



EURO2M - Introduction

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Students can follow the "Master 120 en études européennes / Master 120 in European Studies" as a bilingual programme in French and English or they can choose to take all the courses in English only.

The European dimension is playing a growing role in social and economic affairs, in lawmaking and in the political lives of Member States, and has an increasing influence - directly or indirectly - on the lives of European citizens.

The Master in European Studies aims to prepare students for positions where this European dimension is important.

Classes take place in Louvain-la-Neuve.

Your profile

You

- are considering a career in the public administration, interest representation or consultancy associated with the European institutions, or a job in one of the various economic or social activities which require expertise in European affairs;
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EURO2M - Teaching profile

Learning outcomes

Students enrolled on the Master [120] in European Studies course are working towards becoming experts in the European public policy with the ability to thoroughly and critically analyse contemporary political phenomena and current political

CG4.1. Demonstrate an understanding and knowledge (for the focus chosen) of the issues unique to the different sectors of political life (environment, family, humanitarian, etc.).

CG4.2. Explain and analyse specific contexts and situations:

- Analyse the different regional geographic areas.
- Evaluate political action by sector or area.
- Use robust analytical and diagnostic tools.
- Apply a robust comparative approach.

CG4.3. Advise on “political” action in the broad sense of the term, demonstrating expertise and applying policy advice skills (influence and lobbying strategy, strategies and tools for political communication, negotiation/mediation and marketing).

CG4.4. Contribute to the analysis and/or design of management strategies for real-life political situations, according to the focus chosen.

CG5. Disseminate pertinent political, economic and social information adapted to the targeted sector of the public and interact constructively with the different stakeholders involved in a given situation.

CG5.1. Communicate pertinently, both verbally and in writing, on complex topics/situations in political sciences:

- Select the relevant information required to analyse and compare political situations.
- Present the information in an accurate, structured, clear, precise and well-argued manner (demonstrating an ability to prepare reports, assessments, critical reviews, notes, etc.).
- Adapt the communication (content and form) to the targeted sector of the public and to the intended purposes according to the communication standards specific to the context (popularising, etc.).

CG5.2. Communicate articulately in English, verbally and in writing, in a clear, coherent and well-argued manner on general matters or issues relating to the field of political sciences (level B2 of the Common European Framework of Reference).

CG5.3. Communicate, interact and negotiate constructively with various representatives, including colleagues, political decision-makers and target audiences.

CG5.4. Liaise and collaborate effectively within a team and network effectively with other agencies involved in a given situation.

CG6. Devise and implement a personal research project (thesis), adopting a robust and critical scientific and methodological approach, in order to conduct a detailed analysis of an issue related to political science (in the chosen field of study).

CG6.1. Define and explain a research subject, making sure that it is placed in the proper context.

CG6.2. Prepare a critical report on the literature relating to this subject, making active, critical and pertinent use of information tools and primary and secondary sources.

CG6.3. Construct and implement a robust and pertinent methodology in response.

CG6.4. Devise and carry out, if appropriate, a quantitative and/or qualitative empirical research project using suitable analytical tools.

CG6.5. Develop an objective analysis and the ability to summarise so as to enable the relevant parameters to be put into perspective and pertinent conclusions to be formed.

CG6.6. Demonstrate, in general terms, an attitude of critical detachment with regard to their own work and the knowledge and skills deployed.

CG7. Act as academics and critical and responsible players committed to continuous development.

CG7.1. Embark on a socio-professional practice using a well-founded academic approach (from a theoretical and methodological perspective) characterised by a reflective and critical attitude.

CG7.2. Work, make decisions and act independently and responsibly with regard to the framework, the work context and other people.

CG7.3. Be aware of their societal and civic responsibilities.

CG7.4. Maintain an attitude of critical detachment (to their knowledge, skills, limitations, achievements and actions) and of the continuous learning and development required to evolve positively in their socio-professional environment.

EE. Develop and acquire specialist skills related to the European Union with a view to filling the post of advisor, representative, analyst, manager with bodies or institutions within the European Union

EE.1. Master and critically apply in-depth and specialist knowledge relating to the European integration process:

- the political and social theories explaining the European integration process;
- economic, political, legal and historical knowledge related to European integration;
- the major categories of institutional (European and national) and non-institutional collaborators participating in the European political arena and their interactions;
- the organisational frameworks and decision-making processes at European level and their interactions with the national, regional and international levels;
- the major operational and developmental dynamics of the EU;
- the legal aspect of the functioning of the EU;
- the multi-level dimension of institutional systems;
- the analytical elements and tools required for an understanding and assessment of the internal and external dimensions of the European integration process.

EE.2. Develop a critical and interdisciplinary understanding of the representations of European integration, contrasting different models and paradigms of theoretical thinking on Europe.

