

# MASTER'S PROGRAMME/MASTER IN MIDDLE EASTERN STUDIES

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## THE MASTER IN MIDDLE EASTERN STUDIES

With its ethnic, religious, economic and political diversity, the Middle East is both a culturally rich and an extremely complex region. It is also a strategic region, vulnerable, and full of promises. Recently, the Arab Springs have put the Middle East in the media spotlight. The challenges of transition in the region come at a time of accelerating economic, political and cultural change, both on the national and the global levels.

The Master's programme in Middle Eastern studies allows students to an in-depth understanding of the issues the region is facing, from a historical, cultural and geopolitical perspective. Within this programme, students will study social mobilizations and democratisation processes in the Middle East, the stability in Maghreb and Mashreq countries and the rising of the areas as major player in the field of the arts and heritage. This Master also analyses the influence of new players on the regional stage, including Turkey and the Gulf states, and addresses the economics of oil revenues.

This programme is designed for students who want to specialise in issues related to the Middle East through an open and interdisciplinary approach.

### MASTER IN MIDDLE EASTERN STUDIES

4 semesters (max. 6 semesters)  
120 ECTS credits

Required courses in the core curriculum	30 credits
History of the Contemporary Middle East Geopolitics and Middle Eastern political regimes Orient, orientalism(s) and the West Political Economy Globalization and cultural issues in Middle East	
Specialised courses	48 credits
Concentration in one or more areas of the core curriculum	
Electives	12 credits
Internship or dissertation	30 credits

### PROGRAMME LENGTH

2 years (4 semesters)

### ACADEMIC CALENDAR

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### LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION

**French**

Passive knowledge of English is recommended.

### LEVEL OF FRENCH REQUIRED

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

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### ADMISSION CRITERIA

**Bachelor** or equivalent degree. Admission based on application file.

### MOBILITY

Master's students are allowed to go on exchange for one semester maximum. Students may go on exchange as early as their third semester but may earn no more than 30 credits at another university. The dissertation cannot be substituted.

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### CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Students from diverse academic backgrounds will benefit from an in-depth understanding of the issues surrounding the Middle East, and such knowledge is essential for anyone going on to a career in diplomacy; NGOs and international organisations; the media; companies with economic ties in the region; cultural heritage and the arts.

### TUITION FEES

**CHF 500.- / semester**

During the online application process, applicants with a foreign degree will be charged an administrative fee of 65 CHF, to be deducted from the first-semester tuition fees.

### APPLICATIONS

Deadline: **29 February 2016**

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