MEconSc European Public Affairs & Law

(One Year Full Time or Two Years Part Time)



Introduction

Whether working in the private, public or voluntary sectors, the ability to explain Europe's past, to analyse its present and to advise on its future is of crucial importance. An interdisciplinary course delivered by UCD School of Politics and International Relations and UCD School of Law, the MEconSc in European Public Affairs and Law is designed to equip graduates with a comprehensive knowledge of European economic integration and Europe's role in the world.

The course takes a genuinely interdisciplinary approach to the study of Europe and the European Union, enabling you to analyse European issues from multiple perspectives. You will be qualified for a career in a variety of spheres including the institutions of the EU and other international bodies, national government structures, think-tanks and other policy-oriented organisations.

Programme Highlight

Interdisciplinary between UCD's school of law and politics, with a focus on political economy

Programme Content and Structure

90 creditsTaught Masters



60 creditsTaught Module



30 credits Dissertation

or

30 credits Internship

Core Modules:

- Law and Governance of the EU
- The Global Political Economy of Europe
- Politics of European Governance

Option Modules:

MEconSc and Law students choose three optional modules from the following partial list:

- Public Administration & Policy
- Environmental Law and Policy
- Political Theory and the EU
- Comparative Public Policy
- Comparative European Politics
- EU Foreign, Security, and Defence Policy
- Politics of Human Rights
- Governing the Global Economy
- Political Violence

Please see www.ucd.ie/graduateadmissions for a full list of modules.

Why study at UCD?



Graduate Education

12,000 graduate students; 17% graduate research students; structured PhDs



Graduate Employability

Ranked no. 1 in Ireland in QS Graduate Employability ranking



Global Careers

Dedicated careers support; 2 year stayback visa to work in Ireland



Global Community

8,500 international students and 300,000 alumni network across 165 countries



Global Profile

UCD is ranked in the top 1% of higher education institutions worldwide



Welcoming Campus

Modern parkland campus with 24 hr security. Wide range of facilities, clubs, societies and supports



Career Opportunities

Graduates now work in organisations including United Nations, IMF, European Commission, and Asia Development Bank in roles including government social researcher, diplomatic advisor, public affairs consultant and public relations officer.

Applicant Profile

- This programme is intended for applicants with an upper second class honours or international equivalent primary degree in a relevant subject such as political science, international relations, social science, sociology, history, geography, economics, global studies, public policy, development studies, EU studies, law.
- Your application will be considered on its individual merits and relevant professional experience will also be taken into account.
- Applicants whose first language is not English must also demonstrate English language proficiency of IELTS 6.5 (no band less than 6.0 in each element), or equivalent.

Fees and Scholarships

Tuition fee information is available on www.ucd.ie/fees. Please note that UCD offers a number of graduate scholarships for full-time, self-funding international students, holding an offer of a place on a UCD masters programme. Please see www.ucd.ie/global/scholarships for further information.

SPIRe also offers EU fee scholarships to graduate students. Please see www.ucd.ie/spire/study/prospectivemastersstudents/spiremastersgraduatescholarship for further information.

Related Masters

- MSc International Political Economy
- MA Philosophy & Public Affairs
- Master of Public Policy

Graduate Profile



Ivana Jagar, Croatia Graduate

This masters was a great choice primarily due to its multidisciplinary design of modules, which offered an in-depth and integrated understanding of contemporary issues of the EU. The programme provided an overview of the European economic integration on which the analytical approach to the EU politics and policies was further developed while, at the same time, the implications of these processes on EU law were explored.

In my experience the underlying value of this course is in the dynamic academic environment that encourages students to use critical thinking – helping them to acquire knowledge and develop skills that can be applied in both a professional career and further academic studies.