Bachelor of Arts in INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Detailed programme description
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PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION

CUB’s Bachelor of Arts in International Relations is a three-year English-language programme training “International Relations Experts” as future specialists of regional and international affairs with a comprehensive understanding of world politics and international relations.

The students have the opportunity to choose from a selection of area specialist as well as language courses to build up a useful portfolio. In addition, the programme has a multidisciplinary scope with strong IR, international legal, historical and world economics dimensions, with a solid background in the social sciences and a special focus on the European Union.

CUB’s Bachelor of Arts in International Relations offers ideal preparation for those who wish to pursue a career in public administration, international and regional institutions, NGOs or multinational companies based or operating within Central and Eastern Europe, but it does provide a more global outlook at the same time.

BASIC FEATURES OF THE PROGRAMME

Name of the programme: BA in International Relations
Course status: HAC accredited BA programme
Field of education: Social Sciences

Degree earned: degree: baccalaureus, bachelor (BA)
Professional title: International Relations Expert
Credit requirements: 180 ECTS
Tuition fee: EUR 1,900 / semester
Starting date(s): September 2013

PROGRAMME MANAGEMENT AND INFORMATION

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ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

For the BA programme in International Relations we invite international applicants who have completed their secondary school studies proved by a (senior) High School Diploma, have good command of the English language and submit the required documents.

As proof of language proficiency, non-native English applicants must have one of the language certificates listed below:

- valid TOEFL Score of minimum 61 points (iBT)
- valid IELTS of a minimum overall band of 5.5
- Cambridge Advanced Certificate in English
- PTE Academic 59

For application the following documents have to be submitted:

- Completed and signed Application Form
- Official notarized copy of secondary school certificate with the final results. If it is not issued in English, an official notarized translation into English (or Hungarian) is needed.
- Copy of the certificate of language exams and the results/scores (English language requirements are given in the Entry requirements) that prove your English proficiency
- Four passport-size photographs
- A brief CV in English
- A letter of application in English including your motivation for applying for this programme
- Copy of the photo page of the applicant’s passport

For the documents not in English (or Hungarian) an official, notarized English (or Hungarian) translation must be attached.

Although there is no oral entrance examination for the programme, the Admissions Board may contact any applicant for a personal interview. Admissions are decided by the Admission Board – a committee made up of representatives of the Dean’s Office of the Faculty of Social Sciences and of the Institute for International Studies. Students will receive written notification of the admission decision.

CORE COURSES

Up-to-date curricula and course descriptions as well as requirements for all courses are available at the following website: http://www.diplomacia.hu/

Please note that all course descriptions are subject to change and that it is always the course syllabus handed out in the first class of a given course that is valid for the given semester.

Basic module of social sciences:

- Basics of Informatics
- Communication Workshop
- Statistics
Core competences module:
- Comparative Economics
- Economic History
- Foundations of Psychology
- Foundations of Sociology
- Introduction to Political Science
- Law and Economics
- Philosophy
- Social History

Foundational professional module – academic courses:
- 20th Century Hungarian History
- Comparative History of Civilization
- Early Modern and Modern World History
- History of International Relations from 1945
- Human and Political Geography
- International Economics
- International Law I
- International Law II
- International Organizations
- International Political Economy
- International Relations from 1815 to 1945
- Introduction to International Relations
- Regional Studies
- Security Policy

Foundational professional module – methodological courses:
- Professional Communication
- Social Science Research Methods

Module of professional language and skills improvement (obligatory and elective):
- *International Relations in an Up-To Date Context* or *Fachsprache Internationale Studien* or *Le français des relations internationales*
- British Civilisation
- Civilisation Française
- Communication across Cultures
- English Pronunciation Skills
- Landeskunde Deutschschprachiger Länder
- Landeskunde Österreich
Courses available upon specialization:
- EU Professional Language (The European Union in an Up-To Date Context or Eu-Deutsch or Le français des institutions européennes)
- European Community Law
- History of European Integration
- Lobbying and Interest Reconciliation in the EU
- Policies of the EU
- Recent development of the EU
- Regional and cohesional policies of the EU
- Thesis Writing Seminar I
- Thesis Writing Seminar II