

At Louvain-la-Neuve - 120 credits - 2 years - Day schedule - In french

Dissertation/Graduation Project : YES - Internship : optional

Activities in English: YES - Activities in other languages : NO

Activities on other sites : NO

Main study domain : **Sciences politiques et sociales**Organized by: **Faculté des sciences économiques, sociales, politiques et de communication (ESPO)**Programme code: **spri2m** - European Qualifications Framework (EQF): 7**Table of contents**

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SPRI2M - Introduction

SPRI2M - Admission

For the specific conditions of this program : refer to the French version

General and specific admission requirements for this program must be satisfied at the time of enrolling at the university..

SPRI2M - Information

Learning outcomes

International political studies are designed to provide students with an in-depth knowledge of the world environment in which they are citizens. From villages to the United Nations, from negotiations between states to the role of non-governmental organizations, from the geopolitics of power to the management of international crises, from humanitarian intervention to peaceful resolution of conflict, nothing which drives politics in international relations should be unfamiliar to students who have completed this programme.

In addition to the core subjects of political science, the training provides students with the essential elements with which to analyze international life and to build on their existing knowledge in the politico-institutional, historical, economic and perhaps even socio-anthropological fields. The interpretation of diplomatic and strategic questions is also enhanced by study of approaches and methods in international negotiations, international relations theory and Foreign policy analysis (FPA).

At the end of the first year, students may choose to diversify their knowledge, either through research in international relations, or to preparing for an international career (e.g.diplomacy, government service, non-governmental organizations) by developing special expertise in an area of international policy or conflict resolution. During the second year, the emphasis is on political analysis, with numerous case studies from different parts of the world.

Training is also offered in the field of humanitarian action. This is done in a multi-disciplinary way, from a post-crisis reconstruction perspective. This training provides analysis and global understanding of conflict and situations where humanitarian intervention is needed.

Teaching method

Methods which reflect interdisciplinarity

Most of the teaching staff on the programme have backgrounds in two, sometimes three different areas which encourages contacts and approaches of an interdisciplinary kind. The very nature of international relations makes them a field for interdisciplinary research, aided by various transnational networks.

Variety of teaching strategies (including e-learning)

Most of the teaching staff are familiar with new multi-media technology and innovations introduced by the University Teaching and Multimedia Institute (Institut de pédagogie universitaire et des multimédias - IPUM). The overall rhythm and workload of the programme is carefully coordinated each year.

The geographical and subject range of the optional courses reflects the outward looking nature of the course and the diversity of the teaching.

The seminars are designed to give students support in the methodology of their individual project, whether in the research or professional focus.

Different learning situations

Courses, seminars, exercises, lectures, competitive examination simulations and learning to work in academic networks are all evidence of the multidisciplinary nature of the programme.

The professional focus in Humanitarian Action is designed to develop a global approach to so-called humanitarian crisis situations and post-crisis situations. The teaching staff have different academic backgrounds e.g. political science, anthropology, law, health, management and development). There is emphasis on learning how to work individually and in groups as well as using e-learning. Students must also do a work placement during the second year of the Master.

Evaluation

This is done on an annual basis, course by course, and is organised by the academic staff in charge of the programme and discussed by the Master Committee. Diplomats and members of NGOs may also take part in this process.

Mobility and/or Internationalisation outlook

- Programme content of international appeal
- Programme structure organized to attract non-Belgian students
- Some courses given in English to prepare students for exchange visits ; important yearly lectures of the Chair of Political, Administrative and International Reform, given (either in French or English) by a professor of international standing
- Study visit abroad for one semester possible under the Erasmus scheme, and to a lesser extent, Mercator; exchange can take place in the first or second years and is worth 30 credits.
- Importance given to European communication strategy

- In addition to the general agreement with KULeuven for regular exchange of subjects, discussions are currently under way to seek agreement for : 1/ access to specific courses for 15 credits ; 2/ access to courses which together form a natural group (for example groups of area studies or modules of seminars on methodology).

