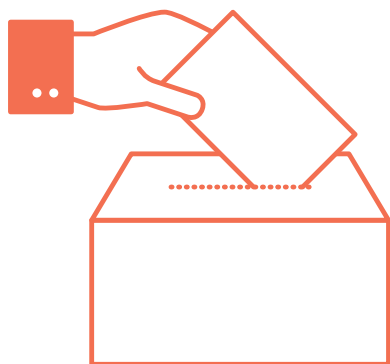


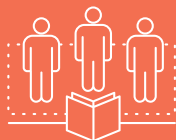


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**English-Taught  
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# ENGLISH-TAUGHT MASTER'S PROGRAMMES



We encourage professional independence and develop both education and research. Synergy is one of our key objectives.

**Andrei Melville**

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## About the Faculty

The Faculty of Social Sciences is one of the most multidisciplinary faculties at the Higher School of Economics. We offer cutting-edge instruction across the whole spectrum of social science disciplines for the researchers and professionals of today and tomorrow. The Faculty of Social Sciences comprises three Schools and numerous laboratories, research centers and institutes. This synergy of education and research in the sphere of social sciences is in line with international best practices for a modern research university.

In the key fields of sociology, political science, public administration, psychology and education, we offer a full range of degree programmes: right through from Bachelor's degrees to an internationally recognized Doctor of Philosophy (PhD). We also provide an array of more focused Master's programmes in education, demography, public policy and civil society, for those

interested in preparing for doctoral research or advanced training in their chosen professions.

We have been the first social science faculty in Russia to offer Master's degrees entirely in English, and today we offer 8 such programmes. Highly qualified international faculty members make a significant contribution to teaching and research excellence of the Faculty of Social Sciences. Our students may also benefit from rich academic mobility opportunities within Russia and abroad.

Our international partners include the University of Edinburgh (Scotland), Freie Universität Berlin and Universität Bayreuth (Germany), Charles University of Prague (Czech Republic), Sciences Po Toulouse, Science Po Lyon and EHESS (France), KU Leuven and University of Antwerp (Belgium), University of Tilburg (the Netherlands), University of Bologna and University of Torino (Italy), University of Lugano (Switzerland), University of Shanghai (China), George Mason University and University of Michigan (USA).

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# Faculty of Social Sciences in the World Rankings



Since 2015, HSE has appeared in the **QS – World University Rankings by Subject for Sociology**, rising from the 151-200 group to **51-100** over the last four years. Our university is currently the leader in this ranking among Russian academic institutions.



Since 2016, HSE has been included in the **QS – World University Rankings by Subject for Politics & International Studies**, placing in the **51-100** group in 2018.



In 2019, HSE University entered the **QS World University Rankings by Subject in Psychology**, placing in the **201-250** group. HSE is the highest ranking Russian university in this subject area.



Since 2017, HSE has been included in the **ShanghaiRanking's Global Ranking of Academic Subjects (ARWU)**, placing in the 51-75 group for Sociology and in **151-200** group for **Political Science**. HSE is currently the leader in this ranking among Russian universities.



Since 2017, HSE has been included in the **THE World University Rankings by Subject**, placing in the **126-150** group for **Social Sciences**.



Since 2017, HSE University has led Russian universities in the **U.S. News & World Report Best Global Universities by Subject in Social Sciences & Public Health**.



Master's Programme

## Applied Statistics with Network Analysis

Fee-paying  
places

**25**

Fee-paying places  
for international students

**5**



Field of Study: 01.04.02 – Applied Mathematics and Informatics



Duration: 2 years



Mode of study: Full-time programme



Diploma: Master in Applied Mathematics and Informatics



Language: English



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**Valentina Kuskova, PhD**

## About the Programme

Master's programme in Applied Statistics with Network Analysis, established by the International Laboratory for Applied Network Research, is designed for students who wish to enhance their statistical knowledge and credentials by obtaining a graduate degree in Applied Statistics, regardless of their primary field of study. Given the increased interest in networks in the past few years, this programme aims to fill the increased demand for data analysts with network analysis capabilities.

Graduate education in statistics is usually limited to mathematical courses, and, as a result, is not immediately applicable to fields such as Psychology, Sociology, Economics, Political Science, Public Policy and Public Administration, Education, Informatics, Biology, and many others. This programme provides an integrated approach to data analysis with applied focus.

It will help students with social sciences background to improve their quantitative skills and gain a deeper understanding of statistical processes. Those with strong mathematical background will learn how to formulate research questions and solve applied problems by relying on existing social theories.

