ECONOMY, STATE AND SOCIETY: POLITICS AND SECURITY MA (International) / 2019/20 ENTRY

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The International Master's in Economy, State and Society is a unique, innovative, dynamic yet firmly established postgraduate programme offered by a consortium of leading European universities. It leads to the award of a highly prestigious double degree. All students will spend their first year at UCL SSEES and their second year at a partner university of their choice.

Degree summary

The programme combines rigorous research methods training, discipline-based and area studies training and intensive language tuition. Students develop cultural and linguistic knowledge of Eastern and Western Europe, and acquire the skills to identify and critically analyse key factors shaping the economies, states and societies of the expanding European region. All students will spend their first year at UCL SSEES and their second year at a partner university of their choice.

Students benefit from an integrated study programme, with the first year spent at UCL School of Slavonic & East European Studies (SSEES) and the second year at one of the partner universities in the Czech Republic (Prague), Estonia (Tartu), Finland (Helsinki), Hungary (Budapest), Poland (Kraków), Serbia (Belgrade) and Russia (Moscow).

Our specialist library is unrivalled in the UK and our central London location provides an ideal environment for research. Our close contacts with employers, policymakers and alumni afford excellent opportunities for networking and career development.

The programme is delivered through a combination of lectures, seminars, tutorials and research supervision. Assessment is by written examination, coursework and dissertation; language courses involve an oral examination.

Degree structure

Mode: Full-time: 2 years
Location: London, Bloomsbury

Students take modules to a total value of 120 ECTS, with 60 ECTS taken in year one at UCL and 60 ECTS taken in year two at their chosen institution.

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.

YEAR ONE COMPULSORY MODULES
- Political Analysis (6 ECTS) and one of the following modules:
  - Understanding and Analysing Data (6 ECTS); Qualitative Methods (6 ECTS); or Introduction to Discourse Analysis (6 ECTS)
  - Language*

*If not taken in year one, a Language module is compulsory in year two.

OPTIONAL MODULES INCLUDE
- 36 ECTS or 48 ECTS if no language taken in year one
- Anthropology, Politics, Intimacy
- Baltic Politics and Society
- Comparative Analysis in Social and Political Research
- Causes, Consequences and Control: Corruption and Governance
- Democracy and Authoritarianism in Post-communist Europe
- Informal Practices in Post-communist societies
- Interdisciplinary Area Studies
- The Making of Modern Ukraine
- Political Sociology
- Post-Soviet Politics
- Russian Foreign Policy
- Russian Politics
- Security, Identity, Polarity: The Contemporary Debates
- Understanding 'Transitional Justice'

Year 2 modules will vary depending on second year destination choices. Please visit the IMESS website for further information.

DISSERTATION/REPORT
- All students undertake an independent research project in their second year, which culminates in a dissertation of approximately 20,000–25,000 words.
Graduates of this programme are qualified to progress to doctoral research in the European area; others may advance to careers in governmental or international organisations, and may specialise in finance, commerce, analysis or consultancy. Other destinations include careers in diplomacy, journalism, or in non-governmental organisations. Indeed, the scope of IMESS is broad and so too, correspondingly, are the post-IMESS possibilities.

Employability
Graduates of the programme have taken leadership positions in distinguished private and public sector organisations (including the IMF, EBRD, OSCE, NATO, United Nations, in risk control, banks and financial institutions, diplomacy and media, and the civil service) and many have also continued to doctoral studies. 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 Economy, State and Society at graduate level
// why you want to study Economy, State and Society 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
// 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: £10,663 (FT)
// EU: £10,663 (FT)
// Overseas: £18,976 (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.

IMESS Scholarships for Home/EU and Overseas applicants are available. For funding opportunities please visit the IMESS website. 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
Scholarship applicants: 24 March 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