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Our Study Programmes

- Master in Social Sciences and Educational Sciences
- Master in European Governance
- Master in Legislative Studies
- Master en Études Parlementaires
- Certificate in Sustainable Development and Social Innovation

Master in Social Sciences and Educational Sciences



Social Sciences



Programme

120 ECTS / 4 semesters

Full-time

Registration fees:
200€ / semester



Admission

Bachelor's degree or equivalent (180 ECTS) in an educational or social science (or multiple disciplines) and a strong interest in theoretical perspectives and excellent methodological skills.

Language requirements: English C1 (CEFR). Knowledge of French and German are considered an asset.



Teaching language

English



Applications

EU applications:
April – July

Non-EU applications:
February – April



This international, multidisciplinary, research-based Master in Social Sciences and Educational Sciences addresses topics at the nexus of education and society and key challenges facing contemporary societies, especially European welfare states.

The Master in Social Sciences and Educational Sciences (MASSES) focuses on the analysis of changes in institutions and organisations caused by social, economic and political integration and comparisons of the development of educational and social policies across time and space. Particular emphasis is on Luxembourg, its neighbouring countries and Europe within the context of internationalisation. Innovatively, theories and methodologies of a variety of academic disciplines, including sociology, education and political science, are jointly utilised in analysis and problem solving.

The Master in Social Sciences and Educational Sciences brings together:

- social scientific analysis of education, social systems, and policies
- multi-level and comparative analyses at local, national, European, and global levels
- sociological, educational, political, historical and cultural perspectives

The programme provides the academic foundations needed for advanced-level research, e.g. in Sociology of Education, and the professional tools required for careers in expanding education and science systems. Students are taught to understand the development of education and welfare states (e.g. schooling and social services) across time – and to compare across cases.



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A research-based study programme with insider views on educational policymaking.

Career perspectives

Students will be prepared to either continue their academic career in doctoral programmes at the University of Luxembourg (or other leading universities globally) or transition to a wide variety of national or international organisations, governments, foundations or associations in Luxembourg, throughout Europe and beyond.

Programme objectives

Students of the programme:

- cultivate critical understandings of research related to fields of study in the social and educational sciences;
- follow and engage in debates on changing societies;
- acquire and expand knowledge of social inequalities and welfare state regimes; compare, critique, and plan reforms of education and science as well as social service systems;
- design, develop, and conduct empirical research using quantitative, qualitative, historical or mixed methods;
- extend expertise in several academic fields of study (social sciences, education, social and education policy); and
- engage in developing policies and programmes on local, national, and international levels.

Programme structure

In small discussion-rich seminars, students together explore developments and challenges, from global to local, as they learn to make sense of cultural, socio-economic, and political characteristics of educational and social welfare systems and wider societal contexts. Seminars are taught in English, with comprehensive training in academic writing offered throughout the course, which culminates in an extensive research thesis written in the second year.

Mentoring by internationally known scholars in the social and educational sciences is paired with opportunities to contribute to cutting-edge research projects at the university and affiliated research institutes.

Within the Faculty of Humanities, Education and Social Sciences, students may participate in on-going research projects and collaborate with professors and researchers.

Professional partnerships within Luxembourg include research centers such as the Luxembourg Institute for Socio-economic Research (LISER) and the Luxembourg Income Study (LIS) – located in the same building – as well as an array of international (non-)governmental organisations, such as UNESCO and OECD.

Internationally, academic collaborations and exchanges exist with universities in the United States (Penn State University), Switzerland (University of Fribourg) and Germany (University of Hannover), among others.

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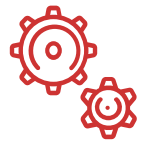
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Master in European Governance



Social Sciences



Programme

120 ECTS / 4 semesters
Full-time
Registration fees:
200€ / semester



Admission

Bachelor's degree or equivalent (180 ECTS) in
in political science or another relevant area.
Language competencies: English C1 (CEFR).
Knowledge of French is an asset.



Teaching languages

The programme is mostly
taught in English and all
compulsory courses are
available in English.

French is the second language
of the programme.



Applications

EU applications:
February – July

Non-EU applications:
February – April

The Master in European Governance benefits from its privileged situation in the heart of one of the major institutional centres of the European Union. Students gain a unique insight into the processes of European decision-making and explore the historical developments of European integration and the foundations of the EU legal system.

The Master in European Governance educates experts in European public policy, providing an advanced-level training in political science complemented by a wider interdisciplinarity.

