

Boryana Chaneva

Graduated in 2003

Coordinator University of Malta
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"Completing the European Studies course is like having a passport to different career paths, not necessarily restricted to the EU or the Public Service."



Yves Cordina

Graduated in 2008

Assistant at the Council of the European
Union - Maltese Translation Department

"The course has prepared me for my career by providing a solid background of the history, law and working methods of the EU, amongst other interesting topics. An excellent orientation for anyone desiring a career in EU affairs."



Martha Simon Delicata

Graduated in 2005

Project Officer, International Centre for
Migration Policy Development, Austria

"The Institute provided me with the necessary knowledge and gave me the solid basis I needed to launch my career... Surely I never thought I would achieve so much in these years and I look at my past positively knowing that I had made the right choice when I decided to study at the Institute"



Alumni Network

The Institute tries to maintain contact with its alumni by sending them a newsletter and information about its activities. The Institute's alumni network can be contacted at europeanstudies@um.edu.mt

Further information about the University of Malta Alumni community may be obtained by accessing the following link: <http://www.um.edu.mt/alumni>



About the Institute

The Institute for European Studies is a multi-disciplinary teaching and research Institute at the University of Malta offering courses in European Studies which fully conform to the Bologna guidelines, including an evening Diploma, Bachelor degrees, a Masters and Ph.D. The Institute also operates a number of Erasmus agreements for staff and student exchanges. Graduates of the Institute have found jobs in the public sector, in business, with the EU Institutions, the media, consultancy firms, NGOs and some have also continued with further study.

Founded in 1991 as the European Documentation and Research Centre (EDRC) it acquired the status of a Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence in 2004. The Institute has also developed links with various research networks such as the Trans European Policy Studies Association (TEPSA), LISBOAN, two Euro-Mediterranean networks EUROMESCO and FEMISE as well as the European Association of Development Institutes (EADI).

The research interests of its staff include comparative politics and history of the European Union (EU); EU institutions; EU external relations and enlargement; small states in the EU; Malta in the EU; Euro-Mediterranean Relations; Stability and Growth Pact; Economic Governance of the Euro Area; Europe 2020; EU development policies and Climate Change.

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UNIVERSITY OF MALTA
L-Università ta' Malta

Bachelor of European Studies (Honours)

Bachelor of European Studies



Institute for European Studies

Academic Programme

The Institute offers two types of Bachelor degrees, both taught over three years of full-time study and worth 180 credits (ECTS). The Bachelor of European Studies consists of **not less than** 90 credits (ECTS) in European Studies, not less than 74 credits in another area of study and the rest are optional study-units. The Bachelor of European Studies (Honours) consists of **not less than** 132 credits in European Studies, 36 credits in a subsidiary area and the rest optionals. Students in the Honours degree programme must write a dissertation.

Both degrees are accepted as entry qualifications for the MA European Studies. The approach is multidisciplinary, involving the politics, history, economics and law of the EU. Students acquire knowledge and competence in, amongst others, the functioning of the EU institutions, EU treaties and laws, the economics of European integration, the history of European integration, small states and the EU, enlargement, Euro-Mediterranean relations, EU social policy, climate change and EU environmental issues, development studies, the EU's External Relations and the Common Foreign and Security Policy.

Further information about courses offered may be accessed through the following link:
<http://www.um.edu.mt/courses>

Entry Requirements

To be registered as regular students in the Course, applicants shall, apart from satisfying the general requirements for admission into the University as specified in the general regulations, be in possession of a pass at Intermediate Matriculation Level in English and those qualifications relevant to their second area of study whether taken as an Ordinary Main area or as a Subsidiary area.

http://www.um.edu.mt/registrar/prospective/general_entry_requirements

ERASMUS Programme

The Institute is well connected with overseas academic institutions and offers students a choice of places, currently 15 universities, where they can pursue a semester of study under the EU's ERASMUS programme.



Placements – Get Work Experience

European Studies students can obtain work experience and earn credits through a traineeship programme implemented together with leading Maltese and European entities. This programme offers them a better understanding of the work environment and its dynamics while allowing them to benefit from practical aspects of public and private work-related experience in the area of European Studies. Proper mentorship is also ensured throughout the programme.

Dissertation and Research Methods

In the final year of the course, students following the Bachelor of European Studies (Honours) must write a dissertation which is normally supervised by a member of the academic staff or a specialist appointed by the Institute. The dissertation must not exceed 15,000 words.

The Institute provides students with training on research and writing skills particularly on how to apply reference systems, methodology, the use of library facilities and EU resources at the EDC and how to access and use on-line databases.

Dissertation Seminar

During the final year, a live-in seminar is organised during which students discuss their work and receive feedback from panels composed of members of the resident-academic staff of the Institute.

The European Documentation Centre (EDC)

The Institute hosts the European Documentation Centre, a depository and library of EU documents and publications, mostly supplied by the European Commission.

Testimonials

Olivia Gippner

Graduated in 2008

Researcher with the NFG Research Group 'Asian Perceptions of the EU', Free University of Berlin, currently on field study at Beijing University, PR China

"I thoroughly enjoyed my studies at the Institute and the first-hand experience of the initial years of Malta's EU membership. My great experience at the University of Malta gave me that foundation to pursue my present research on China-EU relations and on what it means when two political systems and traditions meet and start building partnerships."



Jean Micallef Grimaud

Graduated in 2000

Assistant Lecturer, Institute for European Studies University of Malta

"Besides enriching one's knowledge of European affairs, the course establishes solid foundations to further studies both locally and abroad. It is also a necessary key that opens employability prospects both within the civil service in Malta as well as with the EU institutions"



Alison Camilleri

Graduated in 2006

Head- EU Funding at the Malta-EU Steering & Action Committee (MEUSAC)
Bachelors in European Studies with French (hons.)

" The bachelor's degree I followed at the Institute for European Studies gave me the opportunity to gain in-depth insight into the various aspects of the EU. Thanks to the variety of topics covered, I was able to determine the career I wanted to follow and this was the case when I was introduced to regional policy of the EU."

