

UNIVERSITA' DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION - ACADEMIC YEAR 2019/20

IN

INTERNATIONAL POLITICS, LAW AND ECONOMICS (IPLE) - Classe L-36

Enrolled from 2019/2020 academic year

HEADING	
Degree classification - Denomination	L-36
and code:	
Degree title:	Dottore
Curricula currently available:	INTERNATIONAL POLITICS AND ECONOMICS (IPE) / INTERNATIONAL
	POLITICS AND LAW (IPL)
Length of course:	3 years
Total number of credits required to	180
complete programme:	
Course years currently available:	1°
Access procedures:	Cap on student numbers, student selection based on entrance test
Course code:	B26

PERSONS/ROLES

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CHARACTERISTICS OF DEGREE PROGRAMME

General and specific learning objectives

The Bachelor's Programme in International Politics, Law and Economics is a three-year English taught programme which offers interdisciplinary education in political science, law, economics, history, and sociology, with a particular emphasis on the political, economic, and legal dimensions of the contemporary international context.

The international and comparative focus which characterises all of the courses taught within this programme aims to enable students to understand and interpret today's global reality, while also allowing them to grasp and critically assess its complexities.

Furthermore, this Programme aims at providing graduates with a sound knowledge of English: students will be able to constantly practice it by attending lectures, actively participating in class (e.g. thanks to exercises and/or other written/oral activities), as well as taking written and oral exams in English.

Professional profile and employment opportunities

The Bachelor's Programme prepares graduates to find employment in the following areas: national and regional/local public administrations, including diplomatic missions to foreign countries or international institutions; international organisations; NGOs (e.g. those engaged in humanitarian volunteering activities); centres or associations specialised in the study and analysis of political, social, and economic processes; public and/or private (national or multinational) companies involved in international trade and finance; in the fields of services, cultural heritage, tourism, and communication.

Pre-requisites for admission

In order to be admitted to the Bachelor's Programme in International Politics, Law and Economics, prospective students must hold an upper secondary school diploma or equivalent qualification obtained abroad after at least 12 years of schooling , and possess an adequate educational background. Indeed, some basic skills are required in the three following areas: language comprehension, general culture, logic and mathematics. These skills are essential to the fruitful participation in this

programme, as is a sound knowledge of English (level B2 of the European reference framework).

Pursuant to Article 2 of Law 264/1999, with a view to ensuring high quality education in the light of available resources, the maximum number of students who can enroll in this programme is set at 125, plus a certain number of spots that are reserved for non-EU candidates residing abroad. The admission test will take place on September 5, 2019.

The admission test will serve as a basis for both the selection of candidates and the assessment of their skills in the abovementioned three areas (language comprehension, general culture, and logic and mathematics). In order to be positively assessed in each subject area, candidates must correctly answer at least 50% of the questions. Those candidates who are admitted in the programme despite having correctly replied to a lower percentage of questions in the area of logic and mathematics will be assigned further training requirements (s.c. 'OFA', Obblighi Formativi Aggiuntivi). This means that they will have to attend courses/workshops or consult supplementary materials and pass another test within their first year in the programme. If they fail to do so, they will have to enroll in the subsequent academic year as first-year students and will not be allowed to take second- and/or third-year exams. Further information on these OFA are available online on the website of the Faculty of Political, Economic and Social Sciences.

English OFA

In order to be entitled to sit for the exams included in the degree programme, students are required to certify their knowledge of the English language at the B2 level. This level can be certified in one of the following ways:

• By submitting a language certificate, taken no more than 3 years before its submittal and attesting a B2 or higher level (for the list of the language certificates accepted by the University of Milan, please refer to the website: http://www.unimi.it/studenti/100312.htm). Students can submit their language certificate during the immatriculation procedure or send it to the Language Centre of the University of Milan (SLAM) via Infostudente service.

By submitting a secondary school diploma in a course of study that uses English as primary language. Students can submit a copy of their diploma during the immatriculation procedure or send it to the Language Centre of the University of Milan (SLAM) via Infostudente service.

• By sitting for the Placement Test run by SLAM, during the first year exclusively, from September to December. Should they not pass the Placement Test, students will have to attend the English language courses organized by SLAM. All students who do not have a valid language certificate must sit for the Placement Test. Those students who do not sit for the Placement test by December or do not pass the the test at the end of the SLAM course in one of the 6 attempts granted, will have to get a language certificate outside the University of Milan within the first year of the Bachelor programme.