All students will have an opportunity to intern at the International Laboratory for Applied Network Research and at our foreign partners' organizations. The programme is offered in English and targeted at both Russian and international students.

Faculty members are world-leading statisticians and experts in network analysis: Vladimir Batagelj, Anuška Ferligoj, Erik Štrumbelj and Janez Demšar from University of Ljubljana, Tamás Rudas from Loránd University, Herwig Friedl from Graz University of Technology. Programme Scientific Advisor: Stanley Wasserman (PhD in Statistics, Harvard) from Indiana University.



There are three main reasons why I chose the programme. First, the Mathematical tradition that Russia maintains. Second, the programme offers courses in Network Analysis. Third, HSE is well positioned in several rankings and the fees are affordable.

**Felipe Vaca Ramirez (Ecuador),**  
programme student

## What You Will Study

Students who graduate from the programme will learn to:

- Apply state-of-the-art data-analytic methods to real-life applied problems of all difficulty levels in management, sociology, financial sector, IT, medicine and other fields
- Choose an appropriate analytic method for a stated research problem
- Select and apply newest tools from network analysis to everyday analytical problems
- Incorporate complex questions and data into models and provide an integrated, theory-driven, and analytically sound answers to research questions
- Write code in the most common languages and use the newest statistical software for data analysis – R, Python, SAS, Lisrel, Stata, UCINET, Pajek, Pnet, etc.

## Programme Benefits

This programme is unique because it is the first programme in Russia to offer a comprehensive approach to data analysis in different areas. As part of the programme, students from different disciplines can come together to solve practical analytical problems. Those mathematically inclined gain an understanding of sociology and the object of research, while those with a background in the humanities will be able to build their skillset and gain a deeper understanding of statistical processes making up the data analysis that we teach. In addition, a special focus of the programme will be the analysis of social networks, a direction of data science that is becoming increasingly popular in foreign and Russian research practice.

Another important characteristic of the programme is its applied nature – students do not learn from abstract theoretical constructs, but



I enjoyed all the courses related to network analysis because they considered totally new concepts and tools for discovering knowledge through data analysis. In that courses I found how several branches of mathematics work together for modeling the reality: combinatorics, graph theory, probability, algebra and statistics doing a massive work for trying to catch a little bit of the complex systems.

**Paco Arevalo Reyes (Ecuador),**  
programme student

rather from dealing with specific applied research questions. Students will be able to apply their knowledge by solving practical problems, working at the International Laboratory for Applied Network Analysis, Russian analytical centers and commercial companies.

## Carrier Opportunities

Network analysts have recently become very demanded in different sectors of the labour market. The Master's Programme in Applied Statistics with Network Analysis offers the toolset required from data analysts by banks, insurance companies, IT- and telecommunication companies and many other firms.

The students are free to choose one of two career tracks – business-oriented or academic, and can shape

their study according to their career interests. Both tracks will provide specific internship opportunities aimed at helping the graduates of the programme to become more competitive in their field.

## Our Partners

- University of Ljubljana (Slovenia)
- Northwestern University (USA)

## How To Apply

Students are selected on the basis of their portfolio. Tuition discounts are available to best students.

### More information -

[www.hse.ru/ma/sna/requirements/](http://www.hse.ru/ma/sna/requirements/),  
**for international students -**  
[www.hse.ru/en/ma/sna/requirements](http://www.hse.ru/en/ma/sna/requirements)



Master's Programme

# Cognitive Sciences and Technologies: From Neuron to Cognition

Fee-paying  
places

**10**

Fee-paying places  
for international students

**10**



Field of Study: 37.04.01 – Psychology



Duration: 2 years



Mode of study: Full-time programme



Diploma: Master in Psychology



Language: English



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Academic Supervisor

**Oksana Zinchenko, PhD**

## About the Programme

Our programme addresses cognitive psychology, cognitive neuroscience and computational modeling. Students attend lectures in English and practice in leading laboratories of Moscow and our international partners. Leading scientists supervise students' practical training and Master's thesis during second year.

**Cognitive Psychology.** Modern cognitive psychology is an experimental discipline that studies the origins and functioning of the brain, mind, and intelligence. Our programme is focused on mechanisms of percep-

tion, control of attention and motor responses, formation of mental representations, dynamics of memory retrieval, learning, cognitive development and cognitive breakdown, mechanisms of reasoning, language, and problem solving.

**Cognitive Neuroscience.** Recent developments in brain imaging technology allow cognitive neuroscientists to observe a living human brain at work using state-of-the-art methods like functional magnetic resonance imaging (fMRI), magneto- and electroencephalography (MEG, EEG), near-infrared spectroscopy (NIRS), and other.



