EAST EUROPEAN STUDIES
MRes / 2019/20 ENTRY

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The East European Studies MRes provides area-specific, language-oriented, advanced research training in the methodologies and approaches of economics, politics, sociology, history, culture and literature. The MRes offers two pathways: social sciences, and arts and humanities, enabling students to tailor the programme to suit their own experience and interests.

**Degree summary**

Students develop generic research skills, interdisciplinary and discipline-specific research skills, area-specific research skills and language skills oriented towards carrying out research in the region. The programme produces multidisciplinary researchers specialised in Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union, with language proficiency and cultural, historical and institutional awareness.

- **The UCL School of Slavonic & East European Studies (SSEES) is one of the largest national centres in the UK, for the study of central, Eastern and south-eastern Europe and Russia.**
- **The SSEES Library is unequalled in Britain for the depth and breadth of its collections, the majority of which are on open access in the SSEES building.**
- **Located on the edge of Bloomsbury, SSEES offers an ideal location for scholars: the British Library, British Museum, University of London Library and other similar research centres are all close by.**

The programme is delivered through a combination of lectures, workshops, seminars and language classes. Students will be assessed by unseen and written examinations, coursework assignments, essays and the research dissertation.

**Degree structure**

*Mode: Full-time: 2 years*

*Location: London, Bloomsbury*

Students undertake modules to the value of 330 credits over two years: 150 credits are taken in year one and 180 in year two. Two pathways are available: social sciences, and arts and humanities. The first year of the programme consists of a core language module (30 credits), optional modules (75 credits) and electives (45 credits). The second year consists of core modules (45 credits) including language (30 credits), electives (30 credits) and dissertation (105 credits).

Please note that the list of modules given here is indicative. This information is published a long time in advance of enrolment and module content and availability is subject to change.

**COMPULSORY MODULES**

- **Year One:**
  - Beginner's New Language MA module offered at SSEES
- **Year Two:**
  - Intermediate Language MA module offered at SSEES
  - Interdisciplinary Area Studies II

**OPTIONAL MODULES**

- **Social Science Pathway Year One**
  - A choice of 75 credits from:
    - Quantitative Methods (15)
    - Advanced Quantitative Methods (15)
    - Qualitative Methods (15)
    - Political Analysis (15)
    - Political Sociology (15)
    - Comparative Analysis in Social and Political Research (15)
  - Understanding and Analysing Data (15)
  - Arts & Humanities Pathway Year One
  - Literary and Cultural Theory (30)
  - Political Analysis (15)
  - Political Sociology (15)
  - Comparative Analysis in Social and Political Research (15)

**DISSERTATION/REPORT**

- All MRes students undertake an independent research project in the second year which culminates in a dissertation of 20,000 words.
Your career

With their specialist knowledge and language skills, SSEES Master’s graduates can be found in business, finance, the media, international agencies, charities, diplomacy, international security organisations, the law, and academia.

Employability

Graduates of the programme will possess the attributes to complete a PhD within three years or to enter the labour market directly with advanced analytical and research skills, regional expertise and proficiency in a language of the area. The rigorous exams we set for our language courses mean that potential employers or prospective PhD supervisors will know that our graduates can work effectively with the languages they have studied.

Networking is facilitated by two major collaborations led by SSEES: CEELBAS and the International Master’s (IMESS). Scholarships, internship opportunities and excellent links with other universities in the region provide further benefits.
Entry requirements

Normally an upper second-class Bachelor’s degree in a relevant discipline from a UK university or an overseas qualification of an equivalent standard.

English language proficiency level

If your education has not been conducted in the English language, you will be expected to demonstrate evidence of an adequate level of English proficiency.

The level of English language proficiency for this programme is: Good. Information about the evidence required, acceptable qualifications and test providers is provided at: www.ucl.ac.uk/graduate/english-requirements

Your application

Students are advised to apply as early as possible due to competition for places. Those applying for scholarship funding (particularly overseas applicants) should take note of application deadlines.

When we assess your application we would like to learn:

- why you want to study East European Studies at graduate level
- why you want to study East European Studies at UCL
- what particularly attracts you to this programme
- how your personal, academic and professional background meets the demands of a challenging and truly international academic environment
- about your research interests and where you would like to go professionally with your degree

Together with essential academic requirements, the personal statement is your opportunity to illustrate whether your reasons for applying to this programme match what the programme will deliver.

FEES AND FUNDING 2019/20 ENTRY

- UK: £7,190 (FT)
- EU: £7,190 (FT)
- Overseas: £20,170 (FT)

The tuition fees shown are for the year indicated above. Fees for subsequent years may increase or otherwise vary. Further information on fee status, fee increases and the fee schedule can be viewed on the UCL Students website.

Up to five tuition fee studentships are available to prospective Home/EU MRes students at UCL’s School of Slavonic & East European Studies.

Full details of funding opportunities can be found on the UCL Scholarships website: www.ucl.ac.uk/scholarships

APPLICATION DEADLINE

All applicants: 26 July 2019

Details on how to apply are available on the website at: www.ucl.ac.uk/graduate/apply

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EU referendum

For up-to-date information relating to specific key questions following the UK’s decision to leave the EU, please refer to www.ucl.ac.uk/brexit