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Master's degree



Transatlantic Master's Programme in Social Sciences (TAM)

Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin • Berlin



Overview

Degree	MA in Political Science
In cooperation with	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, University of Bath, Complutense University in Madrid, Sciences Po Grenoble, Middle East Technical University in Ankara, and the University of Siena
Teaching language	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• German• English• French• Spanish• Italian
Languages	Mostly English; other languages depend on the consortium partners
Programme duration	4 semesters
Beginning	Winter semester
Application deadline	Please see website for application details: https://tam.unc.edu/apply/
Tuition fees per semester in EUR	Varied
Combined Master's degree / PhD programme	No
Joint degree / double degree programme	No
Description/content	<p>The Transatlantic Master's Programme (TAM) trains graduate students pursuing international careers in administration, diplomacy, business, policy-making, consulting, teaching, and research. Offered by way of partnerships between world-renowned universities in the United States and Europe, TAM is a unique and intensive degree programme. TAM students pursue graduate study on both sides of the Atlantic while earning a Master's degree.</p> <p>In the face of accelerated European integration and intensification of US–EU relations, it has become imperative that students wishing to enter into international careers understand the institutional history and social, political, cultural, and economic practices of nations that comprise this growing international community. TAM prepares students to assume positions of leadership in</p>

world affairs by providing them with a broad comparative understanding of EU–US politics, policy, and social evolution, complemented by expertise in a particular nation or topic. To meet the demands of students wishing to pursue various career goals in the expanding transatlantic arena, the TAM programme offers two different tracks as well as various degree options. Students can choose to receive a Master's degree from the University of North Carolina (UNC), or they may opt for a degree granted by one of the European universities.

Course Details

Course organisation

The following is an overview of the modules offered at the Berlin site during semesters II and III. Each of the modules is usually composed of a seminar and a colloquium, workshop, or the like. The first semester always takes place at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Specialist Module I (summer semester):

Comparative European Government:

Systematic comparison of liberal Western democracies concerning typologies of institutional settings, decision-making structures and the processes and various types of actors involved in modern mass democracies.

Foreign and Security Policy in Europe:

Analysis of EU foreign policy, including the comparison of nation-state, supranational and inter-governmental approaches.

Facets of Europeanisation:

Elective chosen from the course catalogue of Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin.

Specialist Module II (winter semester):

Democracy and Democratisation in Europe:

Investigation of social, economic and political changes as an outcome of democratisation processes in Europe, by reflecting on examples from Western, Central and Eastern Europe.

Europe's Borders and Neighbours:

Discussion of EU-enlargement regarding policies and consequences. Analysis of instruments such as the European Neighbourhood Policy or regional EU-initiatives.

Facets of Europeanisation:

Elective chosen from the course catalogue of Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin.

International elements

- International guest lecturers
- Integrated study abroad unit(s)
- Study trips
- Courses are led with foreign partners
- Projects with partners in Germany and abroad
- International comparisons and thematic reference to the international context
- Content-related regional focus

Integrated study abroad unit(s)

The full-time programme consists of four semesters during which students study at up to three of the programme's partner universities: University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, University of Bath, Sciences Po Grenoble, Middle East Technical University Ankara, and Università degli Studi di Siena.

Course-specific, integrated German language courses

No

Course-specific, integrated English language courses

No

Costs / Funding

Tuition fees per semester in EUR	4,250 EUR
Semester contribution	Additionally, enrolment fees of around 315 EUR have to be paid for each semester at Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin. This amount includes service fees (around 110 EUR) as well as a seasonal student ticket for public transport ("Semesterticket") in and around Berlin for six months (200 EUR).
Funding opportunities within the university	Yes
Description of the above-mentioned funding opportunities within the university	The TAM programme awards a limited number of tuition remissions to reduce the programme fee. If you wish to be considered for a merit-based TAM scholarship, please include a brief statement to that effect in your application. In addition, three to four full FLAS scholarships (one full academic year's tuition plus a stipend of 15,000 USD) will usually be awarded to incoming TAM students.

