

# M.A. in Political Science

at the Faculty of Management, Economics and Social Sciences

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# What to expect in this presentation?

1. Why Political Science (at UoC)?
2. Information on the Master's programme in Political Science
3. Admission requirements

# Why Political Science (at UoC)?

- Understand Political Science as a whole
  - Our Master's programme makes you an general expert in Political Science
  - Programme allows students to choose following fields:
    - Comparative Analysis of Political Institutions
    - Comparative Analysis of Political Economies
    - Political Theory and the History of Ideas
    - International Relations
    - European Politics
- > no compulsory (except colloquium), freedom and responsibility of choice



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# Why Political Science (at UoC)?

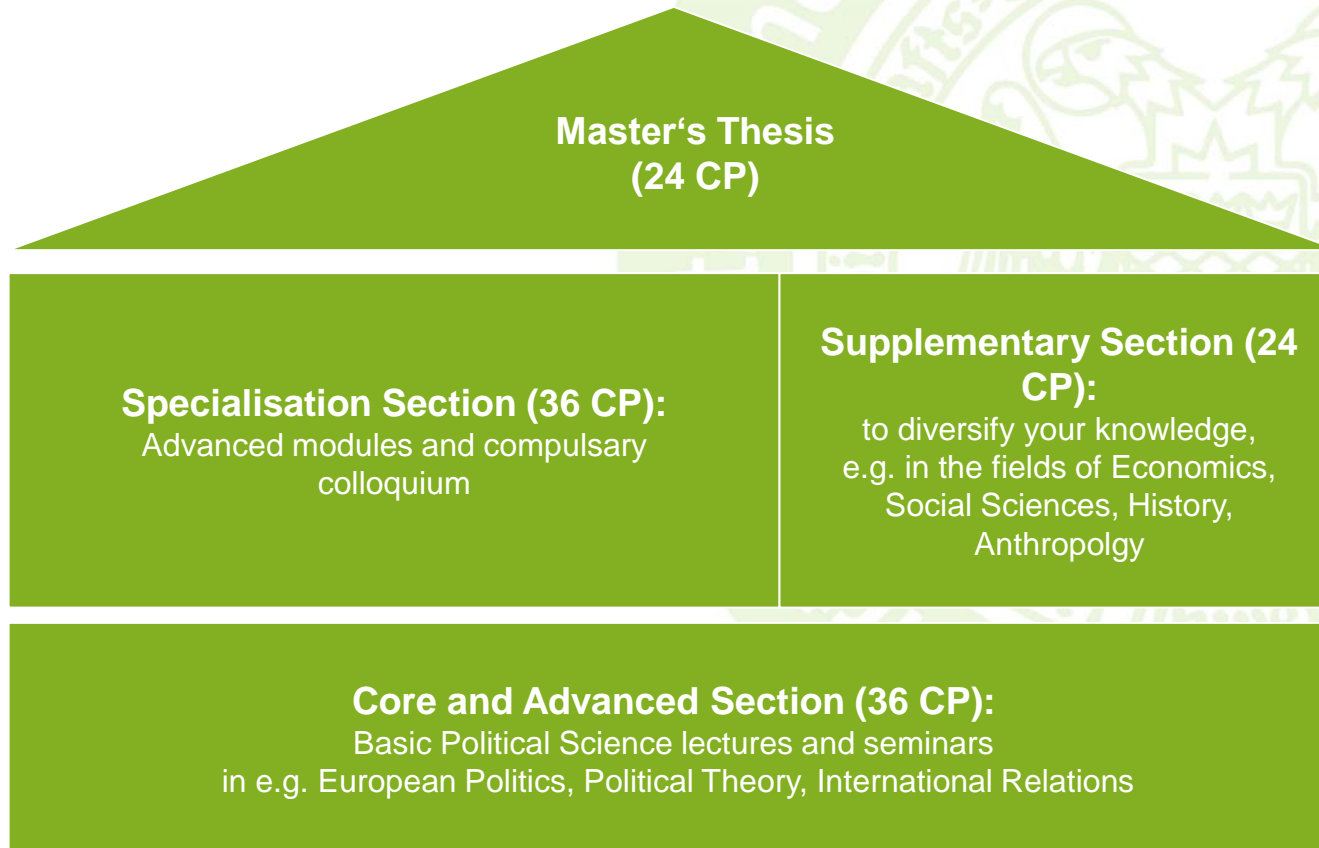
- Opportunity to choose module in Economics and a variety of modules from the Philosophy Faculty within the Supplementary Section:
  - Anthropology
  - Languages and Cultures of the Islamic World
  - Media Studies
  - History
- Opportunity to transfer credits achieved abroad within the Supplementary Section (12 or the full 24 ECTS in this category)