I chose HSE because of the broad international aspect and I chose the programme Cognitive Sciences and Technologies: From Neuron to Cognition due to its teachings in multiple fields such as Maths, Programming and Neuroscience. My interests are in Neuroscience and behavioral psychology. As for me life in Moscow is great, unique to most cities in the world but familiar at the same time.

**Alexander Burnip (UK),**  
programme student

## Ha What You Will Study

The Master's programme covers a wide range of cognitive psychology and cognitive neuroscience disciplines. Education starts with introductory courses of psychology, mathematics and neuroscience. Programme offers such disciplines as "Visual perception and attention", "Emotion and cognition", and "Memory, learning and cognitive development". Students are also offered to study cognitive neuroscience disciplines such as "Introduction to neuroimaging techniques", "Behavioral genetics and neurogenetics", "Computational neuroscience". In addition, many optional courses are available, for example, "Neuroeconomics" and "Molecular mechanisms on the brain".

## Our Facilities

- **Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation (TMS)** uses electromagnetic induction to induce weak electric currents using rapidly changing magnetic field; this can modulate activity in particular parts of the brain with minimal discomfort, allowing inferences about brain's functioning and interconnections.
- **Eye-tracking** is the process of measuring either the point of gaze or the motion of an eye relative to the head. Eye-tracking has a multiuse potential in many research areas, e.g. visual perception, cognitive linguistics, product design and many more.
- **Multichannel electroencephalography (mEEG)** non-invasively measures electrical activity of the brain with an ultra-fine millisecond temporal

resolution using electrodes placed on the surface of the scalp. Combined with the brain navigation, a 128-electrode array helps to improve EEG spatial resolution and SNR as compared with traditional 10-20 system.

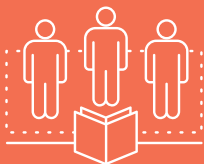
- **Magnetoencephalography (MEG)** is a superconductivity-based technique developed for functional human brain mapping. Having superior spatial resolution, as compared to EEG, MEG records magnetic fields produced by electrical currents in the brain using very sensitive magnetometers. We use Elekta Neuromag 306-channel system of MSUPE to localize sources of the brain activity induced and/or evoked in cognitive tasks.

## Our Partners

- Institute of Cognitive neuroscience, Higher School of Economics, Moscow
- MEG Center for Neurocognitive Research, Moscow Psychological and Pedagogical State University (MSUPE), Moscow
- Laboratoire de Neurosciences Cognitives, École Normale Supérieure, Département d'Études, Paris, France
- Center for Functionally Integrative Neuroscience, Aarhus University, Aarhus, Denmark

## How To Apply

- There is the portfolio competition.
- Create a Profile on HSE's site.
- Fill out the form and upload portfolio documents:
  - Scan of the first page of your passport
  - Summary of your undergraduate thesis OR project proposal
  - Scan of your diplomas and academic transcripts (if you have not yet received your Bachelor's diploma, please include an official copy of your most recent academic transcript)
  - Letter of motivation
  - Resume/CV (including information about your education, professional, and research experience, as well as language proficiency and other skills)
  - Exam results confirming language proficiency
  - Two letters of recommendations.
- After your application has been submitted, you may be contacted by a programme professor about setting up an interview.
- Applicants must demonstrate English proficiency through standardized exams (TOEFL, IELTS, etc). Native English speakers are exempt.



Master's Programme

## Applied Social Psychology

Fee-paying  
places

**5**

Fee-paying places  
for international students

**11**



Field of Study: 37.04.01 – Psychology



Duration: 2 years



Mode of study: Full-time programme



Diploma: Master in Psychology



Language: English



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Academic Supervisor

**Alexander Tatarko**

## About the Programme

Taught jointly by HSE University and Tilburg University (the Netherlands), this English-taught double-degree programme explores different fields within social psychology, cross-cultural psychology, economic psychology, and work and organizational psychology. Applied social psychology trains students both in theoretical and applied social psychology, preparing them for careers in academia or in governmental and business sectors.

### **The programme has the following highlights:**

- Students are expected to independently select courses within 4 areas (social psychology, cross-cultural psychology, economic psychology, organizational psychology) that best align with their interests and career goals.
- Students can enroll in a double-degree track which will enable them to receive a degree from Tilburg University (the Netherlands) in addition to a degree from HSE University.

- Guest lecturers on the programme are leading social psychology scholars (Klaus Boehnke, John Berry, Michael Bender, Eugene Tartakovsky, Ilja van Beest, Marta Fulop, Marcel Zeelenberg).
- All courses on the programme are in English.

