanks and research institutes**;
- to prepare for careers in **diplomatic services**.

MEIS graduates have gone on to rewarding careers as young diplomats, policy advisors, consultants, project coordinators, researchers and the like, working in international institutions, NGOs, think tanks, as well as multinationals, or have been admitted to prestigious PhD programmes in Europe and North America.





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