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At Bruxelles Saint-Louis - 120 credits - 2 years - Day schedule - In English

Dissertation/Graduation Project : **YES** - Internship : **NO**

Activities in English: **YES** - Activities in other languages : **NO**

Activities on other sites : **YES**

Main study domain : **Sciences politiques et sociales**

Organized by: **Faculty of Economic, Social and Political Sciences and Communication (ESPO)**

Programme acronym: **EUCB2M** - Francophone Certification Framework: 7

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EUCB2M - Introduction

Introduction

Introduction

This master programme aims to provide students with an in-depth understanding of the current challenges that European democracies must face (such as climate change, economic inequalities or migration) as well as with insights from multiple disciplines addressing the formal and informal aspects of decision-making such as political science, law, history, and economics.

This master is a joint programme, organized within the [European University Alliance Circle U.](#)

For this programme, the students :

- **Need to apply for admission** to the joint programme;
- **Are selected and admitted** to the joint programme according to their academic results, prerequisite requirements, and demonstrated motivation;
- **Must hold an academic degree** of bachelor in Political or Social Sciences;
- **Must have a working knowledge of English (level C1)** of the Common European Framework of Reference);
- **Must follow mobility rules** as this Master in EU Studies is organised by Université catholique de Louvain (Bruxelles - Belgium), Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin (Germany) and Università di Pisa (Italy),

This programme consists of 120 credits. Its successful completion leads to the issuance of two or three diplomas from each of the partner universities where they studied.

The degrees awarded are entitled as following :

- UCLouvain: « Master en études européennes, à finalité spécialisée : EU Public Governance »
- HU Berlin: « Global and European Transformations (GET MA) »
- Unipi: « Laurea Magistrale in Unione Europea, processi globali e sostenibilità dello sviluppo »

Your profile

You

- Have an interest in European affairs, the functioning of the EU and its place in the world.
- Want to develop cutting-edge expertise and critical thinking on EU policies and governance.
- Want to learn from leading academics and high-level practitioners from EU institutions and the 'EU bubble'.
- Want to acquire practical skills that will help you make a difference when applying for EU-related jobs.

Your future job

Graduates from this Master will be ready to work in public or private organisations and bodies connected to European affairs. They will hold positions as advisers, representatives, or managers in:

- International, European, national, regional or local administration and institutions.
- NGOs and European associations, as well as professional associations.
- Consultancy offices and lobbying firms.

Your programme

All students spend the first semester of the first year of the master (Q1) in UCLouvain.

In their mobility schemes, students should spend a teaching semester in at least two different partners institutions. It is also possible to spend a teaching semester in each of the three partners institutions.

Students can also spend one semester abroad in one of the other Circle U institutions (non-partner institutions), provided that specific agreements have been reached.

The last semester (Q4) is dedicated to writing the master thesis. To write their master thesis, students must choose one of the different partner institutions where they have already spent at least one semester during the master program.

EUCB2M - Teaching profile

Learning outcomes

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

Students enrolled on the Master [120] in European Public Governance (Circle U.) will become experts in EU affairs, combining a in-depth knowledge of the EU's governance model, an ability to critically analyse key EU policies and the practical know-how to be quickly operational in EU-related jobs.

Upon completion of the Master in European Public Governance, graduates will be able to:

- Describe and explain the EU's economic, political, legal and historical foundations and governing principles
- Develop a critical and expert opinion on key challenges facing the EU (climate change, artificial intelligence, migration, threats to the rule of law, etc.)
- Understand, analyse and evaluate major EU policies (trade, environment, defence and security, migration, etc.)
- Write policy papers and develop advocacy/lobbying strategies
- Apply for and manage EU funding

Programme structure

All students spend the first semester of the first year of the master in UCLouvain (30 ECTS).

In their mobility schemes, students should spend a teaching semester in at least two different partners universities. Therefore they will spend their second semester (30 ECTS) and their third semester (30 ECTS) in one of the partners universities chosen between UCLouvain, Unipi and HU Berlin. Students can also spend one semester abroad at one of the other Circle U. Universities (non-partner institutions), provided that specific agreements within the Circle U. alliance have been reached, or through Erasmus exchange opportunities among Circle U. universities.

The last semester is dedicated to writing the master thesis. To write their master thesis, students must choose one of the different partner universities where they have already spent at least one semester during the master programme.

EUCB2M Programme

Detailed programme by subject

CORE COURSES [90.0]

- Mandatory
- ✘ Optional
- △ Not offered in 2026-2027
- Not offered in 2026-2027 but offered the following year
- ⊕ Offered in 2026-2027 but not the following year
- △ ⊕ Not offered in 2026-2027 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...)