## What You Will Study

Applied Social Psychology prepares students for future careers both in academia (PhD, research track, teaching) and business (HR, marketing studies, personnel consulting).

Research skills: students are going to develop research tools and to conduct research in the field of socio-psychological, cross-cultural, organizational, and economics psychology.

Practical skills: counseling and mediation in resolving intercultural conflicts, facilitating the cultural adaptation of immigrants and expats, working as an organizational psychologist and HR-consultant in international corporations, HR-consulting for businesses.

## Courses:

- Cross-cultural Psychology
- Theory and Methodology of Modern Psychology
- Environment Psychology
- Work and Organizational Psychology
- Qualitative and Quantitative Research Methods in Psychology
- Cross-cultural Psychology of Organizational Behavior
- Abnormal and Clinical Psychology: Social and Cultural Context
- Behavioral Economics
- Controversies in Psychology
- Social Psychology of Prejudice
- Social Cognition
- Cultural Drivers of Consumer Markets

## Our Partners

- University of Tilburg (the Netherlands) - our students, who are admitted to the double degree track, will spend the second year of studies at TiU. Moreover,

double degree students have the opportunity to get internships at research laboratories of other European universities or at international companies.

- International Association of Cross-Cultural Psychologists (IACCP) - most of the programme lecturers and instructors are members of the Association. Every two years they present their studies at the International Congress of the Association. Recently our students also got an opportunity to participate in events organized by the Association.

## How To Apply

Portfolio competition,  
online submission  
(documents in English) :

- Resume/CV
- Motivation letter
- Bachelor degree with academic transcript (any area)
- Summary of your undergraduate thesis OR a new research project
- Exam results confirming language proficiency
- Optional: publications, recommendations, certificates



As I love to have multicultural experiences, studying abroad was one of my biggest dreams. I chose a Master's programme at HSE, as it is among the top universities in various global rankings. I have always wanted to study Applied Social Psychology and Moscow is a perfect city for that - a city of controversies in regards to different issues and due to its history. I feel like I learned how the world works, how people used to think and behave and so many things that I have seen around the world make more sense to me now.

**Claudia Santoliva (Colombia)**



Master's Programme

## Population and Development

Fee-paying  
places

**5**

Fee-paying places  
for international students

**12**



Field of Study: 38.04.04 – Public Administration



Duration: 2 years



Mode of study: Full-time programme



Diploma: Master in Public Administration



Language: English



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Academic Supervisor

**Vladimir Kozlov**

## About the Programme

The main aim of the “Population and Development” programme is to train the specialists who will be ready for practical development problems solution.

The primary goal of this programme is to develop students’ skills in applying multi-disciplinary analytic approaches to population development and resource allocation issues, essential for public administration in numerous sectors.

The programme is for individuals with different backgrounds who want to understand the ways in which changes in development and population influence each other.

A strong theoretical background and the history of population development issues are provided together with up-to-date approaches to analyzing and projecting population structure and needs for resources.

## Programme Benefits

The main aim of the «Population and Development» programme is to train the specialists who will be ready for practical development problems solution. These challenges could be results of rapid changes in social and economic sphere or on the other hand be set by the public administration on different levels to prevent the negative consequences of population changes or to utilize the positive demographic impact.

The specialists graduated from our programme will have skills and knowledge in principals of population changes and social economic development. They will be able to use modern methods of data analysis and interpretation of the results. They will understand the capacities and limitations of the basic instruments of development and their practical usage.

## International Academic Mobility

The programme offers its best students an opportunity to participate in academic mobility programmes (academic exchange and internships) with the partner universities. For the examples please see section **Partners**

## Selected Programme Courses

### Bridging Courses:

Introduction to Statistics,  
Introduction to R

### Core courses:

Theory and Practice of Public Administration, Public Economics, Statistical analysis and statistical packages, Demography, Population change and economic development

### Elective Courses:

- Gender and Development;
- Migration and Development;
- Culture, Social Capital and Development Through History;
- Qualitative Methods;
- Health Systems and Health Policy: Comparative Analysis;
- Measurements of Poverty and Inequality;
- Education and Development; Humanitarian Actions; Big Data;
- Sustainable Development

### Course descriptions:

[www.hse.ru/en/ma/pd/courses](http://www.hse.ru/en/ma/pd/courses)

## Admission Requirements

Portfolio: the applicants need to submit the documents specified by the Admissions Rules (**[hse.ru/en/ma/pd/howtoapply](http://hse.ru/en/ma/pd/howtoapply)**): a motivation letter and CV, an academic diploma or transcript, a reference letter, a writing sample (preferably thesis or their final work for previous degree), publications and other relevant diplomas and certificates.