Students choose from a range of policy area seminars from different sectors including social, economic, environmental and external policies of the European Union. Students also develop transferable skills including data analysis, report-writing and oral presentation skills.

An intensive examination of the EU institutions and processes

Taught in the heart of one of the principal institutional centres of the European Union, the Master in European Governance distinctively combines:

- a strong core of teaching on European politics and policy
- a broader interdisciplinary curriculum on European integration
- a series of practitioner-led seminars providing unique insight into the processes of European decision-making

The University of Luxembourg is internationally recognised as a leading centre for the study of European integration, European Union governance and European politics more generally. The University of Luxembourg is a member of the prestigious Europaeum network and hosts a Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence.



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**This Master
combines an
in-depth teaching
programme
and dynamic,
internationally
connected research
projects.**

Career perspectives

The programme prepares for a career in the public and private sector in the area of European public policy, in international consulting firms, the European institutions or national governance bodies or further studies at PhD level.

Programme objectives

Students of the programme :

- acquire an advanced-level knowledge of the functioning of the institutional system of the European Union, as well as of a wider range of European public policies, particularly in the areas of economic, social and environmental policy
- benefit from a solid disciplinary grounding in political science complemented by an awareness of interdisciplinary research methods
- develop transferable skills (data analysis; report writing; oral presentation, etc.)
- learn about the working methods of the European institutions and/or of private sector firms, including internship opportunities
- profit from the experience of an English-language programme with French-language options, situated within a wider multilingual context

Programme structure and organisation

The curriculum covers a full-time two-year programme including mandatory and optional courses, with the final semester being dedicated to an internship and/or a dissertation.

The first semester lays the foundations with courses on the EU institutions, theories of European integration, International Relations, diplomacy, and history, among others. The second semester focuses on EU law, the interaction between domestic and European policy-making and offers students the opportunity to study how the EU institutions function in practice through discussions with practitioners. The semester also offers a wide range of options on international development, human rights, the EU in the World, democracy, social policy, for example.

The third semester focuses on European policies such as energy policy, foreign and security policy and economic policy, among others. During the third semester students may also apply for a semester abroad, either at one of the programme's partner universities in Europe or outside Europe under the University of Luxembourg's Global Exchange programme.

The teaching staff is composed of internationally highly recognised academics and high-level professionals.

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Master in Legislative Studies



Social Sciences



Programme

120 ECTS / 4 semesters

Full-time

Registration fees:
1.500€ / an



Admission

Bachelor's degree or equivalent (180 ECTS)
in public administration, law, contemporary
political history, international relations,
philosophy, political science, polytechnical
studies, economic sciences and social
sciences.

Language competencies: French C1 and
English B2 (CEFR)



Teaching languages

French, English



Applications

EU applications:
March – August

Non-EU applications:
February – April



The Master in Legislative Studies contributes to further the knowledge and studies in the functioning of contemporary decision-making processes at regional, national, European and international levels.

The Master in Legislative Studies provides students with an in-depth knowledge of decision-making and legislative processes.

Future graduates will acquire practical skills related to public engineering, design and evaluation of public policy. They will develop the ability to deal with demographic, economic, societal and scientific configurations requiring the intervention of the legislator and all the public and private institutions that participate in its production within the framework of Governance.

The multidisciplinary programme offers courses in public administration, law, political science, economics, ethics, sociology and geography.

This multidisciplinary approach allows students to prepare for the complex issues of legislative processes and anthropological, cultural, environmental, geopolitical and technological challenges facing political systems.

This Master is the result of a unique teaching and research partnership among the University of Luxembourg (Luxembourg), Aix-Marseille University (France), Babes-Bolyai University (Romania), Université Laval (Canada) and Senghor University (Egypt).



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A unique collaboration with the 92 Parliaments of the Assemblée Parlementaire de la Francophonie and the European Parliament.



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Career perspectives

The Master in Legislative Studies prepares students for careers in the public sector, institutions at regional, national, European and international level, auditing firms, professional lobbyist associations, non-governmental organisations, think tanks and foundations working in the field of public affairs, scientific and public evaluation offices. The Master in Parliamentary Studies also gives access to doctoral studies.

Programme objectives

As a student in the programme, students will :

- be able to understand and analyse the functioning of assemblies of deliberative bodies, their decision-making processes and the citizens' right to elect their representatives through political elections;
- have the opportunity to engage in personalized learning through thesis and internship report writing, as requested by relevant institutions and/or organisations;
- participate into federating events (internships and field trips) among decision-makers, scholars and students;
- have the opportunity to specialise in drafting legal and policy texts (such as laws, regulations, guidelines, international texts, codes of conduct or standardised contracts).

