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УНИВЕРЗИТЕТ НА ЈУГОИСТОЧНА ЕВРОПА
SOUTH EAST EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY

Study program	International Relations and Diplomacy (2021/2022)
Faculty	Contemporary Social Sciences
Study Cycle	Second Cycle (Postgraduate)
ECTS	60
Code	IRD60
Title	Master in International Relations and Diplomacy
Accreditation date	27.10.2021

Description of the program

Through the study programme International Relations and Diplomacy students gain skills and knowledge in the field of international relations, diplomacy and political sciences. Students gain managerial, advisory, political, analytical and legal skills and knowledge which can be applied to work in intitutions and organizations in the field of international relations, diplomatic missions as well as to works in multinational companies and organizations. At the same time, the study programme coincides with the labour market. As such, it makes an important contribution to training students to build a professional career through the acquisition of higher education qualifications in the line with the needs of the labour market.

Career

Studies in International Relations and Diplomacy enable the fulfilment of educational needs to support students to start their professional careers in state, diplomatic, public, non-profit organizations, international government and non- governmental institutions and organizations, as well as educational institutions.

Learning outcomes

Knowledge and understanding

Has deep knowledge and competent understanding of theories in the field of diplomacy.
Has specific knowledge of negotiation, mediation and other ways of resolving conflicts.
Has some knowledge of the role of international organizations in diplomacy.
Has knowledge and clearly understands the foreign policy and key actors (state and non- state) who make up the dynamic network of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Applying knowledge and understanding

Successfully can engage in small diplomatic tasks, work in diplomatic missions or foreign affairs departments within various ministries and be a member of international trade organizations and other institutions.
Can work as a member of the team for the development of negotiating positions on international legal issues.
Can interpret theoretical perspective in international relations in certain cases.
Decsribes the role of diplomacy in world politics.

Making judgement

Judges current diplomacy and the processes at the international level.
Evaluates articles of varying complexity on international topics.
Has the ability to interpret relevant data for trials which are a reflection of relevant diplomatic issues.
Can think critically and give critical views to diplomatic organizations such as the foreign ministry and the work of diplomatic missions.

Communication skills

Can write letters in the framework of appropriate diplomatic communication.
Can write and present scientific papers and prepare research projects in the field of diplomacy.
Can present to the audience forms of solving specific problems in international relations and diplomacy.

Learning skills

Enhances knowledge by working in diplomatic legations.
Is able to identify personal needs for further knowledge and proceed with indivudual learning for global issues.
Is able to take and apply a new transparent way in Macedonian diplomacy in order to realize the country's Euro- Atlantic perspective.

List of courses

Semester 1

- [MCDP1010] [6.0 ECTS] **Research Methodology**
- [CM149] [6.0 ECTS] **Globalisation and Governance**
- [MCPA3040] [6.0 ECTS] **Political Management**
- [MCDP1030] [6.0 ECTS] **History of Diplomacy**
- [6.0 ECTS] **General elective course**

Semester 2

- [MCPA4010] [30.0 ECTS] **Master Thesis**

Description of courses

Core courses

- **Research Methodology**
  This course is designed for students who are preparing the Master thesis. The main objectives of the course is for students to be offered tools for the construction of their thesis regarding the research question and creating methods for collecting data through qualitative and quantitative analysis. The subject is focused on problems of quantitative methods and techniques such as statistical analysis, texts related to the theory and testing hypothesis. In addition, topics of descriptive and causal inference are of significance, longitudinal, comparative and research case studies. Advanced information is offered for collecting data working with text. The aim is analyzing the data qualitatively, finally putting all theoretical and practical actions in the design and writing the thesis.

- **Globalisation and Governance**
  Objectives of the programme: To develop student's analytical framework and historical context to understand globalization and management, their basic concepts, key political institutions and political dynamics. To enable students to debate on global politics. To develop student's ability to understand the choices of opposing policies in relation to globalization. To understand how globalization and the global economic crisis affect the competitiveness of our country's positions and the inequalities in your society. To generate the student's research skills for the new social phenomena of the century and to explore the creative ways to deal with them. To generate a sense of research, to gain written and oral communication skills related to globalization and management.

- **Political Management**

Main objectives of the course: - To gain basic knowledge of the term policy and management - To be familiar with basic tools and activities in order to to distinguish the political processes under different criteria. - To gain adequate knowledge for preparation of a survey and field working. - Application of knowledge gained from other objects and building a particular methodology for the preparation of essays-paper work. - To analyze the electoral process and the method of execution. - To prepare a political speech and to simulate the appearance of a political event. - Ability to actively participate in a debate organized by the Student Union. - Ability to prepare and participate in research project, and present the results of scientific research. - To determine different ways and use of scientific sources, to study and read selectively and comparatively to analyze political processes.