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o For all the students: at UCLouvain (30 credits)

o BEUA1001	Political History of the EU	Samuel Defacqz	EN [q1] [30h] [5 Credits]	X	
o BEUA1002	Economic History of the EU	Clément Fontan	EN [q1] [30h] [5 Credits]	X	
o BEUA1003	EU Legal System & Political System	Teresa Cabrita Samuel Defacqz	EN [q1] [90h] [15 Credits]	X	
o BEUA1004	EU Advocacy Training	Jérôme Andolfatto Thimotée-Hubert Benjamin Denis Lora Verhecke	EN [q1] [30h] [5 Credits]	X	

o Depending of the mobility scheme (60 credits)

Students spend at least one teaching semester at a university other than UCLouvain

o First year - Second semester :

o At UCLouvain (30 credits)

o BEUA1005	EU Trade policy	Teresa Cabrita Andreas Maurer	EN [q2] [30h] [5 Credits]	X	
o BEUA1006	Digital Economy in the EU	Samuel Defacqz	EN [q2] [30h] [5 Credits]	X	
o BEUA1007	Internal Market & Competition Law	Teresa Cabrita	EN [q2] [30h] [5 Credits]	X	
o BEUA1008	Rule of Law and Fundamental Rights	Teresa Cabrita	EN [q2] [30h] [5 Credits]	X	
o BEUA1009	EU Gender and Non-discrimination Policies	Sophie Jacquot	EN [q2] [30h] [5 Credits]	X	
o BEUA1010	Seminar Designing and Managing EU-funded Projects		EN [q2] [30h] [5 Credits]	X	

o At Università di Pisa (30 credits)

o EUPI2022	International Law and Law of International Spaces		EN [q2] [42h] [9 Credits]	X	
o EUPI2023	Political Thought in the Age of Globalisation		EN [q2] [42h] [6 Credits]	X	
o EUPI2024	EU external action and the challenges of the EU enlargement Institutional Law		EN [q2] [21h] [3 Credits]	X	
o EUPI2028	English as a foreign language		EN [q2] [42h] [6 Credits]	X	

o One optional course to select in (6 credits)

o EUPI2030	Elective course 1: Economics		EN [] [42h] [6 Credits]	X	
o EUPI2031	Elective course 2: Political Science		EN [] [42h] [6 Credits]	X	
o EUPI2032	Elective course 3: Law and International History		EN [] [42h] [6 Credits]	X	

o At Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin (30 credits)

Students will take courses belonging to the following modules and they can specialize further in elective modules. Each module consists of one or two courses. Before the beginning of each teaching period, they will receive more detailed advice regarding the process of choosing courses allocated to the respective modules.

o EHUB2121	Vocational Module		EN [q2] [] [5 Credits]	X	
o EHUB2122	Social Transformations and Economic Change		EN [q2] [] [5 Credits]	X	
o EHUB2123	Foreign Policy		EN [q2] [] [5 Credits]	X	

o One optional course to select in (15 credits)

o EHUB2124	Comparative Government I		EN [q2] [] [15 Credits]	X	
o EHUB2125	Global, European Politics I		EN [q2] [] [15 Credits]	X	
o EHUB2126	Sociological Issues I		EN [q2] [] [15 Credits]	X	

o Second year - First semester :

o At UCLouvain (30 credits)

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○ LEUSL2112	Economic and Monetary Union	Clément Fontan	EN [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐		X
○ BEUA2001	EU Fiscal and Social Policies		EN [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐		X
○ BEUA2002	Climate and Energy Transition Policies		EN [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐		X
○ BEUA2003	Ecosystems and Human Health Policies		EN [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐		X
○ BEUA2004	Defence and Security Policies		EN [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐		X
○ BEUA2005	Migration and Mobility in the EU		EN [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐		X
✂ At Università di Pisa (30 credits)					
○ EUPI2021	History of Transatlantic Relations and Russia-Europe Relations		EN [q1] [42h] [6 Credits] 🌐		X
○ EUPI2025	Citizenship Studies		EN [q1] [42h] [6 Credits] 🌐		X
○ EUPI2026	European sociological theory		EN [q1] [42h] [6 Credits] 🌐		X
○ EUPI2029	Second foreign language		EN [q1] [42h] [6 Credits] 🌐		X
○ One optional course to select in (6 credits)					
✂ EUPI2030	Elective course 1: Economics		EN [] [42h] [6 Credits] 🌐		X
✂ EUPI2031	Elective course 2: Political Science		EN [] [42h] [6 Credits] 🌐		X
✂ EUPI2032	Elective course 3: Law and International History		EN [] [42h] [6 Credits] 🌐		X
✂ At Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin (35 credits)					
○ EHUB2021	Democracies in Comparison		EN [q1] [] [5 Credits] 🌐		X
○ EHUB2022	Germany in Change		EN [q1] [] [5 Credits] 🌐		X
○ EHUB2023	The EU: Its Borders and Neighbours		EN [q1] [] [10 Credits] 🌐		X
○ One optional course to select in (15 credits)					
✂ EHUB2224	Comparative Government II		EN [q1] [] [15 Credits] 🌐		X
✂ EHUB2225	Global, European Politics II		EN [q1] [] [15 Credits] 🌐		X
✂ EHUB2226	Sociological Issues II		EN [q1] [] [15 Credits] 🌐		X

PROFESSIONAL FOCUS [30.0]

The last semester (Q4) is dedicated to writing the master thesis.

