

Master of Arts in Political Science, Schweizer Politik und Vergleichende Politic – Comparative and Swiss Politics

Study plan from 01.08.2010

Details of program

The program focuses on providing students with in-depth knowledge of Swiss politics, comparative politics and European politics. The program is offered in cooperation with the Institut d'Etudes Politiques et Internationales at the University of Lausanne. This means that students have the opportunity to earn a maximum of one-third (30 ECTS) of the credits they need in Lausanne. Multilingualism (D/F/E) is a central characteristic of the program. Students who complete the program are awarded the degree of Master of Arts in Political Science, Comparative and Swiss Politics, University of Bern. A total of 90 ECTS credits must be earned to complete the degree. This program leads to a so-called mono-master, which means no minor is required.

Scheme of program

Specialization

The program focuses on providing students with in-depth knowledge of comparative politics and the Swiss political system, the interaction between the political systems of the EU member states and the political system of the European Union, and the multilevel governance systems in the European Union and Switzerland. The program is offered in close cooperation with the Institut d'Etudes Politiques et Internationales at the University of Lausanne. This means that students have the opportunity to earn a maximum of one-third (30 ECTS) of the credits they need in Lausanne. Multilingualism (D/F/E) is a central characteristic of the program.

The following table provides an overview of all requirements.

Overview of the Master program in Comparative and Swiss Politics (major).

Course	ECTS credits
<i>Mandatory courses/requirements:</i>	
Seminar in social science research methods and tools	6
<i>Electives:</i>	
Seminars and lectures in Swiss, comparative and European politics	mind. 30
Seminars and lectures in political sociology, political communication and policy analysis	mind. 12
Lectures in the Institute of Political Science, master-level lectures in the Faculty of Business, Economics and Social Sciences, or an internship related to the social sciences	mind. 12
<i>Master thesis</i>	30
Total Master CSP	90

You will find the procedure for registering for courses in Lausanne in the following document:

[Master program in Comparative and Swiss Politics, appendix with Lausanne \(Document in German/French\) \(PDF, 96KB\)](#)

[Information leaflet on registering for courses in Lausanne \(Document in German\) \(PDF, 51KB\)](#)

Praktikum

An internship can be conducted during the course of study.

Information about the associated application process, duration, employment status, field of activity and submission of a final internship report can be found [here](#).

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