UvA Masterweek
European Studies

East European Studies
European Policy
Identity and Integration

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One programme – three tracks

Opportunity to focus and study in depth in one of the tracks:

- **European Policy** focuses on Europe as a political entity and the creation of European policy.

- **Identity and Integration** deals with questions concerning European cultural diversity and identity.

- **East European Studies** offers a unique regional specialization.

At the same time, there is a lot of exchange between the tracks, you can chose from a broad array of electives between the tracks!
9 November – East European Studies

9 November 1989: Breach in Wall (left above)
Summer 1989: Cutting the Iron Curtain in Hungary (‘re-enactment’)

End of Cold War - Limits of European Integration
Border between Poland and Belarus,
November 2021 (below)
East European Studies offers:

- **Eastern Europe**: fascinating, ambiguous, and of **utmost importance to Europe** as a whole: Hence EES an **interdisciplinary** programme with an **area focus**.

- Explore **Europe’s Eastern neighbourhood** and **Eurasia**, including the Balkans, the Caucasus and Central Asia, with our **experienced international faculty**.

- **Core courses** on recent history & contemporary politics and ideologies. **Electives** on **Culture and Subjectivity, Conflicting Memories**, and **Russia’s role in Contemporary World**. The programme cooperates with the **Dutch Institute in St Petersburg** and includes a **field trip** to an East European Capital.

- Topics cover **ethnic and religious tensions**, **Democratic upheavals** against authoritarian rule. **Memory wars** about World War II and the Communist Past. Russian **Cold War rhetoric** and military adventures in Ukraine and Syria. Troll armies, hackers, but also **social media countercultures**...
Our Programme: understanding and analysing the ways in which the European Union is governed and how EU policy is addressing the challenges contemporary Europe is facing.
European Policy offers:

1. European Policy offers comprehensive knowledge of **policy fields** and **policy making processes**.

2. A **unique combination** of political science, law, history, anthropology, philosophy and geography: A **multidisciplinary** and **international** learning environment in a vibrant and active city;

3. European Policy combines **theoretical and practical skills** in order to let you become a European policy expert in national, international and European affairs.

4. Elective packages on either **External Relations** or **Legal and Economic Policies**

5. Opportunity to join **Intensive policy lab** in the second semester with a weeklong **policy field trip** elsewhere in the EU or Europe.

6. Optional extension with **internship programme** in order to let you network on the labor market (extends program to 80 ECTS distributed over three semesters).
9 November - Identity and Integration

Typical themes:

- Ideas & Images of East/West Europe
- Memories and commemorations of 1989
- Cultures of nationalism across Europe

Use of cultural sources:
film, literature, life stories, music, exhibitions, cultural policies, practices etc.
Identity and Integration offers:

1. A cultural historical perspective on contemporary issues in Europe

2. Specialized knowledge of:
   - ideas of Europe and European identity,
   - national thought, articulations of national identities
   - the use of culture in community-building policies and practice in EU

3. A comparative and transnational approach to analyze related issues

4. Opportunities to engage with experts from outside the academic world

5. A seminar and (sponsored) study trip to one of Europe’s Cultural Capitals
## Programme MA European Studies

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- **Two Core Courses + Skills Workshop (18 EC)**
  - EES: *Alternative Modernities + Post-Socialist Puzzles + Thesis Workshop*
  - I&I: *Cultures of Nationalism + Uniting Europe + Skills Workshop*
  - EP: *Cultures of Governance + Skills seminar*

- **Two Programme Electives (12 EC)**
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- **MA Thesis (18 EC)**

See course catalogue!
Programme MA European Policy

Differences: Elective packages + Internship (20 EC)

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Application and Admissions

Check Entry Requirements:
- English Language Requirements: Dutch BA degree or equivalent
- Subject requirements: European Studies or related degree
  - EES: min. 30 EC (East) European Culture & History

Application Deadline:
- Enrolment from now on!
- Non-EU/EEA Nationals: 1 March 2022
- Dutch or EU/EEA Nationals*: 15 May 2022
  * EU/EEA nationals who wish to apply for UvA housing must submit their application by 1 March 2020.

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Career prospects

Where they live
- 4,424 | Netherlands
- 2,760 | Amsterdam Area, Netherlands
- 456 | The Hague Area, Netherlands
- 339 | Belgium
- 288 | Utrecht Area, Netherlands
- 275 | Germany
- 268 | United Kingdom
- 264 | Brussels Area, Belgium
- 173 | Rotterdam Area, Netherlands
- 173 | United States
- 135 | London, United Kingdom
- 132 | France
- 107 | Italy
- 101 | Almere stad Area, Netherlands
- 99 | Spain

Where they work
- 125 | University of Amsterdam
- 72 | European Commission
- 60 | City of Amsterdam
- 46 | ABN AMRO Bank N.V.
- 45 | Ministerie van Buitenlandse Zaken
- 43 | Deloitte
- 36 | De Brauw Blackstone Westbroek
- 35 | Ministerie van Defensie
- 35 | Rabobank
- 34 | EY
- 32 | Ministerie van Justitie en Veiligheid
- 31 | Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam (VU Amsterdam)
- 30 | Utrecht University
- 30 | European Parliament
- 16 | Stibbe

What they do
- 1,322 | Legal
- 968 | Business Development
- 787 | Community and Social Services
- 698 | Education
- 613 | Media and Communication
- 571 | Operations
- 372 | Finance
- 320 | Research
- 315 | Program and Project Management
- 305 | Information Technology
- 299 | Sales
- 288 | Administrative
- 232 | Marketing
- 231 | Consulting
- 211 | Human Resources
Meet our students:

Manon Boomsma
Sophie Hoogenboom
Rick van den Brink
Questions and Answers

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