## Partners

- Università di Bologna, Italy
- The International University of Rabat, Morocco
- Institut national d'études démographiques, France
- Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research ,Germany
- Université catholique de Louvain: UCL, Belgium
- Università degli Studi di Napoli Federico II , Italy

## Career Opportunities

- Private companies (consulting, recruiting, marketing, insurance, pharmaceutical, and healthcare).
- Public administration work in government agencies and services at different levels.
- International funds and non-governmental organizations (UN, WHO, the World Bank etc.).
- Academic work at research centers and universities (starting with a PhD in a leading research centre).



I love my programme. In the Master of Population and Development, I feel like I learned how the world works, and so many things that I have seen around the world make more sense to me now. I also love our professors. They are passionate in what they do and they seem very hands-on and approachable making it easy to make connections with them.

**Patrick Whelan (Canada),**  
programme graduate



Master's Programme

## Comparative Social Research

Fee-paying places

5

Fee-paying places for international students

8



Field of Study: 39.04.01 – Sociology



Duration: 2 years



Mode of study: Full-time programme



Diploma: Master in Social Sciences



Language: English



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Academic Supervisor

**Christian Fröhlich**

## About the Programme

This programme provides students with an background in social science with the theoretical and methodological skills they need to investigate and analyze the similarities and differences among nations, cultures, and other social groups in order to understand how contemporary societies, social issues, and conflicts around the globe evolve. Our programme provides in-depth insights into how society is built and maintained, using either quantitative methodology for investigating norms and values, or qualitative methodology for accessing the individuals interpretations of their life-world.

## Programme Benefits

Students get to engage into a sociological environment currently ranked in the Top-100 in the world (QS), with lecturers and fellow students from all over the world. Our international faculty as well as Ronald Inglehart and the International Laboratory for Comparative Social Research at HSE offers our students the research environment for engaging into cross-cultural projects.

Beyond the classroom, our students conduct individually tailored research internships in either Russia or at one of our partner institutions aboard, e.g. at the University of Tilburg or the Centre for East-European and International Studies in Berlin. Moreover, we offer the opportunity to obtain a second MA degree in Germany or France through one of our **double degree tracks**.



The Master's programme offered me a great opportunity to get out of my comfort zone and learn something novel. The programme offered me a great chance to learn more about social research. The programme gave me the freedom to pursue research in my area of interest, which could help me to a great deal for my further studies. After one year in the programme, I am greatly impressed by the passion and zeal of the team to uplift the learning environment and to publicize its excellence.

**Karim Khan,**  
Pakistan

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## International Academic Mobility

The programme offers its best students an opportunity to participate in academic mobility with the

- Tilburg University (Germany),
- King's College, Russia Institute (UK),
- University of Tuebingen (Germany),
- University of Helsinki (Helsinki),
- New University of Lisbon (Lisbon, Portugal)
- and others.

## Selected Programme Courses

### **Core courses:**

Comparative Sociology, Quantitative Research Methods, Introduction into "R", Qualitative Research Methods, Multi-Level Regression Analysis, Introduction to Structural Equation Modeling

### **Elective courses:**

Measurement Theory and Questionnaire Design, Gender and Development, Social Network Analysis, Time in Social Sciences, Introduction in Big Data Analysis, Comparative Study of Religion, Field Methods in Anthropology, Comparative Public Policy Analysis



HSE has established a world-class MA programme in Comparative Social Research. Its major strength is how it synergizes dedication, skill and diversity among both its student body and faculty. This programme has created a real spirit.

**Prof. Dr. Christian Welzel,**

University of Lüneburg, Germany and Research Director of the HSE International Laboratory of Comparative Social Research

### Course

#### descriptions:

[www.hse.ru/en/ma/csr/](http://www.hse.ru/en/ma/csr/)

## Admission Requirements

### Portfolio:

the applicants need to submit the documents specified by the Admissions Rules ([www.hse.ru/en/ma/csr/app/portfolio](http://www.hse.ru/en/ma/csr/app/portfolio)): application, including CV, motivation letter, statement of research interests, two reference letters and evidence of English language skills.