The professional focus in Humanitarian Action is part of the group formed in 1993 by a consortium of European universities under the aegis of the Network on Humanitarian Action (NOHA) and in collaboration with the European Community Humanitarian Aid department (ECHO). It is also one of the programmes supported by the Erasmus Mundus scheme. This gives a strong international element to the programme, allowing it to be entitled European Master in International Humanitarian Action.

Students may take advantage of the possibilities for exchange visits with the six other universities in the network.

- Ruhr-Universität Bochum, Germany
- Paul Cézanne University, Aix-Marseille, France
- University College Dublin, Ireland
- Rijksuniversiteit Groningen (RUG), Netherlands
- Deusto University , Spain
- Uppsala University , Sweden

Under the Erasmus Mundus scheme, research may be done at partner universities outside the European Union.

Under another initiative, links have been established with doctoral students and the network of the Centre for the Study of Crisis and International Conflict (Centre d'études des Crises et des Conflits internationaux – CECRI)

Possible trainings at the end of the programme

Advanced Masters : Interdisciplinary Analysis of European Integration

Doctoral programmes : doctorate in Political and Social Science for research in international relations (for students with a higher level pass)

Doctoral school in political science (FNRS), or other schools approved by the Graduate College in Political and Social Science.

SPRI2M - Contacts

Curriculum Management

Entite de la structure PSAD

Acronyme	PSAD
Dénomination	Ecole des Sciences politiques et sociales / Louvain School of Political and Social Sciences
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Secteur	Secteur des sciences humaines (SSH)
Faculté	Faculté des sciences économiques, sociales, politiques et de communication (ESPO)
Commission de programme	Ecole des Sciences politiques et sociales / Louvain School of Political and Social Sciences (PSAD)

Responsable du programme pour la finalité en diplomatie et résolution des conflits : **Michel Liégeois**

Responsable du programme pour la finalité en action humanitaire : **Catherine Gourbin**

Jury

Président du Jury : **Christian de Visscher**

Secrétaire du Jury : **Amine Ait-Chaalal**

Usefull Contacts

Responsable administrative : **Chantal Herman**

SPRI2M - Detailed programme

Programme structure

The programme of the first year of the 120 credit Master in Political Science (International Relations) comprises a broad range of core subjects (45 credits), optional subjects (13 credits) and preparation for the dissertation (2 credits). The core subjects include advanced political science courses as well as courses and seminars devoted to international relations and humanitarian action. The programme director will want to ensure that the subjects students choose from the list of core subjects (45 credits out of a total of 65) are relevant to their focus and may not validate certain subjects for this reason.

2 credits out of 20 are allocated to the preparation of the dissertation. Students are required to provide a reasoned account of the research topic, a preliminary bibliography on the topic in question as well as a suggested work plan, together with a schedule showing when the different stages will be completed.

The list of optional subjects (13 credits out of a total of 25 credits) includes regional analysis or advanced language lessons.

The second year programme is made up of focuses worth 30 credits (research focus, professional focus in diplomacy and conflict resolution and professional focus in humanitarian action) ; 18 credits (out of a total of 20 credits) are given for writing the dissertation; 12 credits (out of a total of 25 credits) are for optional subjects which complement those taken in the first year.

- The **research focus** is designed to equip students with advanced research in political science and international relations. The emphasis is on in-depth methodologies, joining research teams and being able to work independently. This focus prepares students specifically for research.
- Through targeted study of the international scene, the **professional focus in diplomacy and conflict resolution** prepares students for an international career in the public or private sector. Diplomacy and the strategies of different powers are closely examined in parallel with techniques for negotiation and crisis resolution. There is a special seminar to prepare students for international posts.
- The **professional focus in humanitarian action** is designed to examine humanitarian and post-crisis reconstruction issues from a multi-disciplinary starting point. It goes through the legal, cultural, political and health perspectives to provide an analysis of situations where humanitarian intervention is required. It also enables a connection to be made between a crisis situation and more long-term development aid.

