Since 1999, the Master in European Studies Program has been preparing students for leadership roles in the private and public sector.

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The International Graduate Center (IGC) was founded by Hochschule Bremen City University of Applied Sciences as an interdisciplinary Graduate School for Management and Leadership.

For applicants with a first university degree IGC offers several MBA and Master degrees in the area of international and European business and management. The IGC guarantees a postgraduate education which satisfies both academic and job requirements in equal measure. With six fulltime and three part-time master programs IGC is one of the largest providers of continuing education on master’s level in Germany.

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STUDENTS NATIONALITIES
WOMEN

IGC – STUDY IN THE HEART OF BREMEN

The IGC is dedicated to a practice- and application-oriented study approach, a truly international and intercultural orientation as well as an ongoing dialogue between academia and business practice. With all this the IGC is a reliable partner for the academic training of leadership personnel and managers.

WELCOME

Full-time MBA 100% in English

With Europe integrating at accelerated speed, in spite of some setbacks, it has become increasingly important for graduates from Europe and from outside alikes to develop an in-depth understanding of the central economic, political and administrative issues of the European Union at all levels, and to acquire the skills and tools to work with, or within, European institutions.

The degree program has been running successfully since 1999 and offers places for up to 25 participants. It is designed to provide an interdisciplinary education and training experience for tomorrow’s leaders and managers of European affairs in the public and private sectors, as well as for their counterparts in countries outside the EU. Our objective is to prepare students for European leadership roles in the private and public sectors.

The program aims to provide a comprehensive and up-to-date study of economic and political dynamics in Europe, as well as their legal background. Studies in European private and public management, in European economics, law and policy making, an intensive seminar in Brussels plus a period of practical training offer an ideal combination of theoretical knowledge, management and/or public sector training, practical skills and international expertise.

The MES faculty is composed of international and national university lecturers and EU practitioners. Emphasis is laid on an interdisciplinary approach to teaching and learning, group work, discussions and a lively exchange between participants.

Due to the international set-up of the program, students need to cope with the cultural and personal differences that arise in a multicultural setting, familiarizing themselves with working across cultures and working in international teams.

OUR PROFILE FOCUS:
SUSTAINABILITY & SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

A strong commitment to sustainable management education and to ethical behaviour in business is a key feature of IGC, with sustainability and social responsibility at the core of our value orientation. This is reflected in our expectation of every member of the school to respect our core values, in the demands we set ourselves on resource-efficient and sustainable management, and in the design of our curricula.

IGC has become a member of network associations in the field of management development to further develop its profile focus and its quality system.

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QUALITY

HSB City University of Applied Sciences has already received several prestigious awards for the quality of its international and practice-oriented teaching. Accordingly, we have committed ourselves to a high quality standard. Our Master in European Studies holds national accreditation by ZEnA and AQAS. ZEnA and AQAS are independent, non-governmental accreditation agencies in Germany, which assess and approve of various aspects of the program, such as study plans and organization, academic and teaching quality, relations to practice and internationalization.

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As of February 2020
Our Master in European Studies program helps you to understand the European Union and to work within it or with it. With this in-depth understanding of the central economic, political and administrative issues at all levels you are well equipped to take on a leadership role and to contribute to change and development within the EU:

**INTERNATIONAL NETWORK**

International friendships forged at the IGC often endure decades after graduation, serving as a valuable resource for developing your career. Our program coordinates the European TAURUS network – created to encourage interaction between a variety of European master programs and helping to develop a European perspective on public and private sector management and encourages student exchange.

**BUSINESS & EUROPEAN EXPERTISE**

Based on the highest scholarly standards, we deliver opportunities to develop a European perspective and broaden your knowledge and skills in significant aspects of European economics, policy making, law and management. Due to the demanding time frame high academic standards and a very diligent work schedule are required.

**ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

For admission to the program we require the following qualification and documentation:

- Bachelor’s degree in Political Science, Law, Management, Economics, Business Studies, Global Management (or related; depending on content)
- Preferably one year of work experience (proof/employer’s certificate)
- Essay demonstrating motivation for the program and career goals
- Letter of recommendation from an employer / university teacher
- Curriculum vitae
- Proof of the applicant’s university degree
- For non-native speakers: proof of English proficiency with TOEFL (Test of English as a foreign Language) 80 IBT (“Internet-based”) or IELTS (International Language Testing System) B1 or B2 (Common European Framework of Reference for Languages) B2
- Passport photograph
- Copies of either birth certificate or passport

**INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ASSISTANCE (ISA)**

Living and studying in another country is both exciting and interesting. At the same time it means a lot of organizational and administrative work. When you come to study at the IGC you do not need to worry about this. Our ISA service will support and advise you from the beginning on. They will pick you up after arrival, help you in finding accommodation, extending your visa, opening a bank account and they offer cultural events excursions and parties.

**FACULTY AND RESEARCH AT IGC**

90% of faculty with international work/teaching experience

40% of teaching delivered by renowned experts from business practice

95% share of full-time faculty with a PhD degree

99 total number of faculty

Not only in student body, but also in academic staff IGC sets great store by internationality and professional diversity: About 90% of the lecturers have international work and/or teaching experience, making an important contribution to sharing the intercultural skills of the students. Furthermore, we are part of an active network to encourage interaction between a variety of European master programs.

Members include:

- The University of Latvia – Riga, Latvia
- The Hanze University – Groningen, NL
- Sheffield Hallam University – UK
- Metropolitan University Prague – CZ
- University of Gdańsk – Poland
- Manipal Centre for European Studies, Manipal University – India
- Sichuan University – China

**ALUMNI CAREER**

80% found a new job within 6 months of graduation

67% improved professionally immediately after graduation

86% actively use the alumni network

92% would recommend to study at IGC

The program provides practice-oriented postgraduate education with an international emphasis and thus sound preparation for careers in European and international business, institutions and administrations, or for further European research. Graduates have a broad field of opportunities to choose from, including economic and legal advisor activities, positions in private and public management, lobbying activities, political offices and functions and in the diplomatic service. Students from outside the EU find excellent job opportunities worldwide with companies, banks and organizations cooperating with European partners, as well as in government and administration, in particular of accession states and states with specific agreement with the EU. Our career development program and courses in intercultural management, team building and personal skills prepare students for international careers. An introduction to German Nativy, economy and culture and a three-day visit to Berlin offer additional insights.

**ADMISSION DEADLINE**

Application deadline: please see our website

**ALUMNI NETWORK**

Actively use the alumni network

Recruit the next generation

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**CURRICULUM**

1st Semester

| Modul 1 | Institutions, Policy-Making and Regions in the EU |
| Modul 2 | EU Business Law |
| Modul 3 | European Economic Integration |
| Modul 4 | Management of Funds |

2nd Semester

| Modul 1 | The EU as a Global Player |
| Modul 2 | European Public and Private Management II |
| Modul 3 | European Public and Private Management I |

Master Thesis and Colloquium

**SHARE OF FACULTY WITH INTERNATIONAL WORK/TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**SHARE OF FULL-TIME FACULTY WITH A PHD DEGREE**

**TOTAL NUMBER OF FACULTY**

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Sana Arousse
Project Consultant for the Enterprise Europe Network Bremen at DD Die Denkfabrik GmbH, Bremen