

Entry Requirements

The foundation of your application and your acceptance into the master's program is a strong interest in political, social and historical events.

Applying for a master's degree requires that you hold an undergraduate degree, such as a bachelor's degree. Your undergraduate degree must be in a field relevant to International War Studies, such as history, political science, sociology or a related subject. Proof of 40 credit points in one of these subject areas is sufficient. If your transcript comes from a system that does not use credit points, then the joint Examining Board will make a decision about the equivalence of academic performance. Because the master's degree program is also conducted in English, we require proof of English language skills that correspond at least to Level C 1 of the Common European Framework for Languages.

You can read more about the subject-specific admission requirements in the respective admission regulations:

www.uni-potsdam.de/en/studium/studying/legal-foundations/zulassungsordnungen-fuer-master

Application and Enrollment

More information about the current application and enrollment procedures you can get at:

www.uni-potsdam.de/en/studium/what-to-study/master-studium/master-a-z/war-studies

Further Information

For more details about the teaching programme, the detailed study and examination regulations, the application procedure, etc. please visit: www.uni-potsdam.de/en/studium/studying/legalfoundations/studyregulations



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Universität Potsdam



INTERNATIONAL WAR STUDIES

Master of Arts (Double Degree)

The program's international orientation enables a broad array of scholarly opportunities for creating your own profile. Dublin and Potsdam, as places to do research, offer diverse cultural and political institutions that constitute a unique environment for research and teaching.

The master's degree program in International War Studies offers the opportunity for a double degree with the University College Dublin www.ucd.ie.



University College Dublin

Program Content

The International War Studies degree program examines the causes, dynamics and contexts of violent conflicts at a national and international level, as well as their pre-history, course of events, and consequences. The program focuses primarily on military history, the cultural history of political violence, and military sociology, with each field's respective methodologies and theories. The interrelationships between the state, society and the military are analyzed from the beginning of the Early Modern period to the present day. The program concentrates on modern history (the 19th and 20th centuries).

Program Objective and Future Career Options

Students will acquire abilities and competences that enable them to analyze historical and current conflicts. They will deepen and expand their subject-specific competences to include essential content from military sociology, the histo-

ry of violence, and military history. Students will refine their use of methodologies in the social sciences and humanities, become capable of discussing various subjects in a critical manner, and learn how to present the findings of their work in an appropriate way.

The program's international orientation, as well as the location of studies in Dublin and Potsdam, offers students global career opportunities. There are also no limits when it comes to fields of work. Opportunities abound in international organizations and NGOs, in scholarship, the media, subjects related to politics and policy, think tanks, museums, foundations and cultural management and communications.

Program Structure

This four-semester master's degree program requires the completion of 120 credit points. The following overview provides information about the weighting of individual modules and types of courses.

Module	
Mandatory modules	54 CP
Introduction to International War Studies	9 CP
The Military and Society in the Age of the "Total Wars", 1792-1945	15 CP
Module Abroad Dublin 1: Modern History and Politics	10 CP
Module Abroad Dublin 2: Political Violence in 20th Century Europe	10 CP
Module Abroad Dublin 3: War Studies	10 CP
Elective Fields	36 CP
Elective Field: Language An elective module of 6 credit points must be successfully completed.	
Academic Writing in English	6 CP
Working with English Research Literature and Sources	6 CP
Elective Field 2 Two modules of 15 credit points each must be successfully completed.	
Armed Forces and Society after 1945	15 CP
International History since the Early 20th Century	15 CP
Armed Forces and Society from Social Sciences Perspectives	15 CP
Adjoining Fields in Military History	15 CP
Violence, War and Memory in Modern History	15 CP
Conflict, Security and the Armed Forces – Historical and Social Sciences Approaches	15 CP
Security Policy	15 CP
Master's Thesis and Final Colloquium	30 CP