
(NMgr) Programme: Master in Area Studies (NP_MAS)

Programme N0312A200024: Master in Area Studies

Academic year 2022/2023

The Master in Area Studies programme (MAS) is a two-year English-language interdisciplinary Master's degree programme that offers expert knowledge and analytical-synthetic skills focused on modern history and current developments of Europe, Eurasia, and North America. The programme provides the students with tools for social science analysis and allows them to build their own thematic and territorial profile according to their individual needs and future career plans. Students enrolled in MAS may choose one of the two specialized tracks: "The US and Global Affairs" and "Transition and Integration in Europe".

MAS graduates will be endowed with internationally recognizable multi-disciplinary training in the study of international affairs. They will be able to analyze individual topics arising within the region of their interest from a multidisciplinary point of view in terms of social sciences (sociology, economics, political science, and international relations) and modern history. Programme graduates will be able to understand current issues in their historical, societal, political, and economic context.

The programme graduates will become highly-skilled employees in the civil service and diplomacy, NGOs and international institutions as well as in private companies and mass-media. They will be well prepared for a variety of academic pursuits and will possess a wide range of knowledge and skills required in various social science fields.

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Master in Area Studies - course structure

<i>Compulsory courses</i>	60 ECTS
<i>Languages</i>	12 ECTS
<i>Elective courses</i>	min. 36 ECTS
<i>Optional courses (out of the list)</i>	max. 12 ECTS
<i>Defence of M.A. Thesis</i>	
Total	120 ECTS

Students opting for one of the specialised tracks need to obtain at least 30 ECTS from the elective courses flagged for the track and submit a master thesis that falls within the scope of the track.

(Optional courses see article 5 para 4 of Consolidated University Code of Study and Examination of Charles University in Prague)

Final state exam

- (JDIP01) Master's thesis defence
- (JSZ393) Academic debate on a selected topic (beyond the thesis focus) with respect to issues delivered in specialized tracks

Compulsory courses (J#0538)

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Code	Course title	Course leader	Semester	Hours per week	Course assessment	ECTS credit points
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JTM044	Academic Writing	Cotte	SS	0/2	Examination	6
JTM045	Qualitative Methods in Social Sciences	Weiss Young	WS	0/2	Course credit	6
JTM046	Quantitative Methods in Social Sciences	Stauber	SS	0/2	Examination	6
JTM047	Area Studies: Theory and Methodology	Kozák Lavengood	WS	0/2	Examination	6
JTM048	Comparative and Conceptual History	Brisku	WS	0/2	Examination	6
JTM079	MA Thesis Seminar I for MAS	Vykoukal	WS/SS	0/2	Course credit	15
JTM080	MA Thesis Seminar II for MAS	Vykoukal	WS/SS	0/2	Course credit	15

Total number of ECTS: 60

Prerequisites, corequisites, alternative and incompatible courses

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Code	Course title	Pre-requisite	Co-requisite	Interchangeability	Incompatibility
JTM079	MA Thesis Seminar I for MAS	JTM047			
JTM080	MA Thesis Seminar II for MAS	JTM079			

Languages (J#0539)

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Code	Course title	Course leader	Semester	Hours per week	Course assessment	ECTS credit points
JLB100	Czech as a Foreign Language I	Frantesová Mazúrková Pellarová	WS/SS	0/4	Examination	6
JLB101	Czech as a Foreign Language II	Frantesová Mazúrková Pellarová	WS/SS	0/4	Examination	6
JLB102	Czech as a Foreign Language III	Frantesová Mazúrková Pellarová	WS/SS	0/4	Examination	6
JLB103	Czech as a Foreign Language IV	Frantesová Mazúrková Pellarová	WS/SS	0/4	Examination	6
JTB150	Polish I	Sitarz	WS	0/2	Course credit	3
JTB151	Polish II	Sitarz	SS	0/2	Course credit	3
JTB152	Polish III	Sitarz	WS	0/2	Course credit	3

