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EPICUR Triple Master's Programme in European Geopolitics, International Security and Law (EGISL) 2026/2027 Academic Year Intake

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A truly European learning experience: live and study across Europe!

The EPICUR Master's Programme in European Geopolitics, International Security and Law (EGISL) is a highly selective, English-taught, two-year programme (120 ECTS) for students seeking an experience beyond a traditional Master's degree. Each year, a cohort of 15 students studies together across three European countries.

A Programme for Today's Global Challenges

EGISL provides you with an integrated understanding of European and international law, security, geopolitics, borders, and territorial diplomacy, equipping you to tackle a wide range of European and global challenges while building the practical skills and global network needed for high-impact careers.

The programme is jointly delivered by:



Adam Mickiewicz University
Poznań, Poland



University of Southern Denmark
Odense, Denmark



Sciences Po Strasbourg,
Université de Strasbourg, France

Through full academic mobility, you will spend each of your first three semesters at one of the leading European universities, all members of the EPICUR Alliance. This experience provides first-hand exposure to different perspectives of the international system, teaching methods, and cultural contexts - building adaptability and intercultural skills.

Who is this programme for?

- 🎯 Students with an academic background in international relations, political science, law, European studies, contemporary history, or related fields.
- 🎯 Strong interest in geopolitics, security, borders, diplomacy, and European and international law.
- 🎯 Motivation for a mobile, international study experience.
- 🎯 Career ambitions in European or global institutions, policy, research, or academia

Programme at a glance



Duration: Full-time - 2 years - 120 ECTS



Language of Instruction: English



Study across three campuses: S1 AMU, Poznań (PL); S2 SDU, Odense (DK); S3 Sciences Po Strasbourg, Unistra (FR); S4 Master's Thesis



Three full Master's degrees:

- MSc in European and International Law — AMU
- MSc in International Security and Law — SDU
- Master's degree in Geopolitics, Borders and Territorial Diplomacy — Unistra

Why choose this programme?

- ✓ An integrated focus on law, geopolitics, international relations, and security studies.
- ✓ Earn three full Master's degrees (subject to eligibility and academic requirements at each partner university) from AMU, SDU, and Unistra.
- ✓ Build real-world skills through crisis simulations, negotiation exercises, and hands-on workshops.
- ✓ Prepare for European and global careers in EU institutions, foreign ministries, international organisations, and the private sector.

Programme structure and mobility scheme

Students begin their academic journey at Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznań, building a strong foundation in legal and institutional frameworks while gaining insight into public international law, human rights, and international organizations within European and global contexts, and examining how these shape global governance.

Then they move to the University of Southern Denmark, where they examine modern warfare and the role of international law in contemporary conflicts, focusing on the use of force, conduct of hostilities, and the links between conflict, politics, and society. A key highlight is the MOISL crisis simulation, where they apply their knowledge in a dynamic, real-world scenario.

In the third semester at the prestigious Sciences Po Strasbourg in Strasbourg, students explore geopolitics, borders, and multi-level diplomacy within the EU and beyond, examining cross-border cooperation, European policies, and international crises, examining how diplomacy shapes responses to contested regions through an interdisciplinary lens.

This final semester is dedicated to research, allowing students to explore a topic of their choice and develop their area of specialisation. Supervision is provided by the home university, with possible co-supervision from a partner university.

Key skills: advanced legal reasoning; critical and strategic thinking; research and analytical skills; academic writing; negotiation and diplomacy; crisis and conflict management; decision-making; intercultural competence and communication; teamwork; project management; digital literacy.

Career Opportunities

Training experts to address tomorrow's international challenges

- International & European Organisations
- Diplomacy & International Relations
- Government & Public Authorities
- Foreign ministries, defence
- NGOs & Think Tanks
- Private Sector & International Consultancy: Political risk analysis, cybersecurity
- Eligibility for PhD programmes across Europe



Focus on classes

Semester 1 - Autumn (30 ECTS)

Legal and Institutional Foundations Adam Mickiewicz University (Poznań)

- International Law and International Organisations
- Human Rights in International and European Union Law
- Introduction to European and International Security
- Introduction to the functioning of the University
- Electives, including EPICUR module(s) Legal Aspects of Cybercrime and Data

Semester 3 - Autumn (30 ECTS)

Geopolitics, Borders and Diplomacy within the EU Sciences Po Strasbourg (Strasbourg)

- The Foundations of Geopolitics, Borders, and Territorial Diplomacy (mandatory)
- Areas studies and International Relations, including EPICUR Modules
- Workshops on Geopolitics, Borders, and Territorial Diplomacy
- Foreign Languages
- Seminar on Current International Relations Topics

Semester 2 - Spring (30 ECTS)

International Security and Law University of Southern Denmark (Odense)

- New Wars and conflict
- The Laws of New Wars
- From Theory to Practice, Job Skills and the International Crisis Simulation
- Electives, including EPICUR module(s) Summers School

Semester 4 (30 ECTS)

- Master's thesis and Working in International Relations
 - Academic Research and Writing Seminar
 - Master's Thesis

EPICUR Module(s): among its key strengths is the choice of elective courses, including EPICUR modules, taken alongside students from other partner universities of the Alliance in flexible formats (on-site, online, hybrid), providing a truly international campus experience.