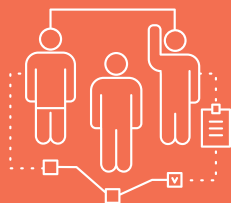
## Partners

- Freie Universität Berlin (Germany), Double Degree track
- School of Advanced Studies in the Social Sciences, EHESS (France), Double Degree track

- University of Tilburg (Netherlands)
- Laboratory for Comparative Social Research HSE

## Career Opportunities

Many of our graduates enter PhD programmes at HSE, in Europe or overseas. Our graduates are general experts in the field of applied empirical research, which equips them excellently to work in the spheres of consulting (McKinsey) and marketing (OMI, KantarTNS), but also for international organizations and companies, or in think tanks and other institutions providing research results for policy development, such as the UN, the World Bank, the OECD, etc.



Master's programme

## Political Analysis and Public Policy

Fee-paying  
places

**5**

Fee-paying places  
for international students

**25**



Field of study: 41.04.04 – Political Science



Duration of programme: 2 years



Mode of study: Full time programme

The classes are scheduled mostly from 6 PM  
(3 PM for the 1<sup>st</sup> year of studies) till 9 PM



Diploma: Master in Political Science



Language of Instruction: English



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Academic Supervisor

**Belyaeva Nina Y.**

## About the Programme

Contemporary Public Policy is the ongoing search for the answers to the most burning challenges of the society and collective decision-making for the purposes of public development.

The Master's Programme in Political Analysis and Public Policy targets the development of complex competencies related to:

- Conflict analysis and conflict resolution,
- Public policy agenda-setting, stakeholder analysis, and actor-centered approach to policy-making and implementation,
- Social research, data collection and analysis on public policy issues,
- Group work and leadership in dynamic environments.

Been taught in English programme unites students from all over the world. The professors also have very diverse professional experience representing the renowned

Russian and foreign universities like University of Bern (Switzerland), University of Cambridge, UK, Latrobe University, Australia, University of Toronto, Canada.

## Programme Benefits

- the programme combines the conceptual and evidence – based learning traditions of the American and European approaches to Public Policy, the teaching staff represents both Russian and foreign academic schools.
- we have has two equally important concentrations:
  - Public Policy Analysis, focusing on development of analytical competencies in various policy fields, and
  - Human Rights and Democratic Governance, providing opportunities for professional growth in the fields of development policies and human rights protection.



Public policy is designed and implemented by both governments and non-state actors, it serves public interests when becomes a matter not only of the state, but of the self-organized public. We look for MA students, who care about national and global social problems and have a passion to work on their solutions.

**Belyaeva Nina Y.,**  
Academic Supervisor

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## **International Academic Mobility**

The programme offers its best students an opportunity to participate in academic mobility programmes with the University of Bologna (Italy), Science Po Lyon (France) and other partner universities.

## **Selected Programme Courses**

### **Core courses:**

Foundations of Public Policy, Conflict Management, Modern Political Science, Methodology and Research

Methods of Political Science, Quantitative methods in social research, Foundations of Social Research: Qualitative and Mixed Methods, Human Rights in Globalizing World, Global Actors in Public Policy

### **Elective courses of Public Policy Analysis track:**

Global Political Economy, Comparative Public Policy Analysis, Social policy: foundations and implementation, Regulation and Reform: Analysis and Policy, Think Tanks as Policy Actors, Anti-Corruption Policy and Reforms, Education and Development, etc.



The Department of Public Policy from the start helps students to work out what they are going to research. The first word that comes to mind is 'possibility'.

There are really many possibilities here for Russians and for foreign students. The main thing is to want to make use of them.

**Indra Prasetya Adi Nugroho,**

Indonesian Ministry  
of Social Affairs

## Elective courses of Human Rights and Democratic Governance track:

Human Rights in Non-Western Societies, Minority Rights: comparative practices, Migration and Development, Freedom of Expression and Freedom of Assembly: Comparative Practices, Religion, Governance and Policy-Making, International Mechanisms of Human Rights Protection, Humanitarian Actions, etc.

### Course descriptions:

[hse.ru/en/ma/politanaliz/curriculum](http://hse.ru/en/ma/politanaliz/curriculum)

## Admission Requirements

### Portfolio:

the applicants need to submit the documents specified by the Admissions Rules ([www.hse.ru/en/ma/politanaliz/requirements](http://www.hse.ru/en/ma/politanaliz/requirements)): a motivation letter and CV, an academic diploma or transcript, a reference letter, a writing sample (preferably thesis or their final work for previous degree), publications and other relevant diplomas and certificates.