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

Year

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o Content:

● BEUA2006	Training and master's thesis (Training supervision & Master's thesis)	Teresa Cabrita Samuel Defacqz	EN [q2] [30h] [30 Credits] 🌐	1	2	x
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Course prerequisites

There are no prerequisites between course units (CUs) for this programme, i.e. the programme activity (course unit, CU) whose learning outcomes are to be certified and the corresponding credits awarded by the jury before registration in another CU.

The programme's courses and learning outcomes

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EUCB2M - 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

This Master's programme is accessible by application only (see below). Students wishing to enrol in this programme — which is distinct from the [Master's in EU Studies](#) and the [Master en Etudes européennes](#) also offered by UCLouvain — must meet specific admission requirements.

Language skills

Access to the master's programme requires a proficiency in English (C1 or higher) attested either through a Language Exam Test (TOEFL iBT with a minimum score of 95, IELTS with a minimum score of 7.0, or a Cambridge Certificate of level C1, issued within the last 5 years) or through other proxies.

These proxies may include, but are not limited to:

- Completion of three English-taught courses (excluding language courses) during the candidate's University bachelor's degree (with validated ECTS),
- Professional experience of at least three months involving written tasks in English, related to law or social science topics,
- Participation in English-speaking extracurricular activities relevant to the master's program, such as preparing for and participating in European Parliament simulations.

University Bachelors

Diploma	Special Requirements	Access	Remarks
UCLouvain Bachelors			
UCLouvain Bachelor in Law, Economics, Political Science, Sociology and Anthropology, and Human and Social Sciences have access to this Master.		Access based on application	
Holders of other university degrees from UCLouvain can be accepted by the selection committee based on an evaluation of their professional and academic curriculum.		Access based on application	
Others Bachelors of the French speaking Community of Belgium			
Holders of Bachelor in Law, Economics, Political Science, Sociology and Anthropology, and Human and Social Sciences of the French speaking Community of Belgium have access to this Master.		Access based on application	
Holders of other university degrees of the French speaking Community of Belgium can be accepted by the selection committee based on an evaluation of their professional and academic curriculum.		Access based on application	

Bachelors of the Dutch speaking Community of Belgium

Bachelor in Law, Economics, Political Science, Sociology and Anthropology, and Human and Social Sciences of the Dutch speaking Community of Belgium have access to this Master.

[Access based on application](#)

Holders of other university degrees of the Dutch speaking Community of Belgium can be accepted by the selection committee based on an evaluation of their professional and academic curriculum.

[Access based on application](#)

Foreign Bachelors

Holders of university degrees from abroad can be accepted by the selection committee based on an evaluation of their professional and academic curriculum.

[Access based on application](#)

Non university Bachelors

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

According to the Government Decree, your initial diploma does not grant you automatic access to this Masters. For additional information, please contact epg-circlegu@uclouvain.be

 Holders of a 2nd cycle University degree

Diploma	Special Requirements	Access	Remarks
"Licenciés"			
According to the Government Decree, your initial diploma does not grant you automatic access to this Masters. For additional information, please contact epg-circlegu@uclouvain.be		-	
Masters			
According to the Government Decree, your initial diploma does not grant you automatic access to this Masters. For additional information, please contact epg-circlegu@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](#).

Access to the Master may also be granted through [the 'validation of prior experience' procedure](#).

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.

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An application-based admission process means that access to the master programme may be granted or refused by the select panel based on an assessment of the candidate's professional and academic curriculum, including:

- the candidate's academic background (results obtained in previous studies, and the relevance of previous studies and their suitability in preparing the candidate for the master's programme in European Studies ;
- the candidate's motivation and career project ;
- the candidate's profile (including language skills and extracurricular experiences).

For additional information, please contact epg-circlegu@uclouvain.be

Admission and Enrolment Procedures for general registration

Information about the process and the calendar for students' application and enrolment : epg-circlegu@uclouvain.be

Students will need to comply with all the deadlines set by the UCLouvain and provide all the application forms/documents required by the different institutions (Unipi and/or HU Berlin) in due time.

Evaluation

The evaluation methods comply with the [Academic regulations and procedures](#). More detailed explanation of the modalities specific to each learning unit are available on their description sheets under the heading "Learning outcomes evaluation method".

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Mobility and/or Internationalisation outlook

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Students will receive a diploma from each of the partner universities where they spent a teaching semester and complete their learning activities.

Contacts

Contact epg-circleu@uclouvain.be

Academic coordinator

- For UCLouvain, the academic coordinator is [Prof. Clément Fontan](#).
- For HU Berlin, the academic coordinator is Dr. Claudia Matthes.
- For the University of Pisa, the academic coordinator is Prof. Alessandro Balestrino.

Administrative coordinator for UCLouvain : *to be allocated*

Curriculum Management

Entity	
Structure entity	SSH/ESPO/EURO
Denomination	(EURO)
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Sector	Human Sciences (SSH)
Acronym	EURO
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