Whatever the focus or the options chosen, the programme of this master shall totalize 120 credits, spread over two years of studies each of 60 credits.

Core study

> [Tronc commun](#) [[en-prog-2013-spri2m-lspri200t.html](#)]

Focuses

> [Professional focus:Diplomacy and Conflict Resolution](#) [[en-prog-2013-spri2m-lspri200s](#)]
> [Professional focus:Humanitarian Action](#) [[en-prog-2013-spri2m-lspri201s](#)]

> [Cours au choix](#) [[en-prog-2013-spri2m-lspri200a.html](#)]

Programme by subject

Core courses [65.0]

● Mandatory

△ Courses not taught during 2013-2014

⊕ Periodic courses taught during 2013-2014

❖ Optional

○ Periodic courses not taught during 2013-2014

† Two years course

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● Mémoire (20 credits)

● LSPRI2900A	Mémoire - 1ère partie	N.		2 Credits	X
● LSPRI2900B	Mémoire - 2ème partie	N.		18 Credits	X

o Cours obligatoires (45 credits)

L'étudiant choisit l'une des deux matières suivantes :

❖ Cours approfondis pour la finalité spécialisée en diplomatie et résolution des conflits (45 credits)

● LSPRI2050	Comparative Politics of Western States	Lieven De Winter	30h	5 Credits	1q	x	
● LSPRI2020	Introduction aux relations internationales : théories et systèmes (Partie II)	Michel Liegeois	30h+15h	5 Credits		x	
● LSPRI2005	International Administrativ and Political Reforms Andre Molitor Chair	Wolfgang Drechsler, Christophe Wasinski	30h	5 Credits	2q	x	
● LSPRI2000	Public Policy Analysis	David Aubin, Claire Dupuy	30h	5 Credits	2q	x	
● LEUSL2010	Political Theories and Regime of the European Union	Tom Delreux	30h	5 Credits	1q	x	
● LSPRI2070	International Economic relationships	Guy Ertz	30h	5 Credits	2q	x	
● LSPRI2045	International Organizations	Amine Ait-Chaalal	30h	5 Credits	2q	x	
● LSPRI2080	Foreign Policy Analysis	Tanguy Struye de Swielande	30h	5 Credits	1q	x	

❖ Séminaire au choix pour la finalité spécialisée en diplomatie et résolution des conflits

Un parmi :

❖ LSPRI2010	Current Issues of International Security	Michel Liegeois	15h	5 Credits	2q	x	
❖ LSPRI2060	Séminaire de relations internationales	Amine Ait-Chaalal, Tanguy Struye de Swielande	15h	5 Credits	1q	x	

❖ Cours approfondis pour la finalité spécialisée en action humanitaire (45 credits)

● LHUMA2010	Geopolitic and Humanitarian Action	Michel Liegeois	30h	5 Credits	1q	x	
● LHUMA2020	Public Health	Jean Macq	30h	5 Credits	1q	x	
● LHUMA2030	Humanitarian Law	Raphael Van Steenberghe	30h	5 Credits	1q	x	
● LHUMA2040	Management in Humanitarian Assistance	Catherine Gourbin (coord.), Jan Weuts	30h	5 Credits	1q	x	
● LHUMA2210	Foreign Policy and Humanitarian Assistance	Amine Ait-Chaalal	30h	5 Credits	2q	x	
● LHUMA2050	Interdisciplinary seminar in humanitarian assistance	Amine Ait-Chaalal, Catherine Gourbin, Jean Macq	45h+15h	10 Credits	2q	x	
● LDVLP2320	Anthropology of development and environment	Pierre-Joseph Laurent	30h	5 Credits	1q	x	

o Activités au choix pour la finalité spécialisée en action humanitaire (5 credits)

❖ LHUMA2000	Programme intensif	N.		5 Credits		x	
❖ LHUMA2001	Etude de cas	N.		5 Credits		x	

List of focuses

parmi :