# Why Political Science (at UoC)?

- Internationality and networking
- Offers opportunity to future PhD-studies
- Qualifies for (inter)national thematically wide spread occupations for political scientists
- Possible areas of employment, e.g.:
  - Administration and state institutions, political parties, political foundations and associations
  - International and non-government organizations
  - Public law and private media enterprises

# M.A. Political Science: Structure



# Example: Core and Advanced Section

| Group  | Module                                     | ECTS | CC/EC* | Required ECTS |    |
|--|--|------|--------|---------------|----|
| Core and advanced group<br>Political Science | Core module Political Science I (Master)   | 6    | EC     | 18            | 36 |
|  | Core module Political Science II (Master)  | 6    | EC     |               |    |
|  | Core module Political Science III (Master) | 6    | EC     |               |    |
|  | Core module Political Science IV (Master)  | 6    | EC     |               |    |
|  | Core module Political Science V (Master)   | 6    | EC     |               |    |
|  | Special Aspects of Social Sciences         | 6    | EC     |               |    |
|  | Core module Seminar Political Science I    | 9    | EC     | 18            |    |
|  | Core module Seminar Political Science II   | 9    | EC     |               |    |
|  | Core module Seminar Political Science III  | 9    | EC     |               |    |
|  | Core module Seminar Political Science IV   | 9    | EC     |               |    |
|  | Core module Seminar Political Science V    | 9    | EC     |               |    |

Core module (Seminar) Political Science I: Comparative Analysis of Political Institutions

Core module (Seminar) Political Science II: Comparative Analysis of Political Economies

Core module (Seminar) Political Science III: Political Theory and the History of Ideas

Core module (Seminar) Political Science IV: International Relations

Core module (Seminar) Political Science V: European Politics

# Programme timeline

October-March

April-September

October-March

April-September

## M.A. in Political Science

semester 1

semester 2

semester 3

semester 4

semester 3 or 4  
abroad  
(optional)

- Module catalogue includes a sample study plan:  
<https://www.wiso.uni-koeln.de/en/studies/downloads/download-master/downloads-master-po15/>



# Admission requirements

- Bachelor's degree (finished or at least earned 80% of the required degree CP)
- **Overall grade** of at least **2.7** (German grade)
- At least **30 CP** in the **field of Political Science**
- At least **12 further CP** in **Political Science** and/or **Methodology** and/or **Empirical Social Research**

## Language requirements

- **English level B2**, e.g. TOEFL 87 ibt
- **DMP**: English level C1, e.g. TOEFL 100 ibt

Selection Criteria: Motivation letter (German or English)

# Selection criteria

Bachelor grade  
(1,0 - 2,7 German  
grade system)

Last year's  
score: 2,5

- The procedure is based on the grade earned in the Bachelor's degree
- If the number of applicants meeting the admission criteria exceeds the number of places available for this course of study, a selection procedure is initiated for the purpose of ranking these applicants
- Admission results of the last admission procedures can be found here:  
<https://www.wiso.uni-koeln.de/en/studies/degree-course-offer/master/masterbewerbung/master-verfahrensergebnisse/>

