



UNIVERSITY OF AMSTERDAM

Research Master's in Media Studies

Media Studies (Research)

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'Students can specialise in Film, Television, New Media, Archival and Information Studies, or develop a customised programme. They will work with leading scholars, helping to redefine the rapidly evolving discipline of Media Studies.'

The two-year Research Master's in Media Studies offers an interdisciplinary, humanities-oriented approach to media. It considers media as cultural discourses and practices, technological infrastructures, as well as powerful political-economic actors. With roots in philosophy, history, and literary studies, as well as science and technology studies, sociology, and political science, this discipline has developed pertinent theoretical approaches to the study of media in contemporary culture. The programme will teach you to engage with crucial theoretical concepts and topical issues, and to develop your own research practices culminating in the Master's thesis.

You are encouraged to profit from Amsterdam's pioneering art and media scene, with its many festivals, exhibitions and installations, as well as conferences, lectures, and workshops.

Career prospects

Graduates typically find employment in public sectors related to their field, such as government agencies, advisory boards, education, media and cultural institutions, as well as in PhD programmes in disciplines related to Media. The continuous demand for expertise in new media and digital culture, audio-visual presentation and representation, information storage and retrieval, and contemporary cross-media culture, will provide you with a wide range of exciting career opportunities.



Spotlight on a course

Core course **Media Theory (12 ECTS)**

To develop theoretical understandings of media and culture, this course discusses central texts in the study of media, which engage with cultural theory, philosophy, art history, sociology, among others. The course moves between different media, emphasising a cross-media perspective on cultural critique, the spectacle, visuality, the public, the private and governmentality. It looks at historically-specific theorisations of particular media, as well as their cross-medial transformations.



Key data

Degree
Research Master's in
Media Studies

Duration
2 years

Mode
Full-time

Credits
120 ECTS

Start
1 September

**Language of
instruction**
English

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Entry requirements

The Research Master's programme in Media Studies is open for application to students with a university Bachelor's degree in the humanities or social sciences with a minimum of 30 ECTS taken in the field of media, film, television or communication studies or digital culture.

For more information, please check:

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> **Application and admission**