Programme structure

The curriculum covers a two-year full-time programme, with the final semester devoted to the completion of a thesis. The programme is organised in five "concentrations". Depending on the "concentration", students spend the first year (M1) in one of the five partner universities. The second year (M2) is spent at the University of Luxembourg:

- Concentration 1: Legislative studies, comparative politics and European politics, University of Luxembourg (Luxembourg);
- Concentration 2: Public Law and electoral law in France, Aix-Marseille University (France);
- Concentration 3: International Politics, Babes-Bolyai University (Romania);
- Concentration 4: American legislative and public administration studies, (path to a double-diploma Master) Laval University (Canada);
- Concentration 5: Public Policies and Legislative Studies in Africa, Senghor University (Egypt).

Programme organisation

The course is a blend of theoretical and practical approaches geared towards securing the employability of future graduates as they chose their career paths, either in the public or private sector. Lectures and seminars are delivered by, both academics and practitioners with a multidisciplinary approach.

The Master in Legislative Studies operates as a programme under the auspices of the Chair for Research in Legislative Studies of the Chamber of Deputies of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg and Assemblée parlementaire de la Francophonie at the University of Luxembourg.

Students will also be able to obtain the Erasmus+ EurIdentity Certificate in Luxembourg:



Master en Études Parlementaires



Social Sciences



Programme

120 ECTS / 4 semestres

Temps plein

Frais d'inscription :
1.500€ / an



Admission

Bachelor ou tout autre diplôme équivalent (180 ECTS) en administration publique, en droit, en histoire politique contemporaine, en relations internationales, en philosophie, en sciences politiques, polytechnique et en sciences économiques et sociales.

Compétences linguistiques :
français C1 et anglais B2 (CEFR).



Langues d'enseignement

Français, anglais



Inscriptions

Candidatures U.E. :
mars – août

Candidatures non-U.E. :
février – avril



**Le Master en Études
Parlementaires a pour finalité
de contribuer à la connaissance
et à l'étude du fonctionnement
des processus décisionnels
et législatifs contemporains
au niveau régional, national,
européen et international.**

Le Master en Études Parlementaires permet aux étudiants d'acquérir une connaissance approfondie des processus décisionnels et législatifs.

Les futurs diplômés acquerront des compétences pratiques se rapportant à l'ingénierie publique, à la conception et à l'évaluation des politiques publiques. Ils développeront des capacités à traiter des nouvelles configurations démographiques, économiques, sociétales et scientifiques nécessitant l'intervention de tous les acteurs de la Gouvernance, Législateur comme institutions publiques et privées.

Le programme pluridisciplinaire propose des cours en administration publique, droit, sciences politiques, économie, éthique, géographie, polytechnique, philosophie et sociologie.

Cette approche pluridisciplinaire permet de préparer les étudiants aux enjeux complexes des processus législatifs et aux défis anthropologiques, culturels, environnementaux géopolitiques et technologiques auxquels les systèmes politiques doivent faire face.

Le Master est le fruit d'une collaboration d'enseignement et de recherche unique entre l'Université du Luxembourg (Luxembourg), Aix-Marseille Université (France), l'Université Babeş-Bolyai (Roumanie), l'Université Laval (Canada) et l'Université Senghor (Egypte).



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Débouchés professionnels

Le Master en Études Parlementaires prépare à des carrières dans le secteur public, les institutions au niveau régional, national, européen et international, les cabinets d'audit, les associations professionnelles de lobbyistes, les organisations non-gouvernementales, les think tanks et les fondations travaillant dans le domaine des affaires publiques, les offices d'évaluation scientifique et publique. Le Master en Études Parlementaires donne également accès aux formations doctorales.

Objectifs du programme

Le programme permet de :

- améliorer la compréhension et l'analyse du fonctionnement des assemblées des institutions délibérantes, de leurs processus décisionnels ainsi que le droit électoral par lequel le citoyen désigne ses représentants;
- développer des études personnalisées à travers les mémoires de stages et/ou de recherche à la demande des institutions concernées;
- encourager la discussion et l'échange entre les acteurs, les universitaires, les étudiants par l'organisation d'événements fédérateurs (stages et visites d'institutions);
- offrir aux diplômés la chance de se spécialiser dans la rédaction de textes juridiques et politiques (tels que des lois, règlements, lignes directrices, textes internationaux, codes de conduite ou contrats normalisés).

