



COMPARATIVE POLITICS OF EURASIA



MASTER'S PROGRAMME

2020

ADMISSIONS CRITERIA

- Application Portfolio
- English (Full Language Assessment)

AVAILABLE PLACES

State-funded places: 15

Self-funded places: 5

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QUICK FACTS

- **Full-time**
- **2 years**
- **120 ECTS**
- **English-taught**
- **State-accredited master's degree**
- **European Credit Transfer**

OVERVIEW

The Master's in Comparative Politics of Eurasia at HSE — St. Petersburg is a response to the growing strategic importance of the wider Eurasian region, including the former Soviet Union and the countries of East Asia, as well as the associated need for both national and international expertise in the comparative politics of this vital region. The programme provides for discipline-based professional training in comparative politics complemented with an advanced, specialist understanding of the Eurasian region. The programme curriculum has been developed around a core conceptual training in comparative political science and comprehensive empirical training in contemporary methods of social science research. Alongside this core learning, the programme offers an exciting range of courses that cover politics and society in contemporary Russia, the social and political transformations of Central and East Asia, political economy of post-communist development, and international relations in the region.

CORE COURSES

- Post-Communist Civil Society: Comparative Perspective
- Post-Communist Politics and Society
- Russia in World Politics
- EU-Russia Relations
- Political Economy of Post-Communist Transformation
- Nations and Nationalism in USSR and Russia
- Post-Soviet Central Asia: Politics and Society
- Politics and Society in Central Asia
- Government and Politics in East Asian Countries
- Human Rights in Authoritarian Societies
- Research Methods in PolSci
- Internet in Non-Competitive Politics

ACADEMIC DIRECTOR



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YOUR DAY AT UNIVERSITY

Programme courses are comprised of a balance between lectures and seminars focused on practical training and the discussion of research and scholarship in the field.

HSE — St. Petersburg hosts a number of interdisciplinary research centres, ongoing projects, interdisciplinary seminars and series of guest lectures that offer a stimulating research environment within which to develop the Master's Dissertation.

INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The programme provides all necessary assistance for identifying research and practice-oriented internship placements. Among them are independent research centres, NGOs and civic organisations, international organisations, local governments and federal government structures, and state and private companies. We expect that students' priorities for internship placement will be in St. Petersburg and other locations inside the Russian Federation, though a number of internship options in Finland, Sweden, Norway and China are offered.

INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE

The programme assists students in finding and securing study abroad opportunities within the broad network of HSE partner universities in Europe, the United States and Asia. Among these are University College of London, Beijing Normal University, University of Oslo, and many more.

CAREERS AND FURTHER STUDY

The rigorous conceptual and methodological design of the programme means that it is accessible to strong students from all academic backgrounds and with different levels of professional experience. Through the programme, students will attain subject and disciplinary knowledge, methodological expertise and the professional sophistication to successfully pursue careers in the public or private sector, including in academia, think tanks, risk and business consultancies, political consultancy, the public sector, international organisations, NGOs, the media, and diplomacy.

