The University of Tübingen

Innovative. Interdisciplinary. International. Since 1477. These three words sum up the University of Tübingen's history as one of the oldest and most famous universities in Germany. The University of Tübingen is one of 11 prize-winning elite universities in the Federal Excellence Initiative. Its dynamic, high-profile core research makes the university a desirable partner for collaboration within Germany and abroad. It is correspondingly well-placed in both domestic and international rankings, whether in the area of the natural sciences, medicine, or the humanities.

The university's excellence in research offers optimal study conditions to students who come to Tübingen, combined with the opportunity to emphasize individual interests along the way. The attractive study environment is reinforced by many additional services, such as the language center, interdisciplinary lecture series and the state-of-the-art university library.

The University of Tübingen hosts one of Germany's most distinguished research networks on Global Studies offering a wide range of activities including international conferences, summer schools, mobility programs and research projects in collaboration with partner institutions in Africa, Asia and Latin America.

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Profile

In this MA degree program you will investigate contemporary cultures of the Global South with a focus on social and political dynamics and from the vantage point of comparative transregional studies. The program is international, interdisciplinary and intercultural in orientation, with a strong emphasis on research as well as on building bridges between theory and professional practice.

The program deals with thematic complexes such as colonialism and postcolonialism, migration and mobility, transculturalism and globalization. Among the disciplines involved in teaching the program are Literary, Cultural and Media Studies, along with Cultural Anthropology, Education, and other related Social Sciences.

Regional focus
Students may specialize via a particular regional focus. In addition to a comprehensive comparative profile, we provide specialization in the following areas:

- Latin American Studies
- African Studies

Research focus
In the course of your MA degree program you will become acquainted with the significant cutting-edge research approaches within the literatures and cultures of the Global South and develop the skills necessary for undertaking your own independent research. The degree program also offers the possibility of a fast-track route to doctoral research, so that the MA thesis becomes an integral element in the subsequent PhD thesis.

Opportunities

Project phase or internship
For the professionally-oriented project module a range of options are on offer. You have the opportunity of conducting a project related to activities in the media, theater or curatorial industries, or of undertaking an internship in one of these professional sectors.

Integrated semester abroad
Our extensive cooperations with a large number of partner universities in the Global South offer students a wide range of options for a semester abroad as an integral part of the MA degree program. The semester abroad also affords students the opportunity of complementing their interdisciplinary profile and of exploring the international research landscape.

Career opportunities
Students acquire professional skills in text and media analysis and obtain practical media qualifications through their study project. Moreover, they are trained in various professional fields and can pursue careers in:

- Communication and journalism (print media, radio, television, publishing)
- Cultural management (theater, museums, libraries, and other cultural institutions)
- Public relations
- International development
- Internationally operating business organizations and consultancies
- Intercultural communication
- European and international educational institutions

Requirements

The minimum admission requirement for the MA Cultures of the Global South is a BA in literary or cultural studies or social sciences with the final grade of 2.5 / 2nd class honours / B or better. Additionally, applicants must provide evidence of language proficiency in English and French or Spanish in one of following combinations:

- EU CEFR C1 in English at the time of application
  PLUS EU CEFR B2 in Spanish or French after 2 semesters
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  PLUS EU CEFR B2 in English after 2 semesters

Admissions

Applications for the MA degree program are possible both for the summer or the winter semester. Please note the following application deadlines:

German and EU citizens
- Summer semester 31 March
- Winter semester 30 September

International applicants
- Summer semester 15 January
- Winter semester 15 July

Please attach to your application a description (1500-word) for a possible MA thesis project.

Further information and access to the online application platform: [http://uni-tuebingen.de/en/2048](http://uni-tuebingen.de/en/2048)