Structure du programme

Le Master en Études Parlementaires se déroule sur deux ans à temps plein, le dernier semestre étant consacré à la réalisation d'un mémoire. Le programme est organisé en cinq "concentrations". Selon la "concentration" choisie, les étudiants passent la première année (M1) dans l'une des cinq universités partenaires. La deuxième année (M2) se déroule obligatoirement à l'Université du Luxembourg:

- Concentration "études législatives, politiques comparées & européennes", Université du Luxembourg (Luxembourg);
- Concentration "droit public et droit électoral français", Aix-Marseille Université, (France);
- Concentration "politiques internationales" Université Babeş-Bolyai (Roumanie);
- Concentration "études législatives américaines & administration publique", (cheminement bi-diplômant à la Maîtrise), Université Laval (Canada);
- Concentration "politiques publiques et études législatives africaines", Université Senghor (Egypte).

Organisation du programme

Le Master en Études Parlementaires est une formation théorique et pratique qui assure l'employabilité de ces futurs diplômés et les conduit à des carrières à la fois dans le secteur public et privé. Le programme propose des cours et des séminaires assurés par des académiques et des praticiens dans une perspective pluridisciplinaire.

Le Master est l'un des programmes de la Chaire de recherche en études parlementaires de la Chambre des Députés du Luxembourg et de l'Assemblée parlementaire de la Francophonie à l'Université du Luxembourg.

Les étudiants pourront obtenir aussi à Luxembourg le Certificat Erasmus+ EurIdentity:



Certificate in Sustainable Development and Social Innovation



Social Sciences



Programme

20 ECTS / 2 to 6 semesters
Every Tuesday from 5.15 pm to 8.30 pm at Campus Kirchberg

200€ / semester



Admission

The main prerequisite is a strong motivation to engage professionally and or personally to foster societal transformation for sustainability.

The selection criteria are specified in the guide for applicants. Fluency in English is required. Candidates are selected upon submission of a letter of motivation and CV.



Teaching languages

The programme is taught in French and English.



Applications

EU applications:

Non-EU applications:



The Certificate aims to provide a better understanding of the complex challenges that societies, organisations and individuals face as we approach the limits of the biophysical carrying capacity of our planet. Sustainability and Social Innovation are inseparable: active involvement of both citizens and science is necessary for guiding and monitoring the innovations that promise to protect or improve our lifestyle standards.

The study programme offers tools for social learning to tap into the collective intelligence of stakeholders and experts. Issues such as energy, water and food production, waste and recycling, sustainable housing and transport are covered. The courses provide an overview on the most recent insights from academics and practitioners relating to global change and to transformative learning for sustainability.

A Certificate created to engage on sustainability

The Certificate targets professionals and students of any degree programme (Bachelor, Master, or Ph.D.) and offers direct experience of engaging and co-creating with a very diverse social learning group. Experiential learning opportunities, including peer group projects on salient problems in Luxembourg, equip participants for making better informed and more reflexive judgments for effective action.

The programme is designed to be compatible with a full-time job or study programme. Students have a choice: They can enrol to obtain the Certificate as second qualification in parallel to pursuing their main degree whilst at the University. Alternatively they can take individual courses as optional courses that count towards their main degree.



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Become a change agent to influence the future more effectively

Programme objectives

Participants will develop the following competences:

- to apply systems thinking to understand the complexity of society, environment and their interactions.
- to respect the conflicting perspectives on an issue that are held by diverse experts and stakeholders, stemming from diversity in experience, values and world views.
- to recognise uncertainties and tensions arising from the gulf between local and global perspectives and modes of inquiry.
- skills in negotiation: respect, listening, giving and taking to find mutually acceptable solutions to complex problems.
- an appreciation of alternative forms of social organization and enterprise for achieving a sustainable economic exchange system.
- to develop 'citizen science' approaches and techniques for creatively integrating the social and scientific emphases of the two phases of the course.
- to engage science and scientists productively in social learning processes with diverse groups of stakeholders for concerted action on local issues of environment and sustainability.

Programme structure and organisation

Core Course 1: 'Science and Citizens meet Challenges of Sustainability' (SCCS)

This interdisciplinary course equips participants with conceptual tools and most recent insights from academics and practitioners to actively engage in societal transformation for sustainability in a networked world.

Core Course 2: 'Social Enterprise and Social Innovation' (SESI)

This course explores social enterprises as vehicles for social innovation to address challenges of social inequity and sustainability. Diverse legal, financial and business models, and stakeholder relations aspects are explored. One overarching theme is defining, measuring and reporting on the common good and sustainable value creation in a pluralist society.

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