Institute for European Studies
Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence

MA in European Politics, Economics and Law

For over six decades, the European Union has contributed to the advancement of peace and reconciliation, democracy and human rights in Europe.

The Masters in European Politics, Economics and Law is geared towards those wishing to deepen their knowledge of the EU and to tap the countless opportunities that such an expertise affords.

Graduates of the Institute work with the EU institutions, in the public service, in business, the media, consultancy, NGOs while others have continued their studies leading to a PhD.

The Institute for European Studies is a multi-disciplinary teaching and research institution at the University of Malta established in 1991 and offering courses in European Studies, which conform fully to the Bologna guidelines, at Diploma, Bachelors, Masters and Doctoral level. All courses are taught in English.

Course Structure and Duration
The programme can be followed full time (3 semesters) or part time (5 semesters). Seminars are normally held from 15:00 to 17:00 on week days. The degree is worth 90 ECTS credits. Course work provides 60 ECTS credits of the total and the dissertation 30 ECTS credits.

Entry Requirements
The Course is open to applicants in possession of a Bachelor degree (Honours), second class or higher, in European Studies or in an area deemed relevant by the Board.

Applicants with a general degree may apply, see http://www.um.edu.mt/europeanstudies/overview/PMAESTPDT8-2012-3-O

The Institute also offers an MA Preparatory Programme.

The application deadline is 23rd July 2013 and applications can be made online at http://www.um.edu.mt/onlineapplications

The University also offers a course finder service: http://www.um.edu.mt/courses/

ERASMUS
The Institute has a number of Erasmus agreements with universities across Europe which allow postgraduate students the chance to spend a semester abroad as part of the Masters programme.

European Documentation Centre (EDC)
The EDC, a depository of EU documents, sits alongside the Institute’s departmental library, which includes the Institute’s dissertation archive. The EDC is equipped with wi-fi facilities.

PhD Programme
The MA can be a useful step towards the Institute’s PhD programme which may be followed both full and part time.

Academic Programme*
Compulsory Study–Units:
- Theories of European Integration
- European Economic Integration
- The Law of the Institutions of the EU
- Dissertation

Elective Credits:
Politics:
- The EU in World Politics
- Current Issues in EU Politics
- The Role of the Institutions in the EU Policy Process
- The EU and its Mediterranean Neighbourhood
- Lobbying in the EU
- EU Enlargement
- Theories and Issues of Political Science
- The EU Legislative Process and the Political - Dynamics of Institutional Negotiations
- Long Essay (6,000 words)

Economics:
- Advances in EU Trade Policy
- EU Cohesion Policy
- European Financial Markets
- Current Issues in the Euro Zone
- The EU and Climate Change
- EU Environmental Economics
- EU Development Policy

Law:
- The Law of Fundamental Freedoms
- EU and Comparative Competition Law and Policy
- EU and Comparative Consumer Law
- EU Migration and Asylum Law
- EU Transport Law
- Environmental Legislation and Policy of the EU
- Labour Law in the EU
- EU and International Trade Law and Policy

* Programme may vary from year to year

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