# Application process Political Science

April –  
15th June

- Apply online: [www.wiso.uni-koeln.de/en/studies/degree-course-offer/master/masterbewerbung/](http://www.wiso.uni-koeln.de/en/studies/degree-course-offer/master/masterbewerbung/)
- Applicants with a degree acquired abroad must also apply postal: [uni-assist.de/online/uni-koeln](http://uni-assist.de/online/uni-koeln)

End of July -  
August

- First admission process: selected applicants will receive their admission letters.
- Enrolment in Cologne

# Political Science as Double Master's programme

- DMP „European Studies“
- Cooperation with **Maastricht University** in the Netherlands
- Focuses on EU, its policies and institutions
- Prepares students for high-level positions in the private or public sector which require international experience combined with a profound knowledge of the EU
- One year abroad, one year at the UoC
- **Two Master's degrees**

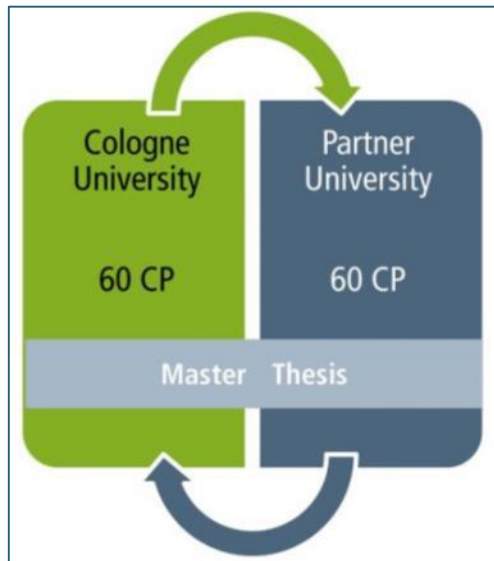


# Political Science as Double Master's programme

- Two year's integrated programme:
- One year at the University of Cologne – one year at the partner university



**Graduate with two degrees from both universities**



- ✓ Set a special focus in your study
- ✓ Get to know another study culture and meet people from all over the world
- ✓ Gain international expertise and get access to an additional working market



# Political Science as Double Master's programme

## Entry Requirements

- ✓ Very good Bachelor's degree
- ✓ English at level C1
- ✓ Intercultural and social skills as well as relevant practical experience desirable

## Application deadline

- ✓ Deadline at the University of Cologne: 15 May

# Programme timeline DMP

September-January

February-July

October-March

April-September

semester 1

semester 2

semester 3

semester 4



| First year  | Second year   |
|---|---|
| <p><b>Research Master<br/>in European Studies</b><br/>(60 ECTS)</p> | <p><b>Master of Arts<br/>in Political Science</b><br/>(60 ECTS)</p> |
| <p><u>Master's thesis</u></p>                                       |   |
| <p>Maastricht</p>   | <p>Cologne</p>  |

# Application process Political Science as DMP

The online application for the Double Master's Programme in European Studies takes place both through Maastricht University and the University of Cologne.

## At the University of Cologne:

- For applicants with a German bachelor's degree or a bachelor's degree from Maastricht University: 15 May 2017
- For applicants who have not obtained their bachelor's degree in Germany or at Maastricht University: 1 May 2017

-> Please apply online

## At Maastricht University:

- For EU applicants: 1 June 2017
- For non-EU applicants: 1 May 2017

For more details on the application deadlines at Maastricht University, please visit [Maastricht University's website](#).





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- They are at their disposal from **Monday to Thursday from 10 am to 12 pm.** The **telephone consultation via 0221-470-8818** will be extended by one hour from **12am to 2pm.** The personal afternoon consultation will be canceled during this period.
- The WiSo Student Service also kindly points out that you can always send them E-Mails. Thank you for understanding.

# We would like to welcome you as a student of our Faculty for the fall intake 2017/18!



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