

Information about the study programme

The Master's degree programme (MA) in Human Geography offers the student a broad theoretical and methodological competence, disciplinary specialization as well as applied knowledge related to specific research problems.

The programme consists of a compulsory introduction to the philosophical traditions of the discipline, training in methods (qualitative, quantitative and/or geographical information systems), elective thematic courses and a Master's thesis. The elective module offers either a general study in Human Geography or specialization within one of four areas: urban studies and planning, climate change adaptation and transformation, development and politics, and economic and labour geography.

An MA in Human Geography trains students to understand the spatial connections and complexities of the social world. Students develop analytical capabilities to examine relationship between local processes and conditions and those at the national and global scale. Through producing a Master's thesis, the student is responsible for an independent piece of academic research: formulating research questions based in a relevant theoretical context, making methodological choices, collecting and analyzing data through appropriate tools and presenting research findings in written text and in an oral examination. The Master's degree programme functions as a qualification for a PhD in Human Geography.