Italian language test

Furthermore, before graduating, students need to possess a minimal competence in the Italian language. To this end, enrolled students meet with the Programme's tutor who determines whether they need to take a placement test aimed at assessing their knowledge of Italian. Students who hold an upper secondary school diploma from an Italian (or Italian taught) course are exempted from the placement test, as are those who hold a language certificate. In case they do not already have those competences, students will be addressed to take the Italian language amongst the choice of 3-credit courses of Additional language skills.

Continuing your studies

This Bachelor's Programme is designed to provide its graduates with the appropriate knowledge and competences to continue their studies, in Italy or abroad, with a Master's Programme in the fields of Political Science, Law and Economics. The degree in International Politics, Law and Economics allows graduates meeting the curricular requirements to access several Master's Programmes within the Faculty of Political, Economic and Social Sciences of the University of Milan, including those in International Relations (class LM-52 'International Relations') and in Economics and Political Science (classes LM-56 'Economics' and LM-62 'Political Science').

Programme structure

The Bachelor's Programme in International Politics, Law and Economics consists in a general part and two alternative curricula:

- International Politics and Economics; or
- International Politics and Law.

Students need to choose the preferred curriculum during the enrollment process, since there are a few differences already during the first two years of study. They maintain the possibility of switching to a different curriculum, respecting the structure and requisites of the courses offered in the chosen curriculum.

Notes

In selecting alternative elective courses (e.g. International Human Rights Law or International Trade Law), each student's choice is limited to those actually given in that specific year.

The Bachelor's Programme in International Politics, Law and Economics is a three-year course. Working students and students who cannot regularly attend the full-time programme will be allowed to enroll in the programme part-time: in this case, the programme lasts five years. The advantages of enrolling part-time are the following:

- Students can obtain the degree in five years, instead of three, without becoming students 'fuori corso' (i.e., students who have not completed their exams in time);

- Tuition fees are reduced to the extent established by the University's 'Consiglio di amministrazione' (Board of Directors);

- part-time students can participate in specific initiatives, such as Saturday morning meetings or on-line teaching modules; At the time of enrollment in each new academic year, part-time students are allowed to switch to the full-time programme, with ensuing tuition fees.

Language test / computer literacy test

In the context of this Bachelor's Programme, all students must obtain 3 ECTS by taking an exam in Additional Language Skills. These ECTS shall be obtained in a language other than English and other than each student's mother tongue. Students who do not have a sufficient knowledge of Italian will need to obtain the abovementioned 3 ECTS by attending an Italian course organised by the University.

Compulsory attendance

Course attendance is highly recommended.

Study plan definition and submission for approval

The study plan must be submitted as of the 2nd year of the programme and, in any event, before submitting the degree application.

Degree programme final exam

The final exam consists in writing an essay on a topic previously agreed with a Faculty professor, and evaluated by a special two-member committee. The final essay can also contain the analysis of a specific topic that the student in question has dealt with during his/her internship. In order to be admitted to the final exam, students must have acquired at least 174 ECTS.

EXPERIENCE OF STUDY ABROAD AS PART OF THE DEGREE PROGRAM

The University of Milan fosters the international mobility of its students, by offering them the chance to spend periods of study or internships abroad. This represents a unique opportunity to enrich their education in an international framework.

To this end, the University has adhered to the European project "Erasmus+", within which it has established agreements with more than 300 Universities in more than 30 countries. Thanks to the programme, students can attend one of the partner Universities in order to carry out learning activities of their study plan. In addition, the programme provides for either internship activities in companies, training and research centres and/or other organisations or the chance to research and write the final essay abroad.

The University also maintains collaborative relationships with various other prestigious foreign institutions, by also offering similar opportunities in advanced courses.

In light of its international focus, the Bachelor's Programme in International Politics, Law and Economics encourages student participation in international mobility programmes. Moreover, it provides enrolled students with a wide range of options, in terms of foreign institutions where they may follow part of their studies and take exams, in the context of the Erasmus+ Programme.

The Departments responsible for the Bachelor's Programme have concluded agreements under the Erasmus+ Programme with several Universities in France, Germany, Spain, Eastern Europe (mainly Czech Republic, Poland, Estonia and Lithuania), Belgium, Denmark, Finland, Norway, Sweden, Portugal, the United Kingdom, Ireland, Malta and Slovenia, as well as extra-European exchanges with Japan (Waseda University and Kobe University).

