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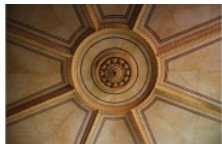
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Master's degree



European Urban Studies (EUS)

Bauhaus-Universität Weimar • Weimar



Overview

Degree	Master of Science
In cooperation with	Different partner universities, among others: Universitatea de Arhitectură și Urbanism Ion Mincu, Bucharest, Romania / University of Lisbon, Portugal / Ecole d'Urbanisme de Paris, France / Centre Marc Bloch Berlin, Germany / Universidad Politécnica de Madrid, Spain / IRS Leibniz Institute for Research on Society and Space, Erkner-Berlin, Germany
Teaching language	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• English
Languages	Courses are held in English.
Mode of study	Less than 50% online
Programme duration	4 semesters
Beginning	Winter semester
Application deadline	Non-EU applicants must apply by 15 May. Non-EU applicants submit their applications to: https://www.uni-assist.de/en/ . Applicants from EU countries must apply by 25 June. Applicants from EU countries submit their applications to: https://weimar.gomovein.com .
Tuition fees per semester in EUR	None
Combined Master's degree / PhD programme	No
Joint degree / double degree programme	No
Description/content	The "European Urban Studies" Master's programme (EUS) addresses current challenges of cities in the context of a globalised world. The EUS programme pays special attention to questions of social cohesion, urban housing, cultural diversity, sustainable planning and mobility. The programme works with an understanding of urban studies that combines competences from the disciplines of

urban planning, urban sociology, urban design, landscape and spatial planning. It provides a transdisciplinary and comprehensive approach for studying the development of cities in Europe and worldwide.

The Master's programme is aiming at educating researchers in the field of urban studies. It will provide knowledge and academic skills to analyse, research and plan, particularly for students who want to start a professional career in urban planning, research and academic institutions and the wider field of civil society. The teaching programme intends to prepare for self-organised research projects and thereby for further studies (PhD) as well.

The interaction of the different subject areas outlined below allows for a differentiated examination of various issues:

- European Cities
- Urban and Landscape Planning
- Urban Sociology
- Research Methods and Research Design

Study brochure: <https://www.uni-weimar.de/de/architektur-und-urbanistik/institute/ifeu/studium/european-urban-studies-msc/>

Course Details

Course organisation

The two-year Master's programme in European Urban Studies offers an interdisciplinary and comparative perspective on urban research. The academic education is focused on research on urban problems in contemporary cities in Europe, research strategies and methods, an intellectual framing on the international discourses in urban studies and the development of a European perspective on urban issues.

The programme consists of:

- compulsory courses on European cities (12 ECTS)
- compulsory courses in Urban and Landscape Planning (12 ECTS)
- compulsory courses in Urban Sociology (6 ECTS)
- two compulsory research methodology courses (6 ECTS)
- a comparative study project with an integrated research training in cooperation with a European partner university (12 ECTS)
- a language course in a European Language (not English) (3 ECTS)
- elective courses (9 ECTS)
- a research project abroad or in Germany supported by project supervision (30 ECTS)
- the thesis (30 ECTS)

The main instructional forms are seminars, lectures, a study project and a research project. Central to the study programme is the research project in Europe. The topic of the project is developed by the student himself/herself during the first two semesters. It will be carried out under the guidance of the professors in the appropriate area of studies during the third semester at a partner university or research institute abroad. The research project will be accompanied by a virtual project supervision seminar. The semester abroad offers very good opportunities to conduct research in a new environment and to build international networks. The result of the research project will be presented in a colloquium and in the form of a research article. Furthermore, the results of the case study can contribute to the Master's thesis and later on also serve as a preparation for a PhD.

The curriculum of the first two semesters is a combination of thematic and theoretically oriented seminars and lectures, a language course, a research training and a study project, which altogether will prepare students gradually for the research project in the third semester and the writing of the Master's thesis in the fourth semester. Modules such as European Cities, Urban Sociology and Urban and Landscape Planning will make students familiar with different theoretical and thematic points of view and enable them to develop their individual interests in the field of urban studies. In two seminars, special attention will be paid to research methodology, strategies and design culminating in an individual research exposé with a time schedule. The preparation of the research proposal will be also supported by the study project in the second semester. This comparative project with an integrated research training will be conducted in cooperation with a European

partner university. Within the study project, an exemplary research process will be carried out. Students will learn how to plan, organise and carry out a research project, ranging from the development of a research question to the documentation and presentation of a research project. Possible exchange formats with the partner university are block seminars, online courses, guest lectures or excursions.

