SHAPE YOUR FUTURE
BASED ON YOUR RESEARCH INTERESTS

The Institute of European, Russian and Eurasian Studies (EURUS) is a leading international teaching and research program. EURUS offers a wide range of expertise focusing on Europe and European integration, Central and Southeast Europe, Russia, the Caucasus and Central Asia. We house a European Union Centre of Excellence, a major network in European studies and a Jean Monnet Chair in the EU’s Eastern Neighbourhood Relations. Our Magna Fund for Russian Studies funds a number of scholarly activities, including student language training and fieldwork. The Institute hosts unparalleled opportunities for scholarly research and interaction with government, non-governmental agencies and international partners.

The MA program in EURUS is interdisciplinary and research-based. Students benefit from small seminar formats, involvement in faculty research work and one-on-one supervision of their research projects; all of which facilitate a close working relationship between our students and faculty. Many students participate in exchange programs or research abroad in countries such as Italy, Germany, Poland, Russia, Georgia and Kyrgyzstan.

Some intriguing research projects that our students have worked on include:
- Policy responses to human trafficking in the European Union and their impact on victims
- Russian nationalism and Soviet identities during late Stalinism
- EU-Russia relations and the conflict over Ukraine
- The impact of the Euro Zone entrance on member states’ domestic policies
- Conceptualizing home: The displacement of the Meskhetian Turks in Georgia
- Limits of cultural policies: The case of art in Soviet and independent Uzbekistan

CAPITAL ADVANTAGE AND CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Ottawa is home to embassies, non-governmental organizations (NGOs), federal government departments and private corporations active within Europe, Russia and Eurasia. EURUS students have the opportunity to attend lectures, conferences and networking events featuring representatives from these agencies, as well as from leading research institutes in North America and Europe. Our location in the nation’s capital offers many career-building opportunities. Master’s students can choose from a course that offers an internship and career skills at a government department or NGO in Ottawa, as well as a co-operative education program that offers paid employment (subject to availability).

MA graduates are now employed in Foreign Affairs, National Defence and other government departments, international and non-governmental organizations, media outlets and private business. Many of these jobs are based in Ottawa, but our graduates also pursue successful careers in Europe, Russia, Central Asia and beyond. Some EURUS students continue to PhD programs in political science, history, sociology and economics. Others pursue advanced degrees in law, media, business and teaching.
ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Applicants for the master’s program will hold a four-year bachelor’s degree, or equivalent, with a B+ or higher in a humanities or social science discipline.
- Previous coursework in the European/Russian/Eurasian area and coursework or a reading knowledge of an appropriate European language.
- Applicants admitted without proficiency in an appropriate language will require additional language training beyond the normal MA program requirements.
- Applicants who have a three-year bachelor’s degree, or who lack sufficient area-studies or language training, may be admitted to a qualifying-year program to raise their status.

Specific program requirements can be found in the Graduate Calendar online at calendar.carleton.ca/grad.

APPLICATION AND DEADLINES

For more information, please visit: carleton.ca/eurus.

Details about how to apply are available at: graduate.carleton.ca/apply-online.

You can access the online application at: graduate.carleton.ca/applynow.

All applicants must submit their completed application by February 1 in order to be considered for funding.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

- Two letters of reference
- A one-page Statement of Intent
- Transcripts from all post-secondary institutions you have attended
- If applicable, a copy of your English-language test score

Note: Official documents (transcripts, test scores) will only be required if you are accepted into our program.

EURUS offers a co-op program, allowing students to gain applied knowledge and paid employment in a variety of governmental and non-governmental organizations.

LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

For admission into Carleton’s graduate programs, you will need to demonstrate that your knowledge and use of English are strong enough for graduate studies at an English-language university. For a listing of our minimum English-language requirements, please visit our website at graduate.carleton.ca/international.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Generous funding is available in the form of teaching/research assistantships and scholarships based on academic excellence. We encourage students to compete for scholarships from OGS and SSHRC.

Applicants who apply after the February 1 deadline may be considered for funding, if funding is still available. For additional information on scholarships, visit the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Affairs’ website at graduate.carleton.ca/financial-assistance.

Students accepted into the program will also have access to significant funding for research travel and language training, either through the Magna Fund for Russian Studies or research-travel grants administered by the Centre for European Studies. More information is available at carleton.ca/eurus.

Completing my MA at EURUS allowed me to pursue original research in a supportive and close-knit environment. During my degree, I conducted fieldwork in Finland and Estonia, pursued an internship at an NGO in Belgium, and developed valuable connections with potential employers both in Ottawa and Europe.

— Kim Howson, MA/11

EURUS students are smart, inquisitive and open-minded. In the MA program, they learn to examine Europe, Russia and Eurasia from interdisciplinary perspectives and acquire intercultural and research skills that are in high demand. We are proud of their success in academic, government and business fields.

— Achim Hurrelmann, Director, EURUS

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