EE.3. Understand the EU's external action in various fields and analyse all aspects of its external relations (institutional, legal, external action assessment).

EE.4. Analyse, expertly and with critical detachment, changes to economic and social integration within the EU, its internal and external political aspects and immediate outlook.

EE.5. Understand and develop an interdisciplinary and critical view of global issues for the EU, including energy security, sustainable development and the anticipated responses to the economic and financial crisis.

EE.6. Adopt a stance 620.90899Ep anpc1Bates within the EU, building a science-based, structured and critical line of argument.

- EE.7. Take into account the need to promote cultural diversity and dialogue between cultures within the EU.
- EE.8. Represent the interests of civil society with regard to European institutions.
- EE.9. Share their expertise on the functioning of European institutions with political, social and economic stakeholders at national, regional and international level.

EE-GSE On completion of the specialisation in 'European governance and societies', the student will have developed the following skills, according to the teaching units chosen:

- 'Democracy and Citizenship' module: the student will have gained an in-depth knowledge of the mechanisms governing European society, in relation to human rights and values.
- 'EU external relations and global governance' module: the student will have acquired expertise and a high level of skills in relation to the EU's external action and to the role of the EU as a global player in international relations, in this era of globalisation.
- 'Social and environmental Europe' and 'Economy and digital' modules: the student will have acquired expertise and a high level of skills in the management of European dossiers, focused on the EU's internal policies and decision-making processes.

Programme structure

The study programme is made up of a core curriculum representing 90 credits, as well as one professional focus of 30 credits.

The annual block 1 provides the basic legal, economic, historical and political knowledge necessary to move on the professional focus and to embark upon the writing of a dissertation.

Apart the writing of a dissertation, the annual block 2 is mainly focused on the specialization in the following fields:

- democracy and citizenship
- role of the European Union in the world and global government
- social and environmental policies
- economy and digital

EURO2M Programme

Detailed programme by subject

CORE COURSES [90.0]

- Mandatory
- ⊗ Optional
- △ Not offered in 2024-2025
- ⊖ Not offered in 2024-2025 but offered the following year
- ⊕ Offered in 2024-2025 but not the following year
- △ ⊕ Not offered in 2024-2025 or the following year
- Activity with requisites
- 🌐 Open to incoming exchange students
- 🚫 Not open to incoming exchange students
- (FR) Teaching language (FR, EN, ES, NL, DE, ...)

Click on the course title to see detailed informations (objectives, methods, evaluation...)

Core courses are structured into 90 credits. All activities take place at the Catholic University of Louvain in Louvain-la-Neuve.

Year

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o Master thesis (26 credits)

● LEUSL2003	Methodology seminar and introduction to master thesis	Denis Duez Clément Fontan	1 1 [q1+q2] [30h+2.5h] [6 Credits] 🌐	x
● LEUSL2001	Master thesis			

o Compulsory activities (64 credits)

○ LEUSL2010	Political Theories of European integration	Tom Delreux	EN [q1] [30h] [5 Credits]	X
○ LEUSL2012	External Action of the European Union	Tom Delreux	EN [q2] [30h] [5 Credits]	X
○ LEUSL2031	European political economy	Clément Fontan	EN [q1] [30h] [5 Credits]	X
○ LEUSL2040	Europe: culture and identity	Nicolas Solonakis	EN [q1] [15h] [3 Credits]	X
○ LEUSL2107	Current European topics	Edoardo Traversa	EN [q1] [15h+15h] [5 Credits]	X

o One activity among

⊗ LEUSL2011	Actors of the European political system	Denis Duez	EN [q2] [30h] [5 Credits]	X
⊗ LEUSL2015	Actors of the European political system	Tom Delreux	EN [q2] [30h] [5 Credits]	X

o One activity among

⊗ LEUSL2020	Institutional Law of the European Union	Antoine Bailleux	EN [q1] [45h] [6 Credits]	X
⊗ LEUSL2022	Institutional law of the European Union	Paul Nihoul François van der Mensbrugge	EN [q1] [45h] [6 Credits]	X

o One activity among

⊗ LEUSL2021	EU internal market law	Elliot Cobbaut (compensates Edoardo Traversa) Cédric Henet (compensates Pieter-Augustijn Van Malleghe)	EN [q2] [37.5h] [5 Credits]	X
⊗ LEUSL2023	EU internal market law	Luc Desaunettes	EN [q2] [37.5h] [5 Credits]	X

o One activity among

⊗ LEUSL2041	History of European integration	Vincent Dujardin	EN [q1] [30h] [5 Credits]	X
⊗ LEUSL2043	History of European integration	Jan-Willem Brouwer Wim Weymans	EN [q1] [30h] [5 Credits]	X

o Une activité à choisir parmi

⊗ LEUSL2030	Economic and social integration in Europe	Jean-Christophe Defraigne	EN [q2] [30h] [5 Credits]	X
⊗ LEUSL2104	Economic and monetary union			

Supplementary classes

To access this Master, students must have a good command of certain subjects. If this is not the case, in the first annual block of their Masters programme, students must take supplementary classes chosen by the faculty to satisfy course prerequisites.

