
International Relations

The Department of International Relations (Katedra mezinárodních vztahů, KMV) offers two-year Master's degree programme in International Relations both in the Czech (Mezinárodní vztahy, MV) and English (Master in International Relations, MAIN) versions. The programme provides students with the knowledge and analytical skills to understand and explain the international context of politics, economy, and security. The world is growing ever more interdependent and major political decisions, influencing the overall society, are made not only by individual nation states but increasingly also by regional as well as global institutions. Our programme helps students to understand how international and European politics work, and what are the challenges faced by states as well as business and societal actors in the globalized world. Students learn in depth about the functioning of the European Union and of the key global institutions which states have developed to address these challenges. They study how, if at all, international conflicts can be productively transformed into cooperation. In addition to providing students with a robust background in international and European politics, the programme puts an emphasis on the development of students' analytical capabilities, abstract and critical thinking, and communication as well as language skills. Thanks to the broad scope of competences that students acquire and deepen during their studies, our graduates become highly valued experts in national administration and diplomacy, European and international institutions, transnational corporation and NGOs, media, think-tanks, political parties, and academia. The study plan is built around a set of compulsory courses covering the core of international politics – Theories of International Relations, Armed Conflicts and International Security, International Economic Relations, International Organizations, and EU – Evolution of the Community. These courses are each accompanied by specialized seminars. In addition, students attend courses in qualitative as well as quantitative research methods and pass exams of the English language as well as of another foreign language. A broad range of other optional seminars is offered by the KMV together with other departments of the Institute of Political Studies and visiting professors. The programme also enables taking up other language courses. All the details on the study plan can be found [here](#) . Academic Supervisor of the programme is [doc. PhDr. Jan Karlas, MA., Ph.D.](#) Coordinator for admission is [Michal Parížek, M.Sc., Ph.D.](#)