JTB153	<u>Polish IV</u>	<u>Sitarz</u>	SS	0/2	Course credit	3
JTB154	<u>Greek Language I</u>	<u>Maniati</u>	WS	0/2	Course credit	3
JTB155	<u>Greek Language II</u>	<u>Maniati</u>	WS/SS	0/2	Course credit	3
JTB156	<u>Greek Language III</u>	<u>Maniati</u>	WS	0/2	Examination	3
JTB157	<u>Greek Language IV</u>	<u>Maniati</u>	SS	0/2	Examination	3
JTB158	<u>Russian Language I</u>	<u>Shvedova</u>	WS	0/3	Examination	6
JTB159	<u>Russian Language II</u>	<u>Shvedova</u>	SS	0/3	Examination	6
JTB160	<u>Russian Language III</u>	<u>Shvedova</u>	WS	0/3	Examination	6
JTB161	<u>Russian Language IV</u>	<u>Shvedova</u>	SS	0/3	Examination	6
JTB162	<u>Foreign Language I</u>	<u>Nigrin Weiss</u>	WS	0/2	Course credit	3
JTB163	<u>Foreign Language II</u>	<u>Nigrin Weiss</u>	SS	0/2	Course credit	3
JTB164	<u>Foreign Language III</u>	<u>Nigrin Weiss</u>	WS	0/2	Course credit	3
JTB165	<u>Foreign Language IV</u>	<u>Nigrin Weiss</u>	SS	0/2	Course credit	3

Total number of ECTS: 12

Prerequisites, corequisites, alternative and incompatible courses

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Code	Course title	Pre-requisite	Co-requisite	Interchangeability	Incompatibility
JTB151	Polish II	JTB150			
JTB152	Polish III	JTB151			
JTB153	Polish IV	JTB152			
JTB154	Greek Language I				JMB315 JMM147
JTB155	Greek Language II	JTB154			JMB316 JMM148
JTB156	Greek Language III	JTB155			JMB149 JMB317
JTB157	Greek Language IV	JTB156			JMB318 JMM150
JTB159	Russian Language II	JTB158			
JTB160	Russian Language III	JTB159			
JTB161	Russian Language IV	JTB160			
JTB163	Foreign Language II	JTB162			
JTB164	Foreign Language III	JTB163			

MAS - programme electives (J#0576)

For information on the two study tracks "The US and Global Affairs" and "Transition and Integration in Europe" see below .

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Code	Course title	Course leader	Semester	Hours per week	Course assessment	ECTS credit points
JPM820	Middle Eastern Terrorists and Revolutionaries in Cold War Central Europe	Kalhousová	SS	1/1	Examination	4
JTM014	Political Systems of East Central European Countries	Kubát	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM015	Economic Transformation in East Central and Southeastern Europe	Jeřábek	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM017	Society and Culture in Central Eurasia	Brisku Horák	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM018	Economic Transformations in the post-Soviet Area	Svoboda	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM019	Problems of the post-Soviet Space	Šír	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM023	European Union in International Affairs	Weiss	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM024	European Economic Integration	Young	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM032	Government in United States	Sehnálková	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM034	The Transatlantic Link: Understanding America from Europe	Hornát	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM035	U.S. Legal Culture	El-Ahmadieh	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM036	Major Problems in Political Economy in North American Context	Fířtová	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM037	U.S. Foreign Policy	Rařka	WS	1/1	Examination	6

JTM041	European Comparative Politics and Society	Rovná	WS/SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM042	Societal changes in Western European countries	Bauer	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM043	Comparative Capitalisms of Western Europe	Young	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM051	Introduction to History, Politics and Society of East-Central and South Eastern Europe	Vykoukal	WS	2/0	Examination	6
JTM052	Concepts and Interpretations of Central European History	Vykoukal	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM053	Concepts and Interpretations of Balkan History	Králová	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM055	Introduction to History, Politics and Society of Russia and Eastern Europe	Kolenovská	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM056	Concepts and Interpretations of Russian History	Kolenovská	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM057	Nationalism and Historiography in Central Eurasia	Horák	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM074	Topics in American History	Kýrová Pondělíček	SS	0/2	Examination	6
JTM083	Culture and Politics in Europe	Tomalová	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM084	Current Challenges in Europe	Mejstřík	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM085	Transnational History of Contemporary Europe	Brisku Králová	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM198	Volunteering	Švec	WS/SS	0/2	Course credit	3

