

Programme Changes 2024-2025

Master in Political Sciences: European and International Governance

Starting from academic year 2024-2025, the master's programme will undergo two significant curriculum changes.

1. The mandatory course 'Research Design and Methodology' disappears from the programme.
2. Students will be required to take elective courses.

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For students who enrolled in the programme in 2023-2024 or earlier, there is an alteration that may affect your study path: The discontinuation of the course 'Research Design and Methodology'

If you do not complete your master's programme in academic year 2023-2024, one of the four following scenarios will apply to you (see page 2). Each scenario outlines what is expected from you upon re-enrollment in the master's program for the academic year 2024-2025.

Possible scenarios

<p>You successfully completed both courses ‘Research Design and Methodology’ and ‘Master Thesis’</p>	<p>The curriculum changes do not affect your study path. Upon re-enrollment, you can register for your remaining master’s courses for the academic year 2024-2025.</p>
<p>You did not pass either ‘Research Design and Methodology’ or ‘Master Thesis’</p>	<p>Due to the discontinuation of ‘Research Design and Methodology,’ you will now need to enroll in the new master thesis course, which comprises 18 credits (increased from 15 credits). Upon re-enrollment, the study path counselor will inform you about when you can register for your courses for the academic year 2024-2025.</p>
<p>You passed the course ‘Research Design and Methodology’ but not the course ‘Master Thesis’</p>	<p>The curriculum changes do not affect your study path. Upon re-enrollment, you can register the master thesis course of 15 credits (along with any other remaining master’s courses) for the academic year 2024-2025.</p>
<p>You passed the course ‘Master Thesis’, but did not pass the course ‘Research Design and Methodology’</p>	<p>Due to the discontinuation of ‘Research Design and Methodology’, you are required to take an elective course instead. Upon re-enrollment, the study path counselor will provide details on when you can register for this elective course, along with any other remaining master’s courses for the academic year 2024-2025.</p>

2. Students will be required to take elective courses

1. Students start programma in 2024-2025:

For students who enrolled in the programme in 2024-2025 the course 'Skills Lab' remains mandatory for everyone to attend. From the list of compulsory courses so far, students must choose 4 out of 6 courses. In addition to these 4 courses, students choose 12 credits out of the list of electives courses.

2. Students enrolled in the programme in 2023 –2024 or earlier:

An extinction programme will be provided for students enrolled in the programme in 2023-2024 or earlier. These students must still take all 6 required courses.

1. International Security and Strategic Studies
2. European Economics
3. Institution and Governance of the European Union
4. International Political Economy
5. World Politics
6. Modern Diplomacy

Should you have any queries regarding your study path, please don't hesitate to contact studypath.es@vub.be.