## Partners

- University of Bologna, Italy
- International University College of Turin, Italy
- University of Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina
- University of Lugano, Switzerland
- University of Turin, Italy
- Sciences Po Lyon, France

The Department and its professors are members of several international professional organizations:

- International Political Science Association (IPSA)
- European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR)
- International Comparative Policy Analysis Forum (ICPA-Forum)
- International Public Policy Association (IPPA)

## Career Opportunities

It is a practice-oriented programme developing the skills required to articulate issues of public concern, analyze alternative policies, facilitate the adoption and implementation of specific public choices, and evaluate their effects. The goal is to educate professional analysts capable to deal with complex public policy issues of the modern world.

Our graduates build analytical and managerial careers in:

- **National, Regional and Global Think Tanks:**  
Carnegie Centre (Moscow), Centre for Political Technologies, Institute of World Politics and International Relations (IMEMO), PIR Centre, Russian International Affairs Council (RIAC).

- **International Human Rights and Humanitarian Organizations:**

HR Watch, Doctors Without Borders, International Red Cross, Amnesty International, United Nation Commissioner for Human Rights (UNCHR).

- **Business Associations and Large Corporations:**

Moscow Chamber of Trade and Commerce, Business Russia, ROSATOM, Yandex, LUKOIL, Russian Railways Organization

- **National and International Governmental Agencies:**

British Council, UNESCO, UN, ILO, Ministry of Economic Development of RF, Ministry of Education of RF, Government of Moscow.





Master's Programme

## Politics. Economics. Philosophy

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Field of study: 41.04.04 – Political Science



Duration of programme: 2 year full-time curriculum



Mode of study: Full-time programme



Diploma: Master in Political Science



Language of Instruction: English



International accreditation ZEvA  
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**Mikhail Mironyuk**

## About the Programme

For many decades, the social sciences have rewarded narrow specializations in both topic and methodology, believing this to be the best way to achieve results. The established systems of higher education have also strongly supported this trend through the development of stand-alone departments. However, today, the task of addressing real-life economic, social, political and environmental problems and designing appropriate policy responses requires a combination of approaches and bodies of knowledge across different sciences and intellectual traditions. Real-world problems like climate change, pollution, crime and disease recognize no state borders, so the tradition of insulating disciplines, methodologies and geographic areas of expertise is harmful because it allows disciplinary biases and blind spots to obscure needed solutions. Faced with these challenges, academics, activists, and policymakers should build on a growing trend towards research and policymaking that promotes creativity and sustainability by explicitly working at the interdisciplinary crossroads of the social sciences and the humanities and within teams of open-minded individuals from diverse intellectual backgrounds.

The Master's Programme "Politics. Economics. Philosophy" offers training that cuts across three core disciplines in the social sciences and the humanities. Our programme combines the attention to modern problems and an emphasis on rigorous methods of research and evidence-based policy advice and expertise in Political Science and Economics, with sensitivity to normative and ethical issues required to implement policy in the real world that derives from Philosophy. In this respect the Master's Programme "Politics. Economics. Philosophy" follows in the traditions of the great thinkers of the past ("standing on the shoulders of giants") and the spirit and purpose of the Oxford-style Politics, Philosophy, and Economics programs to address the pressing issues of today.

The Master's Programme "Politics, Economics, Philosophy" encourages students to do research into the political, economic, and moral dimensions of real-life social problems of various origins and to integrate tools and insights from its three core disciplines with an eye on changing the world for the better.

## Entry Opportunities:

- through the HSE and Open Doors Olympiads for students and graduates (for the winners)
- through entry procedures including:
  - a pass/fail exam in English (or language proficiency certificate)
  - portfolio-based admission

## Selected Programme Courses

### Adaptation courses:

- Political Science ; Economics ; Mathematics ; Modern Philosophy

### Core courses:

- Modern Political Science ; Contemporary Economics ; Methodology and Research Methods of Political Science and Economics ; Intellectual History (Economic, Social and Political Thought) ; Data Analysis in the Social Sciences

### Elective courses in Economics:

- State and Economy ; Economics of Transition and Emerging Markets ; Comparative Economic Systems ; Culture, Social Capital and Development Through History

### Elective courses in Politics:

- Explaining Contemporary Russian Politics: Institutions and Practices ; (Dis)Order and Governance in the Global Age ; Ethnoconflictology ; Transformations of Post-Soviet Space: Politics, Societies, Economies

## Elective courses in Philosophy:

- Political Ethics and Social Justice ; Philosophy of New Social Movements ; Public Choice Theory

### Research Tools:

- Research Seminar ; Project Seminar

## Our Partners

- PPE Programme at Witten/Herdecke University, Germany
- Philosophy & Economics Programme at Bayreuth University, Germany

## Career Opportunities

The most immediate field to apply graduates' skills is that of political expertise and organization: analytical support of decision-making in governmental bodies, political parties, NGOs and business structures. Other options include think tanks and research centers, especially those focused on interdisciplinary problems of institutional reforms and social policy. The double and triple training of the graduates allows them to prepare and initiate strategic decisions and take leading functions in their implementation, thus claiming for key positions where joint competences from politics, economics and philosophy are most relevant. In addition, our graduates go on to prestigious PhD programs in major European and American universities.