The procedure for the recognition of exams taken abroad consists of two phases: a) before the student leaves, a 'Learning Agreement' identifies the courses that he/she is authorized to take abroad on the basis of the student's preferences and subject to the agreement of each concerned Professor; b) upon the student's return, the University of Milan recognises the exams included in the 'Transcript of Records' provided by the partner University and converts the grades acquired by the student.

ERASMUS + TRAINEESHIP PROGRAMME.

Students will also have the chance to carry out a training internship abroad in companies or other organisations, with a grant up to 12 months.

How to participate in Erasmus mobility programs

To gain access to mobility programmes for study purposes (3-12 months), students enrolled at the University of Milan must take part in a public selection that usually starts in February, when the relative call for application is published. This call includes information on available destinations, duration of the mobility, as well as requirements and deadlines for submitting the online application.

The selection aims at evaluating the candidates' proposed study abroad programme, as well as his/her knowledge of a foreign language (especially when this is a preferential requirement) and the motivations behind the request. The selection procedure is entrusted to ad-hoc commissions.

Every year, before the expiry of the call for applications, the University organises information sessions for each study course or group of study courses, in order to show the opportunities and explain participation rules to interested students.

To finance stays abroad under the Erasmus + programme, the European Union assigns each selected student a scholarship that - while not covering the full cost of living abroad - is a useful contribution for additional costs, such as travel costs or

the higher cost of living in the country of destination.

The monthly amount of the EU scholarship is established annually at the national level; additional contributions may be provided to students with disabilities. All participant students are also provided with a financial integration of their scholarship, the exact amount of which is determined on the basis of their income.

In order to enable students in economic disadvantaged conditions to participate in the Erasmus+ programme, the University of Milan assigns further additional contributions, the amount of which is determined every year, as are the criteria for assigning them.

Every year, the University of Milan promotes the language preparation of students selected for mobility programmes, organising every year intensive courses in the following languages: English, French, German and Spanish.

In order to facilitate the organisation of the stay abroad and guide students in choosing their destination, the University offers a specific support service.

Further information in English is available at www.unimi.it/ENG/relations/94033.htm

For assistance please contact:

Ufficio Accordi e relazioni internazionali via Festa del Perdono 7 (ground floor) Tel. 02 503 13501-12589-13495-1350 Fax 02 503 1350 E-mail: mobility.out@unimi.it Desk opening hours: Monday-friday 9 - 12

ADMISSION CRITERIA: 1ST YEAR CAP ON STUDENT, STUDENT SELECTION BASED ON ENTRANCE TEST

Application and enrolment information and procedures

Information and organisational procedure for enrollment

The 125 available places are allocated through an admission test aimed at ascertaining the candidates' basic knowledge in the following three areas: language comprehension, general culture, logic and mathematics.

Information on student transfers.

Students requesting the transfer from other Programmes must take the admission test and position themselves in the ranking.

Links to enrolment information and procedures

http://www.unimi.it/studenti/matricole/77516.htm

Practical instructions

For all information related to the admission test, please refer to the call for applications at http://www.unimi.it/studenti/matricole/77598.htm.

For all information related to the enrollment, please refer to the page: http://www.unimi.it/studenti/matricole/77516.htm.

N° of places reserved to non-EU students resident abroad

25

Number of places assigned

125

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Entry test/interview date, time and venue

05-09-2019, The exact time and place will be indicated on the website of the Faculty of Political, Economic and Social Sciences.

1° COURSE YEAR Core/compulsory courses/activities common to all curricula		
Learning activity	Ects	Sector
Comparative social systems	6	SPS/07
Contemporary history	6	M-STO/04
Data analysis	3	INF/01
History of political theories	6	SPS/02
Logic and critical thinking	3	M-FIL/02
Microeconomics	9	SECS-P/01
Political science	9	SPS/04
Public law	9	IUS/09
Total number of compulsory credits/ects	51	

2° COURSE YEAR (available as of academic year 2020/21) Core/compulsory courses/activities common

	Ects	Sector
	9	IUS/13
	12	SECS-P/01
	9	SPS/04
	6	SECS-S/01
Writing and communication skills		L-LIN/12
Total number of compulsory credits/ects	45	
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3° COURSE YEAR (available as of academic year 2021/22) Core/compulsory courses/activities common to all curricula

Learning activity

Final exam

Total number of compulsory credits/ects

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Ects Sector

Further elective courses common to all curricula

Students must obtain 3 ECTS by attending a workshop organized by the Bachelor Programme, or further training activities (e.g., an internship).