- **History of Diplomacy**
  Through this course students will gain theoretical and methodological skills for understanding of diplomacy and diplomatic relations from historical and current perspectives. Students will be eligible for an independent and detailed scientific research work in the broadest sense of diplomacy, which would allow transmission of theoretical, scientific and research findings (knowledge) and knowledge in social practice.

- **Master Thesis**
  This module enables students to transfer their skills and knowledge to research and carry out more complex tasks related to their master thesis. The module is designed to be fully practical and students to acquire the necessary knowledge and skills to approach writing the thesis. The module has unique return result-to enable students to write the master thesis with minimal difficulties, and with maximum efficiency. The course aims to improve research techniques and style of writing the paper, taking into account the prevention of the usage of illegal means, such as plagiarism and infringement of copyright, which are prohibited by the Statute of SEEU.

Elective courses

- **Comparative Political and Administrative Systems**
  The course aims to familiarize students with knowledge about most political systems in the modern world, of course without leaving aside the political systems of countries surrounding RNM and political systems of less developed countries around the world. In the content of the whole course, parallels and comparative analyses are made between the functioning of the institutions of political systems in countries of interest, both among themselves and in the case of the political system of the RNM in terms of finding good practices with which this system would be upgraded to RNM.

- **European Union: Institutions, Politics and Law**
  The course aims to familiarize students with the complexity and development of European integration, and thus the development of the institutions (political and legal), their nature and characteristics, legislation and policies. Furthermore, the aim is to familiarize students with major theoretical interpretations of the development of the European Union, and to give consideration to current and possible future challenges that the EU faces, especially in terms of its institutions, policies and law.

- **Foreign Policy Analysis**
  The theoretical part of the contents of this course will focus on the ways and the means of communication between states, media influence on public opinion and foreign policy in creating of influence on various internal and external stakeholders in focusing on certain foreign policy issues. The practical part will focus on analysis, open discussions and forecasts for specific events that are under development.

- **Leadership and Organizational Development**
  The subject aims to enable students to learn how leaders and managers develop and implement the achievement of the mission and vision of an organization in the public sector; to develop values required for long-term success and their application through appropriate activities and habits, as leaders and managers are personally involved in ensuring that management systems of the organization will be developed and implemented. Also about the way how the organization implements its mission and vision through a clear strategy based on the views of all interested parties, supported by all relevant policies, plans, goals and processes.

- **International Political Economy**
  The course focuses on the political principles and consequences of the contemporary world economy. Some basic economic concepts are elaborated. The course will examine the evolution of the world economic system from World War II with an emphasis on current problems, debates and questions, analyze local and international explanations for

these events and illustrate the different power of different explanatory approach and with their application in solving empirical cases.

- **Negotiations and Conflict Resolution**
  The course examines judicial and a non-court procedures for resolving disputes between states. Analysis includes the role of negotiations, mediation, reconciliation and the role of the United Nations for the peaceful resolutions of international disputes. This course examines the system of international arbitration: ad-hoc and within the already established tribunals as Iran-USA Claims Tribunal and ICSID. Studies will include practices and procedures of the International Court of Justice in both capacities as a mechanism for resolving international disputes on human rights, commercial law and maritime law.

- **Sustainable Development**
  In this course, students will gain a general knowledge that refers to Sustainable Development as a new concept imposed on the global scene that could present a stop on the planet Earth. Students will be provided with a knowledge about the concept of Sustainable Development, the superior understanding and concept for sustainable development, global environmental change, understanding of the principles and dimensions of sustainability, will be able to become familiar with the policies of the European Union around sustainable development and will understand how it is created in the case of Macedonia's practice as policies of this category. The knowledge gained in this subject will greatly help to strengthen the knowledge and general knowledge of sustainable development at the international level at the level of the European Union and its member countries as well as in the RNM.

- **International Business**
  Through this course students will gain knowledge about international business. Thus, students will realize the difference between theory and practice in international business, the role of international banking transactions, the way of their implementation, they will gain knowledge on bank guarantees and letters of credit EUROLIBO and codes used when doing transactions.

- **Contemporary Political Systems**
  The course objectives: - To introduce students to the political systems in terms of their concept, characteristics and historical development; - To provide students with basic knowledge of theories and concepts of key political systems; - To teach students the basic concepts of classification of political systems; - Students to able to recognize the specifics of certain political systems.

- **Diplomatic Protocol**
  Within the course, students will have the opportunity to learn about key features of the development of diplomatic protocol throughout history. Particular attention will be paid to the virtues of modern diplomatic protocol and as a result the practice of many developed countries in this field will be considered and practices of diplomatic protocol in the framework of international organizations.