



DURATION OF STUDIES

2 years (4 semesters)

LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION

French

Knowledge of English recommended.

CONDITIONS OF REGISTRATION

www.unige.ch/conditions/MA

ADMISSION CONDITIONS

Bachelor or equivalent degree.

Admission based on application file.

unige.ch/gsi/fr/programmes/maee

Master's Programme **EUROPEAN STUDIES**

The Master in European Studies has been successfully training students from around the world since 1963. It is a truly cross-disciplinary programme, with students choosing between two specialisations: «European economics, politics, institutions and societies» or «Global Europe».

The programme begins with a number of core cross-disciplinary classes, worth a total of 24 credits, that students in both specialisations must complete. Starting in their first semester, students must also select three methodology classes from around ten that are available in order to obtain 18 research-related credits.

Once these credits have been obtained, students then focus on their selected specialisation, which they must choose before starting the Master's programme.

The specialisation «European Economics, Politics, Institutions and Societies» looks at the European project through classes in subjects such as political science, sociology and economics, focusing on the key role that the law has played in the process of European integration. Students will also delve into European culture, in keeping with the vision of the European Institute's founder, Denis de Rougemont, who considered culture to be an essential component of the European project.

With the «Global Europe» specialisation, students will look at Europe's place in the world. This new specialisation offers students the chance to consider the European Union's role in addressing global challenges, its ability to meet those challenges, and its place in international systems as the global balance of power has shifted. The programme covers history, law, political science and economics, and also looks at the definition of global studies itself.

Students must also take 30 credits in elective classes. This enables them to deepen their knowledge in a number of topics selected from among the array of classes offered by both the GSI and our partner faculties (law, economics and management, humanities, social sciences, etc.).

In addition, students have the option of spending a semester at one of our partner universities.

Lastly, to complete the Master's programme, all students must either carry out an internship or write a research thesis. As part of the internship, which prepares students for the working world, students must write a report summarising their experience. The research thesis gives students the opportunity to work on a specific research question that may or may not be cross-disciplinary. It prepares students for further academic research and, potentially, a PhD.

STUDY PROGRAMME

4 semesters (max. 6 semesters) | 120 ECTS credits

Core curriculum for the 2 concentrations (24 credits)

- European history
- Political integration
- European law
- Economic integration

Methodological block (18 credits)

Orientation-specific courses (18 credits)

Electives (30 credits)

Internship or thesis (30 credits)

PROFESSIONAL PROSPECTS

With the knowledge and skills acquired in the Master's programme, graduates find employment in a wide range of areas. Students often go on to work in public policy planning and implementation at the regional, national or European levels. Many opportunities can also be found in the international sector, particularly in Geneva, in European institutions, international organisations, NGOs or multinational companies. This programme also prepares graduates for further studies in journalism.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR

www.unige.ch/calendar

TUITION FEES

500 CHF per semester

LEVEL OF FRENCH REQUIRED BY UNIGE

Eliminatory general test for non-Francophones, with the exception of the following cases :

www.unige.ch/frenchexam

REGISTRATION

Deadline: 28 February 2026

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