Students must obtain 12 ECTS from elective courses.

Students must obtain 3 ECTS from the Additional Language Skills Assessment.

Additional Language Skills: French (3 EC1S)	3	L-LIN/04
Additional Language Skills: German (3 ECTS)	3	L-LIN/14
Additional Language Skills: Italian (3 ECTS)	3	L-LIN/02
Additional Language Skills: Spanish (3 ECTS)	3	L-LIN/07

LIST OF CURRENTLY AVAILABLE CURRICULA

INTERNATIONAL POLITICS AND ECONOMICS (IPE) Course years currently available: 1° INTERNATIONAL POLITICS AND LAW (IPL) Course years currently available: 1°

CURRICULUM: [B26-A] INTERNATIONAL POLITICS AND ECONOMICS (IPE)

1° COURSE YEAR Core/compulsory courses/activities Curriculum-specific features			
INTERNATIONAL POLITICS AND ECONOMICS (IPE)			
Learning activity		Ects	Sector
Mathematics			SECS-S/06
	Total number of compulsory credits/ects	6	
2° COURSE YEAR (available as of academic year 2020/2	1) Core/compulsory cours	es/act	ivities
			ivities
Curriculum-specific features INTERNATIONAL POLITIC	S AND ECONOMICS (IP)	E)	
Learning activity		Ects	Sector
Advanced data analysis		3	INF/01
Econometrics		6	SECS-P/05
Polimetrics		6	SPS/04
Research methodology		6	SPS/07
Total number of compulsory credits/ects		21	
3° COURSE YEAR (available as of academic year 2021/22	2) Core/compulsory cours	es/act	tivities
Curriculum-specific features INTERNATIONAL POLITIC			
Learning activity		Ects	Sector
Comparative political systems		9	SPS/04
International economics and policy		6	SECS-P/01
Models in political analysis		9	SPS/04
Public economics		9	SECS-P/03
	Total number of compulsory credits/ects	33	

CURRICULUM: [B26-B] INTERNATIONAL POLITICS AND LAW (IPL)

1° COURSE YEAR Core/compulsory courses/activities Curriculum-specific features INTERNATIONAL POLITICS AND LAW (IPL)			
Learning activity		Ects	Sector
History of international relations		9	SPS/06
	Total number of compulsory credits/ects	9	
2° COURSE YEAR (available as of academic year 2020/21) Core/compulsory courses/activities Curriculum-specific features INTERNATIONAL POLITICS AND LAW (IPL)			
Learning activity		Ects	Sector
EUlaw		9	IUS/14

Sociology of globalization		6	SPS/08
War studies		6	SPS/04
	Total number of compulsory credits/ects	21	
3° COURSE YEAR (available as of academic year 2021/22) Core/compulsory courses/activities			ivities
Curriculum-specific features INTERNATIONAL POLITIC	S AND LAW (IPL)		
Learning activity		Ects	Sector
Comparative public law		6	IUS/21
History and politics of global powers		6	SPS/06
	Total number of compulsory credits/ects	12	
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Further elective courses Curriculum-specific elective cours	es for INTERNATIONAL	POLI	TICS AND
LAW (IPL)	•		

Students must obtain 9 ECTS in one of the following courses		
International human rights law	9 IUS/13	
International trade law	9 IUS/13	
Students must obtain 9 ECTS in one of the following courses		
International politics of East Asia	9 SPS/14	
State and society in the Mediterranean and in the Middle East	9 SPS/13	

COURSE PROGRESSION REQUIREMENTS

Course progression common to all curricula

a) Public Law is preparatory to International Law;

b) Political Science is preparatory to International Relations;

c) Microeconomics is preparatory to International Macroeconomics.

Course progression specific to the International Politics and Economics curriculum

a) Mathematics is preparatory to Econometrics;

b) International Macroeconomics is preparatory to International Economics and Policy, Public Economics;

c) Statistics is preparatory to Econometrics, Polimetrics;

d) Political science is preparatory to Polimetrics, Models in Political Analysis, Comparative Political Systems.

Course progression specific to the International Politics and Law curriculum

a) Public law is preparatory to EU Law and to Comparative Public Law;

b) Contemporary History is preparatory to History of International Relations, International Politics of East Asia and State and Society in the Mediterranean and in the Middle East;

c) International Relations is preparatory to War Studies, International Politics of East Asia and State and Society in the Mediterranean and in the Middle East;

d) History of International Relations is preparatory to History and Politics of Global Powers.