

# POSTGRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN EU POLICY MAKING

25 ECTS

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developing online learning  
methods'\*

5 ONLINE EU MODULES & A WINTER OR SUMMER SCHOOL



## The programme in a nutshell:

- 5 back-to-back online EU modules (starting September), followed (or preceded) by a 2-week Winter (February) or Summer (July) School
- You choose your start date (July or September) and duration (1 or 2 years)
- Perfect for full-time professionals or students with daytime schedule
- Organised by a Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence at the Vrije Universiteit Brussel, on the doorstep of the main EU institutions

## What you will get out of it:

- Broadened expertise on the functioning of the EU, its intricate decision-making process and the roles of various actors involved
- Insider knowledge on the focus area of the Winter or Summer School
- 2 exciting weeks of intensive learning with students from all over the world, either online (Winter School) or in 2 prime European cities (Summer School)
- Close connections with other students and professors, a network to boost your career



'The human aspect of the programme really impressed me. Even though the classes were online, there were many occasions to interact with fellow students and the lecturers were understanding when other responsibilities took precedence. The cherry on top is definitely the summer school where we had the chance to meet each other, to share our knowledge and experiences as well as to network.'

- Evelyne Beaupain, 2019 student

\*Government audit report (2016)

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## Who can apply?

To qualify for admission you need to have:

- a university degree equivalent to an Undergraduate degree in Social, Economic or Political Sciences, Business, Law and/ or Contemporary History consisting of a programme of at least 180 ECTS, or relevant work experience
- proven proficiency in English (see programme website for details)

## What does it cost?

For updated tuition fees and study costs please check our website [www.eu-postgraduate.eu](http://www.eu-postgraduate.eu).

The Programme offers a very limited number of scholarships, that take the form of partial tuition fee waivers. These waivers are awarded on the basis of a separate request, submitted as a part of your application. They are awarded upon an assessment of merit and demonstrable need.

## What can you study?

The inter-university Summer School (5 ECTS) takes place in Brussels (week 1) and Vienna (week 2), every year in July. Its Winter School counterpart takes place online, every year in February. In this Postgraduate Certificate, students combine either the Winter or Summer School with 5 online EU modules that focus on the topics below. For these online EU modules, students should envisage an average time commitment of up to 10-12 hours per week.



HISTORY AND THEORIES OF EUROPEAN INTEGRATION

1<sup>st</sup> term, Sept - Dec, 4 ECTS



EU INSTITUTIONS

1<sup>st</sup> term, Sept - Dec, 4 ECTS



EU DECISION-MAKING AND LAW

2<sup>nd</sup> term, Feb - Apr, 4 ECTS



EU PUBLIC POLICY ANALYSIS

2<sup>nd</sup> term, Feb - Apr, 4 ECTS



EU FOREIGN AFFAIRS

2<sup>nd</sup> term, Feb - Apr, 4 ECTS

Furthermore, the following elective courses are available:

- EU JUSTICE AND HOME AFFAIRS
- TERRORISM AND COUNTER-TERRORISM IN EUROPE

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*May 2016 accreditation report by Flemish educational authorities*

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