

University of Pisa – Department of Political Sciences

The New 2nd Cycle Degree Programme (M.A) in "International Studies"

A specialization program conceived for the future experts in two crucial fields:

- The role of the European Union in the geopolitical setting of the third millennium
- The good governance of migratory flows and of integration of foreign nationals

STRUCTURE (120 ECTS, two years)

A common component at the first year, two alternative *curricula* at the second year ("Geopolitics of the EU's interests in the age of globalization", "Governance of Migration"), a wide range of seminars and workshops (both theoretical and practical), two languages (one of which preferably non-European), final dissertation and traineeship (with incentives to carry them out abroad).

AIMS

In general:

To develop the ability to analyze the international system (both global and European) with special attention to be paid to:

- the role played by the States (the big powers, but not exclusively), by the international organizations (EU, Nato, UN and others), by private actors (multinational enterprises, NGOs, social media etc.)
- the underlying causes of tensions and conflicts, the ways in which they have been solved or might be solved in the future

Curriculum "Governance of Migration":

- to train persons capable to understand, explain, govern the migratory phenomena and the dynamics of integration of foreign nationals, in the context of international institutions, State's and local authorities, NGOs and civic society
- > to equip future professionals of an adequate knowledge of the European dimension of a properly focused migratory policy and of the need to build up a farsighted and fair dialogue with sending and transit countries, in the strict respect of human rights and rule of law
- > to master the arguments which may be useful to support the position of a Member State in the EU and international circles

Curriculum "Geopolitics of the EU's Interests in the Age of Globalization":

- > to understand the role of the EU in the various international settings, and the reasons of its (persistently) partial protagonism
- > to analyze in a proper way the dynamics which underlie the Euro-Mediterranean and Post-Soviet areas
- > to develop the ability to assess international events elaborating models, carrying out analysis, establishing relations in academic, political, commercial and financial domains
- > to deepen the articulate net of relations emerging from the membership by individual states to the EU and to the Nato

COURSE UNITS

Common Component

Economics of Development; History of the Contemporary Political Thought; History of Transatlantic Relations; International Protection of Human Rights; External Relations of the EU; Elements of Geopolitics and Geography in the Mediterranean and in the Post-Soviet Area; two languages

Curriculum "Governance of Migration"

International and European Migration Law; Immigration Policies in a Comparative Perspective; Sociology of Migration and of Co-Development; History of Italian Emigration; Cosmopolitism and migrations: beyond the idea of foreigner; Demography and Human Development; Italian Migration Law

Curriculum "Geopolitics of the EU's interests in the age of globalization"

Constitutional Democracies in Eastern Europe; Geopolitical Dynamics in the Post-Soviet Area; Geopolitical balances in Africa and Asia in the Post-Colonial Age; Geopolitics and Theories of International Relations; Environmental and Energy Law; Environmental Economics; History and Politics of European Union; Economic History of International Financial Institutions

PROSPECTS

- ➤ Academic early-stage researchers in migration and geopolitical studies
- Advisors and professionals for foundations, consultancies, research institutes and centres, think tanks
- > Expert specialists in intergovernmental organizations and at all levels of State's administrations and governments; managers of immigration programs for social and religious non-profit making institutions; members and affiliates of transnational NGOs
- ➤ Contributors to media and blogs specialized in international affairs and in migration issues

FACULTY

- > the course units are delivered in Italian by professors and lecturers of the University of Pisa, belonging to different fields (history, politics, law, economics, sociology), who in their professional career have developed with regard to the subjects treated in the Master:
 - o research projects and publications, even international; focused teaching activities in Italy and abroad
 - o cooperation with other universities(also abroad), international organizations, State's institutions, NGOs, independent experts, think tanks
- the seminars will be delivered mainly in English and will gather:
 - o representatives of international and State's bodies, who are active in the field of policy making
 - field operators
 - o experts coming from partners foreign universities, research institutes and think tanks
 - o journalists and opinion makers, who are active on media and blogs specialized in international affairs and in migration issues

INCOMING INTERNATIONAL MOBILITY

- Foreign students are strongly encouraged to spend a semester or a research or study window in Pisa, where they will find a team of professors and researchers actively working on the subjects which are taught in the Master, and a rich catalogue of books and journals in various languages
- ➤ Cooperative agreements under the Erasmus + Programme are in force between the University of Pisa and a plenty of European universities (see here and here). Course units are delivered in Italian, but foreign students may arrange with some of the interested lecturers to sit for the examination in English and to prepare it on study material written in English. Workshops and seminars are delivered mainly in English (see here)
- Additionally, *ad hoc* arrangements have been concluded or will be launched (even at initiative of interested individuals) in order to offer a foreign student or early stage researcher a form of "smart mobility", which may be aimed at:
 - spending a short research period in Pisa in order to prepare her/his dissertation, papers or thesis (also in part, with the co-tutoring of a Pisa researcher), while in the same time attending the seminars and workshops organized by the Master or by the <u>Observatory on</u> <u>European Migration Law</u> of the University of Pisa
 - o carrying out a traineeship with one of the Italian agencies being part of the cooperative framework of the Master
- ➤ Incoming students will automatically benefit from the unique academic environment of the town of Pisa (three universities) and of Tuscany generally (with the notable presence of the European University Institute in the Florence's neighborhood)

FURTHER INFORMATION AND NEWS

- Contents of the Course Units and Short Bios of Lecturers: see here (in Italian and English)
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- ➤ News and schedule of seminars and workshops: see here and follow us on Facebook