JTM207	<u>Internship for MAS</u>	<u>Weiss</u>	WS/SS	0/4	Course credit	6
JTM240	<u>Mexico and Canada: Politics, Economy and Society</u>	<u>Fiřtová Perutka</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM241	<u>American Cinema: Trends and Developments</u>	<u>Nowell</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM242	<u>American Literature 1900-1950</u>	<u>Hanuř</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM243	<u>American Literature 1950-2000</u>	<u>Hanuř</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM244	<u>Cold War in Documents 1945-1962</u>	<u>Smetana</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM245	<u>Cold War in Documents 1963-1991</u>	<u>Smetana</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM246	<u>Critical Issues in U.S. - Chinese Relations</u>	<u>Sehnáľková</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM248	<u>Global Governance: The US and International Organizations</u>	<u>Hornáť</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM249	<u>Evolution of Sino-American Relations</u>	<u>Sehnáľková</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM250	<u>Hollywood/ Europe: A Transnational Film Culture</u>	<u>Nowell</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM251	<u>Landmarks in 20th Century U.S. History and Their Interpretations</u>	<u>Ponděľček</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM252	<u>Issues in United States National Security Policy</u>	<u>Rařka</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM253	<u>Major Issues in Contemporary Public Debates in the U.S.</u>	<u>Sehnáľková</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM254	<u>Promoting democracy abroad: the US</u>	<u>Hornáť</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6

	and the EU in third countries					
JTM256	Security Issues in Japan and the Far East Asia	Hosoda	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM257	Splendor and Misery of Détente	Fojtek	WS	2/0	Examination	6
JTM258	American Indian History and Policy	Kýrová	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM259	The Special Relationship between the United States and Great Britain	Raška	WS	2/0	Examination	6
JTM261	U.S. and Human Rights	Raška	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM262	U.S. Foreign Policy during the Cold War	Raška	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM263	U.S. Foreign Policy in the Age of Trump	Kashkett	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM266	Cultural Legacies and Developments in the Balkans: Modern and Traditional Entanglements	Asavei	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM267	Economy and Politics in the 20th Century Eastern Europe	Svoboda	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM268	Ethnic Conflicts in Central and Eastern Europe	Klípa	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM269	Ethno-Political Conflicts in the Caucasus	Brisku	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM273	Images and Stereotypes of the Balkans	Šístek	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM274	Oil and Gas in the Post Soviet Area	Svoboda	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM275	Post-Soviet Central Asia	Horák	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM279	Russia after 1991	Svoboda	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM280	Russia's Aggression	Šír	SS	1/1	Examination	6

	against Ukraine: Implications for European Security					
JTM284	British Politics	Rovná	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM285	Cohesion Policy of the EU in Central and East European Countries	Hauser	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM286	Contemporary Mediterranean	Mejstřík Králová	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM290	International Morality between Ethical Ideals and Reality	Allan Krulichová	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM291	Modernizing the Balkans	Šístek	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM292	Migration and mobility: comparative issues in Western European Countries	Bauer	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM294	Political Geography	Bauer Lavengood	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM296	Make Love, Not War: An Introduction to International Relations Ethics	Allan Krulichová	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM297	Rebuilding Europe: Challenge of the Climate Change	Rovná Kasáková	SS	0/2	Examination	6
JTM298	Scandinavian Politics and Society	Juhás	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM300	The Transformation of the Communist Successor Parties in Central Europe and Influence of the West European Leftists	Handl Mejstřík	SS	2/0	Examination	6
JTM313	Who Controls the	Emler	SS	1/1	Examination	6

	<u>Past, Controls the Future?</u>					
JTM315	<u>Social Exclusion and the Roma in Central Europe</u>	<u>Klípa</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM317	<u>Russian-Turkish Rivalry over the Balkan and Caucasus Areas</u>	<u>Brisku</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM318	<u>Grand Debates of European Integration</u>	<u>Kasáková</u>	SS	0/2	Examination	6
JTM320	<u>Putin's Russia</u>	<u>Veselý</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM321	<u>Ethnic Issues and Territories in Eastern, East Central and Southeastern Europe</u>	<u>Vykoukal</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM322	<u>Israel: Politics and Society</u>	<u>Kalhousová</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM323	<u>Legal Framework of the European Union</u>	<u>Šlosarčík</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM325	<u>Small States in the EU</u>	<u>Weiss</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM331	<u>Cultural History of Communist Europe</u>	<u>Klípa</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM332	<u>U.S. and the Global South</u>	<u>Szobi</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM336	<u>Theorizing Memory: Social and Cultural Remembering</u>	<u>Asavei</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM381	<u>Innovations in Policy-Making</u>	<u>Kleňha</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM382	<u>EU Institutions</u>	<u>Šlosarčík</u>	WS	2/0	Examination	6
JTM383	<u>Contemporary French Politics, Culture & Society</u>	<u>Bauer</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM404	<u>The Foreign Policy of Poland, the Czech Republic, and Hungary Towards Israel</u>	<u>Kalhousová</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6

