

Mundus
Journalism

Erasmus Mundus Masters
**Journalism, Media and
Globalisation**

Key facts

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Consortium Partners

- Aarhus University (Coordinating University)/
Danish School of Journalism, DK
- City University, London, GB
- University of Amsterdam, NL
- University of Hamburg, GER
- University of Swansea, GB

and three Non-EU partners

Short description of the MA programme:

- A two-year course jointly designed and implemented by a consortium of 5 North-European Universities (120 ECTS)
- **Double degree** awarded by two universities
- A research oriented programme targeted towards applicants with experiences in journalism
- Mobility track: 1st year in Aarhus, DK;
2nd year at another EU partner

Structure of partnership

Basis of the cooperation:

- a) factual: Memorandum of agreement
- b) soft factor: trust

Governing body: Board of Studies made up of

- a) two representatives of each of the EU Universities
- b) one representative of the Non-EU partners
- c) 3 student's representatives

plus Committees on selection/admission of students, quality assurance, joint degree etc.

STRUCTURE OF THE PROGRAMME

Year 1

Semester 1 – 30 ECTS	Module 1	Module 2	Module 3
<i>Focus on Globalisation</i>	Globalisation: Reporting Global Change	Globalisation and the Transformation of the State	Globalisation, Culture, and the roles of the media
Modules of 10 ECTS	Jointly offered by partner universities	Aarhus University/ Danish School of Journalism	Aarhus University/ Danish School of Journalism

STRUCTURE OF THE PROGRAMME

Year 1

Semester 2 – 30 ECTS	Module 1	Module 2	Module 3
<i>Focus on Methodology</i> Modules of 10 ECTS	Social Science Methods for journalists Aarhus University/ Danish School of Journalism	Researching Journalism Aarhus University/ Danish School of Journalism <i>University of California, Berkeley University of Technology Sydney Universidad Pontificia Católica de Chile</i>	Analytical Journalism University/ Danish School of Journalism <i>University of California, Berkeley University of Technology Sydney Universidad Pontificia Católica de Chile</i>

Structure of the programme

Year 2

Semester 3 – 30 ECTS	Specialism	Specialism	Specialism	Specialism
<i>Focus on specialised subject</i>	Amsterdam University Communicating Europe: Media and Politics	City University, London Business & Finance	University of Hamburg Media and Journalism: Comparative and Trans-cultural Approaches	Swansea University War & Conflict

Semester 4 - 30 ECTS: Thesis supervision at specialism university

Pre-Conditions

Before the current accreditation process:

- Great Britain: accredited within a very different QA system
- Denmark: accredited
- Germany: Able to provide a degree but no accreditation
- NL: No accreditation, no degree

Partners needing accreditation

2nd year

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Semester 4 - 30 ECTS: Masterarbeit an der specialism university

Reasons for doing a joint accreditation

- shared costs
- One process/ one site visit: not two national but just one bi-national accreditation
- Discussion of coherence of the whole programme possible not just focus on a national part offered at either UvA or UHH
- AND – hopefully – easier recognition of the degree in student's home countries

Experiences - Effort involved

- Compared to the German and Dutch process: no big differences and not that more effort
- Doing a joint accreditation is similar to running a joint programme – a challenge anyway
=> How to explain established procedures based on trust?
- If there is an Erasmus Mundus application – much of the data needed is already collected

Thank you for your attention !!

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