- > Professional focus:Diplomacy and Conflict Resolution [en-prog-2013-spri2m-lspri200s]
- > Professional focus:Humanitarian Action [en-prog-2013-spri2m-lspri201s]

PROFESSIONAL FOCUS:DIPLOMACY AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION [30.0]

● Mandatory

△ Courses not taught during 2013-2014

⊕ Periodic courses taught during 2013-2014

☒ Optional

○ Periodic courses not taught during 2013-2014

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○ Cours obligatoires (10 credits)

● LSPRI2310	Geoeconomy	N.	30h	5 Credits	1q	x
● LSPRI2330	International Strategy and Security	Michel Liegeois	30h	5 Credits	1q	x

○ Séminaire (5 credits)

L'étudiant choisit un séminaire de 5 crédits parmi :

☒ LSPRI2320	Seminar: international Relations and Introduction to Diplomatic and International Fonctions	Tanguy Struye de Swielande	15h+15h	5 Credits	2q	x
☒ LSPRI2325	Séminaire approfondi de relations internationales : questions théoriques	Michel Liegeois	15h	5 Credits	2q	x
☒ LSPRI2335	Séminaire approfondi de relations internationales : questions culturelles	N.	15h	5 Credits		x

○ Cours au choix (15 credits)

3 cours parmi

☒ LSPRI2300	International Negotiation	Valérie Rosoux	30h	5 Credits	2q	x
☒ LSPRI2311	United States Foreign Policy	Amine Ait-Chaalal	30h	5 Credits	1q	x
☒ LSPRI2315	Politique étrangère de la Belgique	Tanguy de Wilde d'Estmael	15h	5 Credits		x
☒ LEUSL2301	European common foreign, security and defence policy	Tanguy de Wilde d'Estmael	30h	5 Credits	1+2q	x
☒ LEUSL2308	IBL Chair: The Euro-Russian partnership: challenges and processes	Laetitia Spetschinsky	30h	5 Credits	1q	x

PROFESSIONAL FOCUS:HUMANITARIAN ACTION [30.0]

● Mandatory

△ Courses not taught during 2013-2014

⊕ Periodic courses taught during 2013-2014

☒ Optional

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o Activités obligatoires (25 credits)

● LHUMA2200	Humanitarian Action and Development	Joseph Amougou, Catherine Gourbin	30h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
● LHUMA2220	Health in the rescue operation	Vincent Dubois, Debarati Guha, Philippe Meert	30h	5 Credits	2q	x	
● LHUMA9001	Stage	N.		10 Credits			x
● LHUMA2225	Seminar : conflict transformation	Valérie Rosoux	30h	5 Credits		x	

o Cours au choix (5 credits)

Minimum 5 crédits parmi:

☒ LDRHO3406	Droit d'asile et des réfugiés	Jean-Yves Carlier, François Crépeau	30h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
☒ LECON2342	Development theories	Andrea Lemaitre, Marthe Nyssens	30h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
☒ LDVLP2315	Socio-political analysis of development	Joseph Amougou (compensates Isabel Yépez Del Castillo), Isabel Yépez Del Castillo	30h	5 Credits	1q	x	x
☒ WSDEV2111	Sanitation in tropical environment	Maryse Wanlin	15h	3 Credits		x	x
☒ WMED2180	Hygiene in tropical countries	N.	15h	2 Credits	1q	△	x
☒ LDEMO2610	Populations and health	Philippe Bocquier, Catherine Gourbin	30h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
☒ LSOC2050	Sociology of Social Inequalities	Nathalie Burnay	30h	5 Credits	1q	x	x

Cours au choix [25.0]

● Mandatory

△ Courses not taught during 2013-2014

⊕ Periodic courses taught during 2013-2014

❖ Optional

Ø Periodic courses not taught during 2013-2014

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❖ Aires régionales

❖ Belgique

❖ LSPRI2630	Federalism and Local Administration	Christian de Visscher, Kris Wauters	30h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
❖ LSPRI2670	Economic structures of Belgium	Guillaume Pierre Wunsch	30h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
❖ LSPRI2640	Regional Development	Alain Schoon	30h	5 Credits	1q △	x	x