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A Diploma supplement will be issued	Yes
International elements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International comparisons and thematic reference to the international context • International guest lecturers • Specialist literature in other languages • Language training provided • Courses are led with foreign partners • Projects with partners in Germany and abroad • Content-related regional focus
Course-specific, integrated German language courses	No
Course-specific, integrated English language courses	No

Costs / Funding

Tuition fees per semester in EUR	None
Semester contribution	The semester contribution is approx. 220 EUR per semester. This is allocated to student services & the student council. It grants free regional bus transport in Weimar, Erfurt, & Jena as well as train transport in Thuringia. Moreover, it provides student discounts for meals at the university cafeteria & for theatre and museum tickets, along with access to the university sports complex. An additional fee for the "Thoska" student ID is 20 EUR (one-time only fee).
Costs of living	<p>In Weimar, living expenses tend to be lower than in larger German cities. We recommend that students budget approx. 900 EUR per month:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health insurance approx. 120 EUR • Books and stationery approx. 70 EUR • Rent approx. 310 EUR • Meals approx. 220 EUR • Other expenses approx. 180 EUR <p>Students coming from outside of the EU need to provide proof of financial resources amounting to 934 EUR/month in order to obtain a residence permit.</p>
Funding opportunities within the university	Yes
Description of the above-mentioned funding opportunities within the university	<p>There are scholarships granted by the university as an institution. There are scholarships based on academic merit and/or social engagement for second-year and more senior students.</p> <p>The International Office grants scholarships through the Erasmus+ programme that support</p>

students (including international ones) who are going abroad for studies or internships.

Requirements / Registration

Academic admission requirements

Students must have obtained a university degree (or similar) from a German or an international university with at least 180 CP in the disciplines of architecture, landscape architecture, urban planning / regional planning, urban design, geography, urban sociology, political, social and cultural sciences, European studies and all related disciplines. Additionally, students must pass a selection procedure.

Official certified copies and a certified English translation of all degree certificates must be submitted with the application.

Language requirements

Applicants for the "European Urban Studies" Master's degree programme must have an advanced level of English language skills.

Proof of very good English language skills (minimum level B2 according to CEFR) is compulsory, e.g. TOEFL (Internet-based minimum 80 points), IELTS (minimum score 6.0), Cambridge Certificate (First Certificate FCE, grade C). Exceptions are possible.

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Applicants from EU countries submit their applications to: <https://weimar.gomovein.com>.

Submit application to

Application only online:

For EU applicants (incl. Switzerland):

<https://weimar.gomovein.com>

For non-EU applicants:

<https://www.uni-assist.de/en/>

For the application via uni-assist an application fee applies.

Services

Possibility of finding part-time employment

A part-time job can be a good way to supplement your finances during your studies. There are opportunities for students who are looking for teaching and research assistantships at the university or part-time jobs with local companies and within the service sector of the city. International students should be aware that a good command of German is necessary for working outside the university (and for many jobs within the university as well).

Jobs are offered on the "Pinnwand" message board of the university, on the job portal operated by the [Career Service](#), and on the "Studierendenwerk Thüringen's" [Job Search](#) platform.

International students from outside the EU are only allowed to work a limited number of hours in Germany (140 full days or 280 half days per year). Student jobs at the university are exempt from this rule. Either way, during the lecture period, students are not allowed to work more than 20 hours per week. The minimum wage is 12.41 EUR per hour and is standard for student jobs.

If you earn more than 538 EUR per month, you will be subject to higher health insurance premiums.

Accommodation

You can find accommodation in Weimar through the "Studierendenwerk Thüringen", which manages more than 1,000 apartments in the student halls of residence. These halls of residence are located at various locations in the city and are geared towards different needs and preferences. Accommodation costs between 250 and 350 EUR per month, depending on the size and location. The university itself does not provide accommodation.

If you want to rent a room through the "Studierendenwerk Thüringen" – which we strongly recommend to all newly arriving students – it is paramount to apply as early as possible as spaces are limited.

Further information: <https://www.stw-thuringen.de/en/housing/residential-homes.html>
Online application: <https://www.stw-thuringen.de/en/housing/application/online-application.html>

Typically, between two and up to five students share an apartment. Students have their own bedrooms and share a kitchen and a bathroom. Most rooms are furnished (bed, desk, chair, cupboard, shelf), but kitchenware and appliances are not included. Mentors for international students provide assistance in settling in during the first couple of days and also organise events.

Students advertise private and shared flats on the message board ("Pinnwand") on the university website: <https://www.uni-weimar.de/de/universitaet/aktuell/pinnwaende/bereich/wohnen/>.

