

Information about the study programme

The Master's degree programme (MA) in Human Geography offers the student a broad theoretical and methodological competence in human geography, specialised knowledge within selected geographical orientations 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 method specialisations (qualitative, quantitative and/or geographical information systems), elective thematic courses and a master's thesis. The elective module allows for specialization within one of four areas: urban studies, climate change adaptation, development and politics, and economic and labour geography.

An MA in Human Geography develops critical thinking where students are trained to understand the geographical complexities of the social world, and 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 a research questions based in a relevant theoretical context, making methodological choices, collecting and analysing 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.