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UNIVERSITY OF TRIESTE PRESENTATION SHEET

Part and parcel of the General Master Announcement for the academic year 2010/2011

MA in “Comunicazione e metodi per le Politiche Comunitarie Communications and Methods in European Policy Making”

The Master

The Faculty of Political Sciences of the University of Trieste activates for the Academic Year 2010/2011 the Master (first level, two years) in “Comunicazione e metodi per le politiche comunitarie – Communications and methods in European Policy Making”.

The Master in “Comunicazione e metodi per le politiche comunitarie – Communications and methods in European Policy Making” is organised by IUIES (International University Institute for European Studies). The Institute is configured as a Consortium comprising the University of Trieste, the University of Udine, the University of Cluj-Napoca (Romania), the Eotvos Lorand University of Budapest (Hungary), the University of Klagenfurt (Austria), the Comenius University of Bratislava (Slovak Republic), the Jagiellonian University of Krakow (Poland), MGIMO University of Moscow (Russian Federation), The University of Nova Gorica (Slovenia) and the Istituto di Sociologia Internazionale di Gorizia (ISIG), all of which have signed a special agreement for this purpose.

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Aims

The Master's course has the following aims:

- to teach students the qualitatively and quantitatively complex methodology by means of which EU policies take shape, passing from the state of “political” decisions made in inter-governmental conferences, to the consequent definition of policies by the EU and thence to the operational processes and the expected results of these Union policies;
- to develop students' sensitivity to the dynamics of these methods in relation to political changes in member states and the enlargement of the European Union;
- to provide students with a sound understanding of the ability of the European Union to constitute an effective policy-making framework;
- to provide students with an understanding of European policy making at supranational, inter-governmental and local level, taking account of the issues involved in relations between member states and supranational institutions;
- to provide students with the practical ability to analyse and assess EU policies and their application;
- to enable students to demonstrate their understanding of the conceptual elements involved in the development of a European level of government;
- to develop curricula and teaching methods which are appropriate for a multicultural student group;
- to use the specific historical and cultural backgrounds of the various countries to understand the meaning of single countries' agendas and to identify various policy scenarios.

Course will be taught by lecturers working in the University of Trieste and lecturers from other Italian and foreign universities, as well as by qualified experts on national and international organisations.

Job profile

The expert in European policies may undertake a career as free lancer or may be insert in several professional fields within public administration or as staff in Ministry or in regions and local authorities at regional level (national and international) and European level. The European policy expert may be insert in lobbying

associations or dealing with promotion and evaluation of policies, in consultancies and NGO dealing with public policies.

Moreover, the theoretical MA structure offers the necessary background for further studies in journalism or in the academic world.

Besides, the expert in European policies is equipped with an high level knowledge in EU projects for the coordination and management of projects within the frame of EC programmes.

Teaching Method, Attendance and Duration

The course has a 2 years long duration, which corresponds to a total of 120 ECTS Credits.

Lectures will be given **in English**.

Frontal didactic activities, all scheduled in the first year, will take place between March to July 2010 according to the timetable which will be communicated to students.

The evaluation of every single course provides that students have to take a final profit examination. At the end of the programme students will seat an examination with the discussion of the dissertation.

Attendance is compulsory (70% of the lessons).

Evaluation is expressed following ECTS system.

Students are admitted to the second year if they have obtained all required credits. If not so, the Course Board will evaluate his/her situation and decide if let students attend courses on the second year or exclude him/her from the MA.

In order to achieve the MA degree candidates have to present and discuss a written dissertation, in Italian or English, of not less than 40 pages. The final dissertation can be discussed only during the second year and after having obtained all necessary credits, that is 95.

the last 25 final credits will be awarded passing the final examination, the evaluation is expressed in 110/110.

The final thesis has to be an original work based on the results of the activities and researches attended during the course.

Credits will be assigned according to the following scheme:

Area Formativa	Denominazione dell'attività formativa	CFU
EU Integration process	Institutional EU Integration model	5
	Social EU Integration model	5
	History of European Integration	5
	The Future of Europe	5
EU Law	EU Law	5
	EU Institutional Framework	2
	International Law	2
EU Policies	EU Financial and Budgetary Policy	5
	EU Social Policy	5
	Regional policy: EU programmes and territorial initiatives	5
	Policy Analyst	5
Communication techniques	Mass Communication techniques	5
	EU public relator	5
Specific training	Project cycle manager	5
	Stakeholders in the EU Policy Making Process	2
	Forecasting Techniques	2
	EU funding analyst	2
Language preparation	Diplomatic Discourse	5
Stages		20
Prova finale		25
Totale complessivo		120

Admission Requirements

Applicants must be in possession of a first level degree award (DM 509/99) (or of another Italian degree award

got before the coming into force of DM 509/99, or of a corresponding foreign degree).

For qualifications whose equivalent value to an Italian university degree has not been officially recognised, the Course Directorate will assess such equivalence for the sole purposes of admission to the course (see FOREIGN STUDENTS SECTION in the Master Announcement).

There are 25 places available.

Under the minimum amount of students, which has been fixed at 10, the MA will not be activated.

Admission Examination

- If the number of applicants listed is **lower** than or equal to 25, there will be a exam aiming to test the adequate **knowledge of the English language of the applicants**. The exam, can be written or based on on-line procedure. The exam is organised by the IUIES Consortium will take place the **25.11.2010 at 11.00 a.m.** by the premises of the International University Institute for European Studies (Via Mazzini 13, Gorizia) (+39.0481.533.632). Applicants must show up with a valid identity document.
- If the number of applicants listed is **more** than 25, the admission to the course depends on the result of an examination **interview**. The evaluation will be in this case based on: final degree dissertation on subjects simila to MA area, degree final evaluation, publications or work experiences, attendance certificates of other similar academic courses, certificates of English knowledge.

The Examining Board will be composed of three teachers belonging to the Course Council. The President of the Board will be the Course Director. If held, the examination interview will take place the **25.11.2010 at 12.00 a.m.** by the premises of the International University Institute for European Studies (Via Mazzini 13, Gorizia) (+39.0481.533.632). Candidates will have to show up with a valid identity document.

Possible Scholarships

The IUIES (International University Institute for European Studies) which organises the Master in “Methods in European Policy Making” in order to facilitate the participation of students coming from countries whose living standard would not let them to bear the costs during the attendance period to the course, awards every year a certain number of “scholarships” (food stamp) to foreign students holding a student visa. Every scholarships is 520,00 Euro per each month of the attendance period.

Costs and Enrolment Fee

See the General Master Announcement

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