Career advisory service

The Bauhaus-Universität Weimar Career Service supports students both during and after their studies. The Career Service offers individual [career consultation](#), [workshops](#) and [seminars](#) on entering the workforce or starting a new career.

<https://www.uni-weimar.de/en/university/studies/careers-service/>

Support for international students and doctoral candidates

- Welcome event
- Buddy programme
- Tutors
- Visa matters
- Specialist counselling

General services and support for international students and doctoral candidates

More support programmes of "Studierendenwerk Thüringen":

- student services
- counselling students and offering advice on studying
- psychosocial care and legal counselling service
- service for students with special needs
- service for students with children

<https://www.stw-thuringen.de/en/counselling/>

Our Partners



————— Bauhaus-Universität Weimar —————



Institute for European Urban Studies (IfEU)

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The Bauhaus-Universität Weimar is a small, renowned, and very international university with a very distinctive range of subjects. It is located in the historic city of Weimar and emerged from two progressive institutions: The "Saxon-Grand Ducal School of Art Weimar" and the "State Bauhaus", founded here in 1919.

Various personalities from different countries have shaped the institution and developed ideas that are recognised and respected worldwide. At the Bauhaus-Universität Weimar, we continue to follow a unique path that offers unrivalled opportunities by combining science and technology with art and design.

The international and interdisciplinary approach encourages experimentation and offers space for creativity, which attracts an above-average number of international students to Weimar. The university specialises in study and research in the fields of architecture and urbanism, civil and environmental engineering, art and design, and media.

We offer an ideal space for creative academic and artistic work, supported by laboratories, workshops, studios, libraries, online teaching facilities, and a favourable student-teacher ratio. Bauhaus-Universität Weimar is connected worldwide due to a large network of partners, which our students benefit from through programmes such as study abroad periods as well as international projects and excursions. Among more than 200 international partners are universities and schools in Ethiopia, France, Italy, Japan, Romania, Switzerland, and the USA.

Here are some important facts from the history of the university: In 1919, Walter Gropius created the "State Bauhaus" in Weimar. Four years later, he called for the search for the "new unity of art and engineering". That meant combining the vanguard of art and design with modern industry. With this approach, the Bauhaus became the most famous school of architecture, art, and design in the 20th century.

Our university flourishes through its experimental environment, familiar atmosphere and especially through the people, who study, research, and work here at the university. The best way is to experience this special atmosphere yourself. Join our "Welcome to Weimar" online crash course or visit us, for example, at the annual Bauhaus Summer School and learn about what lies behind the following numbers:

Four faculties – Architecture & Urbanism, Civil & Environmental Engineering, Art & Design, Media

44 degree programmes

Approx. 4,100 students, including doctoral students

Approx. 27% international students

86 professors

More than 200 partner universities and more than 500 student exchanges

<https://www.uni-weimar.de/en/university/international/to-weimar/fulltime-students/preparing-your-studies/>



 University location

The historic city of Weimar is a cosy town that has had a profound influence on Europe. This becomes most evident in architecture, art and design, music, and literature.

Weimar is situated right in the middle of Thuringia, the "green heart of Germany", and it is about 300 km from both the German capital, Berlin, and the German financial centre, Frankfurt am Main. Today, Weimar is a lively town with about 65,000 inhabitants and a town centre where you can reach everything within 15 minutes. The green areas of the town, such as the park on the Ilm River, include many sights, e.g. Goethe's summer house and the palaces of Tiefurt, Ettersburg, and Belvedere. Among many others, the famous German writers Johann Wolfgang von Goethe and Friedrich Schiller walked in the park along the Ilm River. The famous pianist and composer Franz Liszt stimulated modern music, and the architects Walter Gropius and Henry van de Velde initiated modernism.

Weimar has much to offer art lovers, culture lovers, revellers, lovers of nature, and gourmets. There are more than 20 museums, three cinemas, a national theatre, various cabaret theatres, student clubs, concerts, and multifaceted cultural events, such as the traditional folk event and the "Zwiebelmarkt". Additionally, one can enjoy Thuringian delicacies like "Rostbratwurst" (sausage), "Rostbrätel" (marinated grilled meat), and "Thüringer Klöße" (dumplings). During the spring and summer, Weimar hosts the annual Bauhaus Spring School and the Bauhaus Summer School as well as Yiddish Summer Weimar (featuring klezmer music) and several art festivals. Other highlights include the "summaery" annual exhibition at the Bauhaus-Universität and the "Master classes" at the "Hochschule für Musik Franz Liszt". According to the International Student Barometer survey, 95.4 percent of international students commend the exceptional quality of life in the city of Weimar. We hope to welcome you to Weimar soon!

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