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○ General Courses (30 credits)

○ Academic working methodology (5 credits)

○ LSPOL1125	Research design and skills	Pierre Baudewyns	EN [q1] [15h+15h] [5 Credits] 🌐
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○ Languages (5 credits)

Medium or good level; elementary level possible for German and Spanish. 1 course to choose from this list

⊗ LANGL1532	English for Business Students (Upper-Intermediate level)	Nicholas Gibbs Marielle Henriet (coord.) Adrien Kefer Philippe Neyt Katherine Opello (coord.) Hila Peer Mark Theodore Pertuit	EN [q1+q2] [60h] [5 Credits] 🌐 > French-friendly
⊗ LANGL2431	Interactive English to deal with contemporary issues	Lucille Meyers Adrien Pham (coord.)	EN [q1+q2] [45h] [5 Credits] 🌐
⊗ LANGL2433	English Communication Skills	Stéphanie Brabant Aurélié Deneumoustier (coord.) Marie Duelz (coord.) Claudine Grommersch	EN [q1 or q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐
⊗ LANGL2421	English interactive communication for lawyers / upper-intermediate level		EN [q1+q2] [30h] [5 Credits] △ 🌐
⊗ LANGL1531	English for Political Science - Advanced level	Timothy Byrne (coord.) Katherine Opello	EN [q1+q2] [45h] [5 Credits] 🌐
⊗ LNEER1331	Dutch for social and political sciences - Intermediate level - Part II	Valérie Dachy Dag Houdmont (coord.) Ann Rinder	NL [q1+q2] [45h] [5 Credits] 🌐
⊗ LALLE1101	German beginner's level 1st part (0-A1)	Fanny Desterbecq (compensates Ann Rinder)	DE [q1 or q2] [45h] [5 Credits] 🌐

○ Economy (5 credits)

○ LEURO1302	European economy	Nicolas Bednar	FR [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐
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○ Law (5 credits)

○ LDROI1226	European Union law	Frédéric Dopagne (compensates Pieter-Augustijn)	
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○ LESPO1114	Political Science	Jehan Bottin (compensates Pierre Baudewyns) Min Reuchamps	FR [q1 or q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐
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○ History (5 credits)

○ LEURO1201	Basis of the European integration: history, geography, culture, structures	Vincent Dujardin	FR [q1] [37.5h] [5 Credits] 🌐
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○ Specific issues

If the complementary lectures, that are compulsory, do not reach 60 credits, student will complete his/her programme by the lectures to choose listed below and/or the lectures LEUSL2040 or LEUSL2050.

○ LEURO1301	Europe and the world: current challenges	Vincent Laborderie (compensates Anne-Sophie Gijis)	FR [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐
○ LEURO1304	Diversity of cultures and languages in Europe	Filippo Pietrogrande Laurent Rasier (compensates Philippe Hiligsmann)	FR [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐
○ LPOLS1323	European Institutions and Policies	Tanguy de Wilde d'Estmael Vincent Laborderie (compensates Tanguy de Wilde d'Estmael)	FR [q1] [40h] [5 Credits] 🌐
○ LEURO1202	Political ideas and values in Europe	Nicolas Arens	FR [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐
⊗ LCOPS1311	Social Philosophy	Mark Hunyadi	FR [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐
⊗ LPOLS1319	Introduction to geopolitics	Tanguy de Wilde d'Estmael	FR [q1] [30h+15h] [5 Credits] 🌐
⊗ LPOLS1320	Introduction of the international relations	Michel Liegeois	FR [q2] [30h+15h] [5 Credits] 🌐

Course prerequisites

The **table** below lists the activities (course units, or CUs) for which there are one or more prerequisites within the programme, i.e. the programme CU for which the learning outcomes must be certified and the corresponding credits awarded by the jury before registering for that CU.

These activities are also identified **in the detailed programme**: their title is followed by a yellow square.

Prerequisites and student's annual programme

As the prerequisite is for CU registration purposes only, there are no prerequisites within a programme year. Prerequisites are defined between CUs of different years and therefore influence the order in which the student will be able to register for the programme's CUs.

In addition, when the jury validates a student's individual programme at the beginning of the year, it ensures its coherence, meaning that it may:

- require the student to combine registration in two separate CUs which it considers necessary from a pedagogical point of view.
- transform a prerequisite into a corequisite if the student is in the final year of a degree course.

For more information, please consult the [Academic Regulations and Procedures](#).