JTM412	<u>Contemporary Balkans</u>	<u>Králová</u>	SS	1/1	macc	6
JTM417	<u>Internal and External Security Policy in the EU</u>	<u>Weiss</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM427	<u>Germany and Central Europe: Geopolitics of an Uneasy Relationship</u>	<u>Eberle</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM468	<u>The Notion of Nature in Modern Societies</u>	<u>Bauer</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM477	<u>Post-Soviet Ukraine: from an "Unexpected Nation" to the Unwarranted War</u>	<u>Korablyova</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM478	<u>Current Issues of (post)Constitutional European Integration</u>	<u>Šlosarčík</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM496	<u>The Foreign Policy of Central European Countries Towards Israel</u>	<u>Kalhousová</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM497	<u>History, Memory, and Politics: Central Europe and Israel</u>	<u>Kalhousová</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM499	<u>Genocide and Mass Violence</u>	<u>Kalhousová</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM503	<u>Eurovision: Contemporary European History through Popular Culture</u>	<u>Vuletic</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM504	<u>Managing Diplomatic Crisis: Challenges of Diplomacy in the Twentieth Century</u>	<u>Munter</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM505	<u>The City in Modern Central Europe</u>	<u>Piskačová</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6

JTM515	<u>Transnational Politics, Complicity, and Victims of the Holocaust</u>	<u>Hofmeisterová Králová</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM516	<u>World War II: Public History and Memory</u>	<u>Králová</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM517	<u>Culture Wars in the US Supreme Court</u>	<u>Hornaday</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM556	<u>From Laika to Lycra: Science and Technology in the Cold War</u>	<u>Johnston</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM558	<u>Cybersecurity: Concepts and Practice</u>	<u>Kadlecová</u>	WS	0/2	Examination	6
JTM616	<u>EU Migration Policies</u>	<u>Lukešová</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM617	<u>America's Silicon Valley: Global Hub of Technology Innovation</u>	<u>Wood Hornát</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM618	<u>American Media in the 21st Century: Polarized Politics and Fractured Ethics</u>	<u>Kuznik</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM627	<u>Analyzing crises and wars, including the Ukraine one</u>	<u>Allan Krulichová</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JTM634	<u>Human rights in post-Soviet space</u>	<u>Dubrovski Kolenovská</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6

Minimum ECTS: 36

Prerequisites, corequisites, alternative and incompatible courses

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Code	Course title	Pre-requisite	Co-requisite	Interchangeability	Incompatibility
JTM014	Political Systems of East Central European Countries				JMM095
JTM017	Society and Culture in Central Eurasia				JMMZ178
JTM019	Problems of the post-Soviet Space				JMMZ053
JTM023	European Union in International Affairs				JMM588 JMMZ188

JTM024	European Economic Integration				JMM322
JTM032	Government in United States				JMM345
JTM035	U.S. Legal Culture				JMM016
JTM036	Major Problems in Political Economy in North American Context				JMM529
JTM037	U.S. Foreign Policy				JMM339
JTM051	Introduction to History, Politics and Society of East-Central and South Eastern Europe				JMMZ094
JTM057	Nationalism and Historiography in Central Eurasia				JMM702
JTM074	Topics in American History				JTM033
JTM207	Internship for MAS				JMMZ366
JTM240	Mexico and Canada: Politics, Economy and Society				JMMZ319
JTM241	American Cinema: Trends and Developments				JMM599 JMM630
JTM244	Cold War in Documents 1945-1962				JMM384
JTM249	Evolution of Sino-American Relations				JMM206 JMMZ316
JTM251	Landmarks in 20th Century U.S. History and Their Interpretations				JMM012
JTM253	Major Issues in Contemporary Public Debates in the U.S.				JMM337
JTM257	Splendor and Misery of Détente				JMM283
JTM258	American Indian History and Policy				JMM598
JTM261	U.S. and Human Rights				JMM601
JTM266	Cultural Legacies and Developments in				JMB057