Admission requirements

To be eligible for the EPICUR EGISL Master Programme, students are required to:

- ✔ Hold a bachelor's degree or equivalent (180 ECTS) at the time of enrolment
- ✔ Demonstrate C1-level proficiency in English
- ✔ Demonstrate research methodology skills in the social sciences, acquired either through previous studies or a bachelor's thesis.

Key information

Erasmus+ scholarship for mobility periods

Students benefit from Erasmus+ funding to support their international mobility.

Tuition Fees & Payment

Tuition fees are paid only at the home university and vary according to the institution.

Accommodation

Students can apply for student housing or find accommodation independently. Guidance and support are provided where possible.



Meet the Programme's Academic Team

The programme is coordinated by an international academic team from AMU, SDU, and Unistra.



Prof. Katarzyna Klafkowska-Wasniowska

Prof. Katarzyna Klafkowska-Wasniowska is Professor of Law at the Faculty of Law and Administration, Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznań (Poland), where she has been Head of the European Law Department since 2021 and held the Jean Monnet Chair 2022-2025. She is also Head of the Master's programme in European and International Law and the EPICUR Programme in European Geopolitics, International Security and Law (EGISL).

Her research focuses on European Union economic law, intellectual property law, and the regulation of electronic media and new technologies. She is actively engaged in academic research and publications addressing the legal framework of the EU internal market and audiovisual media services.

Studying European Geopolitics, International Security, and Law in a multinational setting with a structured mobility path offers a standout opportunity to gain advanced, real-world knowledge at a moment when Europe is navigating an historic convergence of geopolitical, security, and legal challenges.

This unique program offers an interdisciplinary approach shaped by three countries: Poland, with firsthand experience at the EU's eastern border; Denmark, developing the Nordic security outlook; and France, home to major European institutions in Strasbourg.



Prof. Vincent Keating

Vincent Keating is Head of Section for International Politics and Associate Professor of International Relations at the Center for War Studies, University of Southern Denmark, in Denmark. He is also Responsible for the Master's programme in International Security and Law and for the EPICUR Master's Programme in European Geopolitics, International Security and Law (EGISL).

His research explores key challenges in contemporary international politics, including the impact of the War on Terror on international human rights system, the role of trust and distrust in international security, the legitimacy of non-governmental organisations, and the dynamics of conservative soft power, particularly in Russia. He is actively engaged in academic research and has published extensively on security studies and contemporary international relations.

We designed the EGISL program for students seeking to navigate a global security landscape defined by the erosion of traditional norms and the increasing friction between state necessity and international law. By integrating perspectives from three distinct European security cultures, the degree examines how threat perceptions are socially and legally constructed - and how this affects potential solutions to the multiple problems we face.



Prof. Birte Wassenberg

Birte Wassenberg is Professor of Contemporary History and International Relations at Sciences Po Strasbourg, and Vice President in charge of Europe and International Relations of the University of Strasbourg (France). Former student of the College of Europe, she holds a Jean Monnet Chair and is director of the Franco-German Jean-Monnet Center of Excellence. She is Head of the Master's program in International Relations on Geopolitics, Borders and Territorial Diplomacy (GEODIP) track and the EPICUR Program in European Geopolitics, International Security and Law (EGISL).

Her research focuses on the history of European integration, Border Studies, and cross-border cooperation. She is actively engaged in European and international academic networks related to these themes.

Our EGISL Master offers the opportunity to study European and International Relations from a multidisciplinary perspective, combining Contemporary History, Law and Political Sciences. With a focus on geopolitics, international security, and Law, our students will address global challenges and get familiar with Border Studies, Diplomacy and Europe's neighbourhood relations. Moving each semester to another country, they will gain experience of three different university systems and will therefore be graduates with excellent chances for a successful career in International or European Affairs.

Study in...



Strasbourg

Strasbourg is a **vibrant** and **welcoming** city at the heart of Europe. It hosts major European institutions such as the **European Parliament**, giving students a unique **international** and **political** atmosphere. Studying in Strasbourg means living in a beautiful, dynamic European city while gaining an unforgettable **international experience**.



Odense

Odense is known for its **student-friendly atmosphere** and a lively city life offering exciting sights, cultural experiences and festivals, so there are many opportunities to **meet new people**. At the campus in Odense, you'll find programmes from all the university's disciplines in one place, creating a **unique interdisciplinary environment**.



Poznan

Poznań is a **historic city** with the **drive of an international innovation hub**. Located at the crossroads of major European routes, it has long connected cultures, ideas and markets across the continent. **Students are at the center of the city's energy**, and **can easily find meaningful internships**, strong professional connections and a solid foundation for international careers.



About EPICUR:

EPICUR is a European university alliance bringing together nine institutions: University of Strasbourg, University of Haute-Alsace in France, University of Freiburg and Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT) in Germany, University of Amsterdam in the Netherlands, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki in Greece, BOKU University in Austria, Adam Mickiewicz University in Poland, and University of Southern Denmark. Committed to innovative and multilingual education, EPICUR fosters academic collaboration, intercultural exchange, and new learning and research opportunities across Europe.

Practical Information

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