Academics, activists, and policymakers need to rely on a comprehensive – multi- and interdisciplinary – understanding of current challenges in order to build resilient and truly sustainable societies. In doing so, they need to make use of a growing tradition of multi-disciplinary work, which has shown the ability to lead to significant breakthroughs at the interdisciplinary crossings of the social sciences and humanities and to help in designing successful social, political, and economic reforms with long-lasting effects within teams of open-minded individuals from diverse intellectual backgrounds.

**Mikhail Mironyuk,**  
Academic Supervisor



## Master's programme **Russian Studies**

### First intake – 2019

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Field of study: 41.04.04 – Political Science



Duration of programme: 2 years



Mode of study: Full-time programme

Full and partial tuition waivers available



Diploma: Master in Political Science



Language of Instruction: English



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## About the Programme

Russian Studies Master's programme offered by the Faculty of Social Sciences aspires to train students to work in Russia and with Russia by providing them with multifaceted theoretical and applied knowledge about today's Russia. It is designed for international students of all backgrounds and cultures as well as Russian students interested in understanding Russia in its complexity and diversity. It explores Russia in its current state and historical development primarily from the point of view of political science, sociology, economics, demographics and related disciplines. Within this interdisciplinary settings the Programme provides a marvelous opportunity for innovative scholarship: we teach by developing and debating thought provoking ideas, discovering unexpected challenges in the Russian politics, economics, business and society, and presenting creative and expertise-rooted vision on the "Russia's path" in the global world.

This programme is new and only had it first intake of students in 2019; but those students already describe their experience as incredibly satisfying, pointing out the quality of teaching, the variety of topics and perspectives, and the richness of the material. Renowned academics from all over the world also already point out the promise and necessity of this programme in the modern world. They emphasize the need of studying Russia for its role in the current global situation, and the demand for such expertise in the future.

## Programme Benefits

Our approach to studying Russia is academically comprehensive but practically oriented. Programme centers comparative approach, working with inter-regional trends such as life and politics of post-Soviet countries, and so-called East and West, and global trends.

Studying in Russia's capital at the country's leading university provides an opportunity not just for scientific studies but also for diverse personal experience of Russian reality.

Seminars and lectures are delivered by award-winning faculty members, renowned visiting professors from Russia and abroad, and experts and practitioners from the government agencies, business companies and NGOs who have a record of advising government agencies, doing electoral campaigns, elaborating development strategies for regional and municipal governments. They know Russia first-hand. This team will transfer their knowledge of Russian politics and society to anyone aspiring to work IN Russia or WITH Russia.

## What You Will Study

The Russian Studies programme offers courses from many disciplines, and our students can choose the curriculum suited to their academic interests. Political

science serves as the core of the programme, so the students receive a strong background in this particular discipline, but they have many opportunities to augment it with other disciplinary approaches of their choosing.

The programme has partnerships with a number of universities, research centres and laboratories in Russia and abroad; during their studies, our students have opportunities to join the research teams and work with renowned specialists in Russia and abroad, developing their professional skillset and establishing themselves in the field.

**Courses:** [www.hse.ru/en/ma/rs/courses](http://www.hse.ru/en/ma/rs/courses)

## Career Opportunities

Russian Studies MA Programme prepares specialists with the regional focus on Russia who possess a variety of research, analytical, and writing skills to enter the job market or advanced degree programs (including PhD programs) in Russia or abroad with a competitive advantage. Diploma of the university ranked among the top 100 universities in the 'Politics and International Studies' category in the QS World University Rankings by Subject increases their employment prospects. Such experts are in high demand in a wide range of fields such as:

- International businesses in diverse economy and financial sectors active in Russia;
- International consulting and audit companies;
- International organizations of the UN family;
- Politics and diplomacy;
- NGOs and non-profits;
- Travel agencies, interpretation and translation services;
- Mass media and communication companies;
- Academia, research and reaching

## How to Apply

Portfolio submission online and an interview:

- Academic essay
- Letter of motivation
- Letter(s) of recommendation
- Resume/CV
- Diplomas and transcripts
- Proof of English proficiency (for non-native speakers)

### Optionally:

- Published papers
- Other achievements (awards, grants, etc.)





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