



UNIVERSITY OF AMSTERDAM



Master's in European Studies

Identity and Integration

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'Our students particularly appreciate the study trip to one of the European Cultural Capitals: Matera in 2019, in the following years Rijeka and Novi Sad. This provides the unique opportunity to meet policy makers, artists and city administrators, and to study how culture in European cities intersects with issues of identity, social cohesion, sustainability and the economy.'

Culture is at the heart of Europe's past and present challenges. Brexit, populism, migration and multiculturalism cannot be properly understood without taking into account the pivotal role of culture and history. The Master's in Identity and Integration studies transformations in Europe and the EU in the fields of history, arts and culture, media and politics. Its key theme is the intersection between culture and politics. You will learn to take a comparative and transnational approach in analysing issues of identity and cultural diversity. The knowledge and expertise you acquire is highly relevant to Europe's policy and business environment, as well as to its culture and heritage sectors. The programme is interdisciplinary and taught by cultural historians and literary scholars, specialising in national and European identities. It will offer you opportunities to meet and engage with professionals from across Europe who show how concepts and ideas function in practice.

Career prospects

Graduates have in-depth knowledge and the ability to analyse contemporary issues in Europe from a cultural historical and transnational perspective. They are trained to convey ideas across national, disciplinary and policy boundaries, as:

- Policy advisors for European, national and international institutions dealing with cultural policies, heritage, memory, and education;
- European and international researchers within the academic world, the media, NGOs and think tanks with regard to issues of identities and cultural diversity;
- Consultants in organisations and businesses occupied with intercultural communication and cooperation.

Spotlight on a course

European Capitals of Culture (6 ECTS)

In this Skills Seminar you will investigate the whole process by which European cities compete for the title of Cultural Capital. How do they represent themselves? How do they reframe their local cultural heritage and political antagonisms in the larger framework of EU identity politics? You are asked to organise both a symposium with relevant speakers and a study trip. Finally, you carry out your own individual research project, resulting in a journalistic reportage, based on your research before and during the study trip.



Key data

Degree
Master of Arts
in European Studies

Duration
1 year / 60 ECTS

Mode
Full-time

Start
1 September

Language of instruction
English

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Entry requirements

This programme is open to students with a university Bachelor's diploma in:

- European Studies
- History
- Modern European Languages
- Humanities* or Social Sciences*

* provided you have demonstrable knowledge of European history or European culture. This requirement is met with the UvA minor programmes European Literature and Culture or European History, or with at least 30 ECTS in European History or European Culture. Please check:

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Application and admission