Prerequisites list

LEUSL2001 "Mémoire" has prerequisite(s) LEUSL2003

- LEUSL2003 - [Methodology seminar and introduction to master thesis](#)

The programme's courses and learning outcomes

For each UCLouvain training programme, a [reference framework of learning outcomes](#) specifies the skills expected of every graduate on completion of the programme. Course unit descriptions specify targeted learning outcomes, as well as the unit's contribution to reference framework of learning outcomes.

EURO2M - Information

Access Requirements

Master course admission requirements are defined by the French Community of Belgium Decree of 7 November 2013 defining the higher education landscape and the academic organisation of courses.

General and specific admission requirements for this programme must be satisfied at the time of enrolling at the university.

Unless explicitly mentioned, the bachelor's, master's and licentiate degrees listed in this table or on this page are to be understood as those issued by an institution of the French, Flemish or German-speaking Community, or by the Royal Military Academy.

In the event of the divergence between the different linguistic versions of the present conditions, the French version shall prevail.

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Specific access requirements

Language competence

The program is available EITHER solely in English OR in both French and English.

Candidates wishing to take the program solely in English will have to provide the following:

- either evidence of sufficient competence in English (level B2 of [the Common European Framework of Reference](#))
- or evidence that they have taken and successfully completed a B2-level course in English
- or a transcript of university grades showing that they have taken and successfully completed at least 3 courses in English during their previous university studies.

Candidates wishing to follow the program in both languages (French and English) will have to provide the following, for both languages:

- either evidence of a sufficient level in both languages (level B1 of [the Common European Framework of Reference](#))
- or evidence that they have taken and successfully completed a B1-level course in English and/or French
- or a transcript of university grades showing that they have taken and successfully completed at least 3 courses in English and/or 3 courses in French during their previous university studies.

The EURO admission panel is the only body able to recognize and validate the supporting documents provided by the candidate

University Bachelors

Diploma	Special Requirements	Access	Remarks
UCLouvain Bachelors			

the classes already taken:
prerequisites in law, economy
and political sciences (max. 15
credits)

Others Bachelors of the French speaking Community of Belgium

Bachelor in Political Sciences
Bachelor in Sociology and Anthropology
Bachelor in Human and Social Sciences

Direct access

All other Bachelors

[Access based on application](#)

Additional training to be
determined according to
the classes already taken:
prerequisites in law, economy
and political sciences (max. 15
credits)

Bachelors of the Dutch speaking Community of Belgium

Bachelor of Science in de politieke wetenschappen
Bachelor of Science in de sociologie
Bachelor of Science in de politieke en sociale wetenschappen

Direct access

All other Bachelors

[Access based on application](#)

Additional training to be
determined according to
the classes already taken:
prerequisites in law, economy
and political sciences (max. 15
credits)

Foreign Bachelors

Bachelor in Political and Social Sciences

Direct access

All other Bachelors

[Access based on application](#)

Additional training to be
determined according to
the classes already taken:
prerequisites in law, economy
and political sciences (max. 15
credits)

Non university Bachelors

> Find out more about [links](#) to the university

Holders of a 2nd cycle University degree

Diploma



Master [120] in Law

All Masters

Access based on application

Additional training to be determined according to the classes already taken: prerequisites in law, economy and political sciences (max. 15 credits)

 Holders of a non-University 2nd cycle degree

According to the Government Decree, your initial diploma does not grant you automatic access to this Masters. Nevertheless, you may be able to access the course by taking certain additional classes, over and above your standard programme. Please contact the faculty organising the Masters for information as to the procedure to follow. Any questions on admission to EURO2M should be addressed to Beata Dunaj, tel: 010 478489, beata.dunaj@uclouvain.be

Access based on validation of professional experience

> It is possible, under certain conditions, to use one's personal and professional experience to enter a university course without having the required qualifications. However, validation of prior experience does not automatically apply to all courses. Find out more about [Validation of priori experience](#).

Adults with professional experience may be able to join the programme through an individualised admission procedure involving the validation of prior experience.

Access based on application

Access based on application : access may be granted either directly or on the condition of completing additional courses of a maximum of 60 ECTS credits, or refused.

Language competence

The program is available either solely in English either in both French and English.

Candidates wishing to take the program solely in English will have to provide the following:

- either evidence of sufficient competence in English (level B2 of [the Common European Framework of Reference](#))
- or evidence that they have taken and successfully completed a B2-level course in English
- or a transcript of university grades showing that they have taken and successfully completed at least 3 courses in English during their previous university studies.

Candidates wishing to follow the program in both languages (French and English) will have to provide the following, for both languages:

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- or evidence that they have taken and successfully completed a B1-level course in English and/or French
- or a transcript of university grades showing that they have taken and successfully completed at least 3 courses in English and/or 3 courses in French during their previous university studies.

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Admission and Enrolment Procedures for general registration

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