UNIVERSITY OF MALTA

The University of Malta traces its origins to the founding of the Collegium Melitense which was set up in 1592. Today, it hosts over 11,000 students following full-time and part-time degree and diploma courses. The University of Malta is the highest teaching institution in Malta. It is publicly funded and its structures are in line with the Bologna Process and the European Higher Education Area. It strives to provide courses that are relevant to contemporary needs of the industry and employers.

INSTITUTE FOR EUROPEAN STUDIES

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 with the Bologna guidelines, including Bachelor degrees, Masters and Ph.D courses. 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 a 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).

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Bachelor

Institute for European Studies

Bachelor of European Studies and Bachelor of European Studies (Honours)

ACADEMIC PROGRAMME

The Institute offers two types of Bachelor degrees, both taught over three years of full-time study. Both degrees are accepted as entry qualifications for the MA in European Politics, Economics & Law. 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, European security, 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: ***um.edu.mt/courses***

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES AND ACCESS TO FURTHER STUDY

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.

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 Bachelor of European Studies (Honours) have to 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 12,000 words including footnotes.

Gozo 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.

European Documentation Centre (EDC) & Europe Direct Information Centre (EDIC)

The Institute hosts the European Documentation Centre, a depository and library of EU documents and publications as well as Europe Direct Information Centre. The person in charge of the EDC is Mr. Stefan Bezzina who can be contacted at ***stefan.bezzina@um.edu.mt***

ALUMNI NETWORK

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

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.

Yves Cordina

Assistant at the Council of the European Union - Maltese Translation Department. Graduated in 2008.

Although my academic studies focused on European Integration, it was extremely interesting to view European politics from the Maltese perspective as a new and economically smaller member state.

Dr Olivia Gippner

Researcher, Institute of European Integration a the Free University of Berlin. Graduated in 2008.

The BA European Studies course was an amazing learning experience. The course is well balanced, touching the aspects of political, social and economic areas. It has certainly opened new horizons and it helped me to launch a career in Policy Development within the Public Sector.

Michelle Formosa

Policy Development Manager with Malta Marittima Agency. Graduated in 2016.