	the Balkans: Modern and Traditional Entanglements				
JTM267	Economy and Politics in the 20th Century Eastern Europe				JMM143
JTM269	Ethno-Political Conflicts in the Caucasus				JMM130
JTM273	Images and Stereotypes of the Balkans				JMM034
JTM275	Post-Soviet Central Asia				JMM361 JMM703
JTM279	Russia after 1991				JMM302
JTM285	Cohesion Policy of the EU in Central and East European Countries				JMMZ042
JTM286	Contemporary Mediterranean				JMM152
JTM297	Rebuilding Europe: Challenge of the Climate Change				JMM671
JTM298	Scandinavian Politics and Society				JMM247
JTM313	Who Controls the Past, Controls the Future?				JMM642
JTM320	Putin's Russia				JMM025
JTM323	Legal Framework of the European Union				JMM047 JMM251
JTM382	EU Institutions				JTM022
JTM383	Contemporary French Politics, Culture & Society				JMM683
JTM417	Internal and External Security Policy in the EU				JTM301

Study tracks

MAS students may choose from two focused study tracks - "The US and Global Affairs" and "Transition and Integration in Europe". Students who fulfill the requirements of one of the study tracks will receive a certificate recognising their specialisation in addition to their general MAS diploma. In order to qualify, students must

- obtain at least 30 ECTS credits from elective courses flagged for the study track, and
- submit a master thesis that falls within the scope of the chosen study track.

The US and Global Affairs

The following elective courses are flagged for this study track:

Code	Course Title	ECTS
JTM032	Government in the United States	6
JTM034	The Transatlantic Link: Understanding America from Europe	6
JTM035	U.S. Legal Culture	6
JTM036	Major Problems in Political Economy in North American Context	6
JTM037	U.S. Foreign Policy	6
JTM246	Critical Issues in U.S. - Chinese Relations	6
JTM248	Global Governance: The US and International Organizations	6
JTM249	Evolution of Sino-American Relations	6
JTM250	Hollywood/Europe: A Transnational Film Culture	6
JTM251	Landmarks in 20th Century U.S. History and Their Interpretations	6
JTM252	Issues in United States National Security Policy	6
JTM253	Major Issues in Contemporary Public Debates in the U.S.	6
JTM254	Promoting Democracy Abroad: the US and the EU in Third Countries	6
JTM259	The Special Relationship between the United States and Great Britain	6
JTM261	U.S. and Human Rights	6
JTM262	U.S. Foreign Policy during the Cold War	6
JTM263	U.S. Foreign Policy in the Age of Trump	6
JTM332	U.S. and the Global South	6

Transition and Integration in Europe

The following elective courses are flagged for this study track:

Code	Course Title	ECTS
JTM014	Political Systems of East Central European Countries	6
JTM018	Economic Transformations in the Post-Soviet Area	6
JTM019	Problems of the Post-Soviet Space	6
JTM023	European Union in International Affairs	6
JTM024	European Economic Integration	6
JTM083	Culture and Politics in Europe	6
JTM084	Current Challenges in Europe	6
JTM266	Cultural Legacies and Developments in the Balkans: Modern and Traditional Entanglements	6

JTM267	Economy and Politics in the 20th Century Eastern Europe	6
JTM268	Ethnic Conflicts in Central and Eastern Europe	6
JTM280	Russia's Aggression against Ukraine: Implications for European Security	6
JTM285	Cohesion Policy of the EU in Central and East European Countries	6
JTM297	Rebuilding Europe	6
JTM300	The Transformation of the Communist Successor Parties in Central Europe and Influence of the West European Leftists	6
JTM315	Social Exclusion and the Roma in Central Europe	6
JTM318	Grand Debates of European Integration	6
JTM321	Ethnic Issues and Territories in Easter, East Central and Southeastern Europe	6
JTM323	Legal Framework of the European Union	6
JTM325	Small States in the EU	6
JTM412	Contemporary Balkans	6

Study Plan Code:
J22NPMAS1422