



Univerza v Ljubljani



Saint Petersburg
State University



MASTER OF ARTS

MIREES

INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH AND STUDIES ON EASTERN EUROPE

faculty

MIREES is a programme taught in English with a faculty of prominent scholars of international repute. Students will be encouraged to meet different course requirements, absorb differentiated perspectives from a plurality of points of view, be strongly motivated to acknowledge differences, to understand "otherness", to make insightful comparisons, and they will be expected to learn to deal concretely with their own future area of expertise.

MIREES offers a two-year language skills programme which will take place partly in Italy and partly in the Partner Universities of Ljubljana, Vytautas Magnus University at Kaunas, Corvinus University of Budapest, and Saint Petersburg State University during the 6-month mobility period in the second year of the Programme.

experience

methodology

The MIREES programme offers curricula in Economics, International Relations and Politics, History, Anthropology and Cultural Studies focused on East-Central Europe and the Balkans. Students, while deepening their knowledge of the field of study of their choice, are expected to develop area skills and gain greater understanding of these by placing them in a wider context in order to acquire sensitivity to the interdisciplinary impact on decision-making processes.

MIREES combines an academic approach with professional training, forging potential insightful consultants, analysts, and managers as Area Experts for international agencies, public administrations, private and public companies, and NGOs, while also offering a solid basis for further academic studies at the PhD level.

education

Mirees added value

Students with a BA background in Economics, Law, Political Science, International Relations, History, Agricultural studies, and Cultural studies at large will get from MIREES an in-depth knowledge of Post-socialist Countries in transition, new EU member States (and their role in Europe after the Enlargements of 2004 and 2007), and East-European Neighbour Countries. In this sense, MIREES is an innovative postgraduate programme, unique in Italy and Europe.

Lord Ralf Dahrendorf, House of Lords, London

Prof. Bronislaw Geremek, Chair of European Civilisation - College of Europe, Warszawa

Michael Leigh, Director General DG Enlargement EU, Brussels

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advisory board

Mirees international diploma

Jointly recognized by the Universities of Bologna, Vytautas Magnus University at Kaunas, Ljubljana, Corvinus University of Budapest and Saint Petersburg State University.

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1st YEAR

During the first two terms, to be spent in Forlì, students are required to attend courses, seminars and public lectures for a total of 67 credits according to the following scheme:

- two compulsory courses respectively in «State Building, Nationalism, and Development in Eastern Europe»; «Methods and Skills»;
- one foreign language course in Bosnian-Croatian-Serbian, Bulgarian, Polish, Russian, or Slovak;
- two 40-hour courses within their chosen disciplinary group;
- two 40-hour courses, one for each disciplinary group other than the students' chosen disciplinary group;
- public lectures.

2nd YEAR

The third term of the programme (of at least 5 months) is to be spent in one of the Partner Universities selected together with the Faculty and according to the student's study programme.

The mobility involves both research work and traditional study. During this term students are expected to attend one language course among those on offer, two or more courses in their chosen field of expertise, while researching and selecting materials and documents, and conducting all other research activities related to their thesis, for a total of 32 credits.

Mobility grants are available to all students thanks to the Socrates exchange programme and the «MIREES Mobility Scheme»

The fourth term is wholly devoted to the writing of the thesis for 21 additional credits. No teaching activities are scheduled during this term. However, students work in close contact with their supervisors and meet for one work-in-progress thesis discussion. The defence of the thesis takes place in Forlì in the 24th month of the programme.

TEACHING PLAN

Duration of the programme: 24 months

Credits awarded: 120

Structure of the courses: 4 terms

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS. Applicants must normally hold a 1st level University Degree (3 or 4 year course), BA or a comparable qualification in one of the following subjects: Law, Economics, Social Sciences (Political science, Sociology, Political Geography, Demography, Gender Studies, Psychology, Anthropology), Humanities (History, Philosophy, Literature, Language Studies, Cultural studies) and Agriculture.

LANGUAGE OF TEACHING. Given that English is the language of teaching, applicants must have achieved a minimum score of 550 TOEFL or 6 IELTS or a comparable qualification.

APPLICATION FORM The application form and the deadline for applying are available on the web at www.mirees.unibo.it

ASSESSMENT OF CANDIDATES. The assessment of candidates takes place on the basis of the information provided in English in the application, complete with the required documentation. The assessment is made by an International Academic Board with representatives from the Partner Universities that jointly recognize the diploma. Organisational support is assured to admitted candidates that need to obtain a visa and/or to be helped in the completion of the registration procedures.

TUITION AND GRANTS. Tuition fees for both years of the programme amount to a total of €8,000 to be paid in 4 instalments (plus about €295 local taxes per year). Admitted students may be eligible for special grants based on academic achievements and financial needs (for a complete list of MIREES' sponsors and scholarship types, see www.mirees.unibo.it).

NON DISCRIMINATION POLICY. The Alma Mater Studiorum - University of Bologna does not discriminate in regard to education, employment, admission, or services on the grounds of gender, sexual orientation, race, colour, age, religion, national origin, citizenship or disability.

HOW TO APPLY

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