❖ Asie (en particulier Chine, Japon, Corée et Inde)

❖ LSPRI2650	Strategic and Economic Analysis of the Pacific Basin	Elena Atanassova	15h	5 Credits	1q	x	x
❖ LSPRI2660	China and World Politics	Tanguy Struye de Swielande	30h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
❖ LASI2302	Analysis of contemporary Chinese society	N.	30h	5 Credits	2q Ø	x	x
❖ LASI2303	Analysis of contemporary Japanese society	Kanako Goto	30h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
❖ LASI1302	Chair Chiang Ching-Kuo I	N.	15h	3 Credits	1q Ø	x	x
❖ LASI1301	Chair Chiang Ching-Kuo II	N.	15h	5 Credits	2q ⊕	x	x
❖ LGOR2839	Satsuma Chair	N.	15h	5 Credits	2q Ø	x	x
❖ LGOR2849	Satsuma Chair	N.	15h	5 Credits	2q ⊕	x	x
❖ LGOR2543	Culture and Civilization of India and the Far East II	Robert Deliège	30h	5 Credits	1q ⊕	x	x
❖ LASI2304	Analysis of contemporary Indian Society	Robert Deliège	30h	4 Credits	1q	x	x
❖ LGOR2544	History and society of India and the Far East II	Paul Servais	30h	5 Credits	1q Ø	x	x
❖ LGOR2943	Anthropology of India and the Far East : Special Issues	Robert Deliège	30h	5 Credits	1q ⊕	x	x

❖ Afrique

❖ LDVLP2626	Socio-political analysis of Africa	Philippe De Leener	30h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
❖ LDVLP2625	Socio-economic analysis of Africa	Philippe De Leener	30h	5 Credits	1q	x	x

❖ Amérique Latine

❖ LDVLP2631	Socio-political analysis of Latin America	Isabel Yépez Del Castillo	30h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
❖ LDVLP2630	Socio-economic analysis of Latin America	Isabel Yépez Del Castillo	30h	5 Credits	1+2q	x	x

❖ Monde arabo-musulman

❖ LDVLP2641	Socio-political analysis of the Arab World	Vincent Legrand	30h	5 Credits	1q	x	x
❖ LDVLP2640	Socio-economic analysis of the Arab world	Vincent Legrand	30h	5 Credits	2q	x	x
❖ LGOR2534	Culture and Civilization of Islam and the Arab World II	Godefroid De Callatay	30h	5 Credits	2q Ø	x	x
❖ LGOR2533	History and Society of Islam and the Arab World II	Godefroid De Callatay	30h	5 Credits	2q ⊕	x	x

❖ Grande Europe

❖ Institutions et politiques de l'Union européenne

❖ LEUSL2020	Institutional Law of the European Union	Hugues Dumont	45h	6 Credits	1q	x	x
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❖ LEUSL2021	Substantive Law of the European Union	Marc Fallon, Anne-Lise Sibony (compensates Marc Fallon)	45h	6 Credits	1q	x x	
❖ LEUSL2011	Actors of the European political system	Denis Duez	30h	5 Credits	2q	x x	
❖ LEUSL2030	Economic and social integration in Europe	Jean-Christophe Defraigne	30h	5 Credits	1q	x x	

❖ Europe centrale et orientale

❖ LSPRI2700	Central and Eastern European Countries Political Analysis	Tanguy de Wilde d'Estmael	15h	5 Credits	1q	x x	
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❖ Relations extérieures de l'Union européenne

❖ LEUSL2105	Social model and employment	N.	30h	5 Credits	1q	x x	
❖ LEUSL2308	IBL Chair: The Euro-Russian partnership: challenges and processes	Laetitia Spetschinsky	30h	5 Credits	1q	x x	
❖ LEUSL2310	IBL Chair - Seminar - Conflict and cooperation between the EU and Russia in the Former Soviet Union	Tanguy de Wilde d'Estmael (coord.), Xavier Follebouckt (coord.)	30h	5 Credits	2q	x x	
❖ LEUSL2012	External Action of the European Union	Tom Delreux	30h	5 Credits	2q	x x	

