



MA Program in European Studies Study Regulations

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Admission requirements

This M.A. program is open to graduates of Israeli universities and colleges recognized by the Council for Higher Education who have completed a B.A. degree in one of the relevant disciplines in the faculties of the Social Sciences, Law, or Humanities (or, through special admission, who have completed a different Bachelor degree), with a grade point average of 80. first-year studies are conducted in the course (non-research) track.

About the program

The European Studies program deals with a wide range of topics related to contemporary Europe and the European Union. The program's significance originates in the importance of Europe and the growing interest in issues related to the EU and its role in the world. The graduate study program combines research and teaching.

The teaching program is affiliated with the three Faculties: Social Sciences, Law, and Humanities. The teaching language is Hebrew (with a few courses in English).

The M.A. program offers the following two study tracks:

M.A. research track (36 credit points)

This track is a requirement for future Ph.D. studies.

Compulsory courses (16 credit points)

- Colloquium A & Colloquium B for European Forum Students (2 credit points) – courses 54677 & 54777
- Methodological course in first year (2 credit points) – course 54699
- Methodological course in the 2nd year (2 credit points)
- Introduction to the European Union (2 credit points) – course 54800
- Israel-EU Relations (2 credit points)
- Introduction to EU law (2 credit points)
- European History, Culture, and Society (2 credit points) – course 54821
- 2 Simulation courses (2 credit points)

Elective-compulsory courses (14 credit points)

- Courses from the list of elective-compulsory courses (10 credit points)
- Seminar paper in one of the compulsory or elective-compulsory seminar courses (4 credit points) in the first year

Elective courses (6 credits)

Courses from the program's course list

The **M.A. Thesis** (35% of the final grade) is written under the supervision of a faculty member of the Faculties of Social Sciences, Law, or Humanities. The thesis is graded by the student's supervisor and an additional reviewer.

M.A. course track (38 credit points)

Compulsory courses (14 credit points)

- Colloquium A & Colloquium B for European Forum Students (2 credit points) – courses 54677 & 54777
- Methodological course in the first year (2 credit points) – course 54699
- Introduction to the European Union (2 credit points) – course 54800
- Israel-EU Relations (2 credit points)
- Introduction to EU law (2 credit points)
- European History, Culture, and Society (2 credit points)
- 2 Simulation courses (2 credit points)

Elective-compulsory courses (12 credit points)

- Courses from the list of elective-compulsory courses (8 credit points)
- Seminar paper in one of the compulsory or elective-compulsory seminar courses (4 credit points) in the first year

Elective courses (12 credits)

- Courses from the program's course list (8 credit points).
- Seminar paper in one of the program's seminar course list (4 credit points)

Transfer to the research track

Students can transfer to the research track at the end of their first year of studies. Conditions for transition to the research track:

- The student completed at least half of the courses required for graduation with an average score of at least 90;
- The student submitted a seminar paper in an elective compulsory course, and it was graded at least 90;
- A senior Hebrew University faculty member officially approved that she/he will supervise the thesis;
- The supervisor approved the thesis topic;
- The student has been registered for an advanced methodological course approved by the supervisor. The methodological course will be selected from the list of courses of other departments in the humanities, social sciences and law faculties, according to the thesis topic or methodology.

Deadline for the transfer is the end of course registration for the fall term in the second year.