Requirements / Registration

Academic admission requirements	Applicants must have completed an undergraduate degree from an accredited college or university, or an international equivalent, preferably in a relevant subject area (political science, history, international relations, European studies, American studies, economics or modern languages).
Language requirements	<p>All students are expected to be proficient in English and at least one other language. Students whose native language is not English must demonstrate English proficiency with the TOEFL (79 points with a minimum of 50 points in each section) or IELTS exam (7).</p> <p>Students who wish to undertake coursework in a language other than English must demonstrate ability in one of the other consortium languages, first through a language evaluation to be conducted by a university or college faculty member and submitted with the application. Language skills will be screened again in an interview at the beginning of the autumn semester at the University of North Carolina.</p> <p>At Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, it is possible to study in German (TAM—German track) as well as in English (TAM—English track). Students will have the largest range of options if they can study in both languages. Half of the compulsory classes are taught in English, and the other half are offered in German.</p>
Application deadline	Please see website for application details: https://tam.unc.edu/apply/
Submit application to	https://tam.unc.edu/apply/

Services

- Support for international**
- Welcome event

students and doctoral candidates

- Accompanying programme
- Specialist counselling
- Visa matters



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Master

TAM is really one of the most unique and well-structured study opportunities for young people with global mindsets and career aspirations. The comparative approach provided by TAM, both in the academic framework and through the experiential lens of studying at multiple world-renowned universities, really allows you to build a multidimensional cultural and intellectual skill set. I loved this programme and really think it's special. Thank you, TAM!

Our Partners



Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin



University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

As one of eleven German universities, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin was chosen "University of Excellence" in June 2012. It was successful in all three funding lines in the third round of the Excellence Initiative of the German federal and state governments and awarded for its future concept "Educating Enquiring Minds: Individuality - Openness - Guidance". In an international comparison, Humboldt-Universität ranks among the top ten of German universities. Scientists here research socially relevant topics and challenges of the future and communicate these with the public. Humboldt-Universität invests all its energy in being a place of excellent research and teaching. Its aim is to promote young talents and to positively influence society and economy outside the university framework.

Every year, over 5,000 young people decide to embark on their studies at Humboldt-Universität in the heart of Berlin. There is hardly any other place where they can choose from the same variety of degree courses - among them, some international Master's programmes with lectures and seminars held in English.

For a first-rate university, international exchange in research and study is a matter of course. Humboldt-Universität has academic partnerships with more than 400 Erasmus partners in Europe, with over 150 university partners worldwide, with partners in two Erasmus Mundus programmes and four Erasmus Mundus External Cooperation Windows Programmes with over 1,500 mobile students. Every year, about 800 academics from abroad spend time at Berlin's oldest university. Additionally, researchers from Humboldt-Universität are welcomed at many different international universities where they conduct projects or field studies and teach as guest lecturers. Humboldt-Universität helps students with the preparation of their study time abroad and provides consultation to international students and academics on all questions relating to their stay in Berlin. Through the creation of international networks, intercultural research and teaching are thus being furthered.

Humboldt-Universität's long-standing main partner in the Transatlantic Master's Programme is the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill's vibrant people and programmes attest to the university's long-standing place among leaders in higher education, which it has held since it was chartered in 1789 and opened its doors to students in 1795 as the nation's first public university. Situated in the beautiful college town of Chapel Hill, North Carolina, the University of North Carolina has earned a reputation as one of the best universities in the world. Carolina prides itself on a strong, diverse student body, academic opportunities not found anywhere else, and a value unmatched by any public university in the nation.

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, the nation's first public university, ranks among the world's leading research universities. A member of the prestigious Association of American Universities, Carolina regularly ranks as the best value for academic quality in United States public higher education.

Now in its third century, the university offers 78 Bachelor's, 112 Master's, 68 doctorate and seven professional degree programmes through 14 schools and the College of Arts and Sciences. More than 29,000 undergraduate, graduate and professional students learn from a faculty composed of 3,600 members. Every day, faculty, staff and students shape their teaching, research and public service to meet North Carolina's most pressing needs in all of its 100 counties. The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill's 282,886 alumni live in all 50 states and more than 140 countries.



University location

Students can choose from a variety of interesting cities: Bath, Berlin, Chapel Hill, Grenoble, and Siena!

Contact

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