❖ Law of international globalization

❖ LDROP2181	World Trade Organization Law	Colin Brown, Isabelle Van Damme	30h	5 Credits	2q	x x	
❖ LDROP2182	International Organizations and World Governance	Frédéric Dopagne, Philippe Gautier	30h	5 Credits	2q	x x	
❖ LDROP2164	International Protection of the Environment	Nicolas de Sadeleer, Philippe Gautier	30h	5 Credits	2q	x x	

❖ Perfectionnement linguistique ciblé**❖ Perfectionnement en langues et civilisations germaniques**

❖ LMULT2412	Oral business communication techniques in German	Hedwig Reuter	30h+30h	6 Credits	1+2q	x x	
❖ LMULT2422	Oral business communication techniques in English	Sylvie De Cock (coord.)	30h+30h	6 Credits	1+2q	x x	
❖ LMULT2432	Oral business communication techniques in Dutch	Anne Goedgezelchap	30h+30h	6 Credits	1+2q	x x	
❖ LMULT2411	Economic, legal, social and political issues in German-speaking countries	Henri Bouillon (coord.)	30h+15h	5 Credits	1+2q	x x	
❖ LMULT2421	Economic, legal, social and political issues in English-speaking countries	Guido Latre	30h+15h	5 Credits	1+2q	x x	
❖ LMULT2431	Economic, legal, social and political issues in Dutch-speaking countries	Philippe Hiligsmann, Matthieu Sergier (compensates Philippe Hiligsmann)	30h+15h	5 Credits	1+2q	x x	
❖ LMULT2213	Reading comprehension and vocabulary extension: economic and commercial texts in German	Marie-Luce Collard	30h	4 Credits	1q	x x	
❖ LMULT2223	Reading comprehension and vocabulary extension: economic and commercial texts in English	Sylvie De Cock	30h	4 Credits	1q	x x	
❖ LMULT2233	Reading comprehension and vocabulary extension: economic and commercial texts in Dutch	Jean-Pierre Colson	30h	4 Credits	1q	x x	

❖ Sciences religieuses

❖ LSREL2012	History of the Jewish Religion	David Meyer	30h	3 Credits	2q Ø	x x	
❖ LTHEO1242	Religions and Media	Walter Lesch	30h	3 Credits	2q Ø	x x	
❖ LTHEO1251	Questions of Christian Anthropology	Olivier Riaudel	30h	3 Credits	1q ⊕	x x	

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☒ LTHEO2261	Christian Social Ethics : politics and economics questions I	Walter Lesch	30h	4 Credits	1q   	x	x
☒ LTHEO1362	Art and Religion	Ralph Dekoninck	30h	3 Credits	2q   	x	x
☒ LTHEO2262	Christian Social Ethics : politics and economics questions II	Walter Lesch	30h	4 Credits	1q   	x	x
☒ LTHEO2312	Familial Ethics	Dominique Jacquemin	30h	4 Credits	2q   	x	x
☒ LTHEO2430	Religions and gender	Walter Lesch	30h	3 Credits	1q   	x	x
☒ LTECO2201	Questions of religious sciences: biblical readings	Hans Ausloos	15h	2 Credits	2q   	x	x
☒ LTECO2202	Questions of religious sciences: reflections about christian faith	Benoît Bourgine	15h	2 Credits	1q   	x	x
☒ LTECO2203	Questions of religious sciences: questions about ethics	Serge Maucq	15h	2 Credits	2q   	x	x

☒ Stage pour la finalité spécialisée en diplomatie et résolution des conflits

De 5 à 10 crédits en accord avec le responsable académique du programme

☒ LSPRI9000	Stage I	N.			5 Credits		 
☒ LSPRI9001	Stage II	N.			10 Credits		 

