Erasmus School of History, Culture and Communication

Media Studies

Research Master in the Sociology of Culture, Media and the Arts (SCMA)



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Research Master SCMA





SCMA: Key features

The programme has the following key features:

- 1. The combination of social-scientific training and hands-on research experience
- 2. The unique combination of sociology, culture, media and the arts
- 3. International perspective
- 4. Attention to future career perspectives

SCMA: in a nutshell

- 2-year programme (120 EC)
 - 1-year Abridged Programme (62 EC)
- Four terms, 8 weeks per term
 - <u>Year 1</u>
 - Term 1, 2 & 3: Courses
 - Term 4: Research Traineeship
 - <u>Year 2</u>
 - Term 1 & 2: International exchange
 - Term 3: Courses
 - Term 3 & 4: Master Thesis
- Very international & globally oriented classroom and department
 - Current classroom (1st and 2nd year):
 8 nationalities, 39% non-Dutch (total: 11 students)

Interdisciplinary	Social-scientific training	Own research interests
Contribute to academic debates	Theoretical courses	Qualitative and quantitative training
Research traineeship	International Exchange	Career in academia

Within SCMA, there is room for:

- A **customization** of your curriculum:
 - Elective seminars
 - Research workshop
 - Traineeship
 - Thesis topic
- An international exchange ---
- Labour Market Orientation
 - Guest lectures
 - Practical Case Projects
 - Student-to-student skills sharing initiatives
- Other extracurricular activities





Study Programme Year 1

Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
Consumer Culture	Globalization, Digitalization & Culture	
 Research Workshop*, choose from e.g.: Television Audiences Surveillance, Visibility & Reputation Creative Cities Artistic Careers Media & Migration Innovation in the Creative Industries Culture Online Social Media Use Researching Cultural Tourism 	 Elective at Research School*: Trending Topics in Media Studies Contemporary approaches to digital cultures. 	Research Traineeship
Advanced Quantitative Methods	Advanced Qualitative Methods	
	Research Master Seminar	
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*The offer of elective seminars and research workshops might be subject to change

Study Programme Year 2

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	
		Advanced Research Methods Course, e.g.: • Digital Research Methods		
International Exchange	Research Master Seminar			
		Master Thesis		
International Conference Participation				

Please visit *courses.eur.nl* for descriptions of all courses

International Exchange (Year 2 – Term 1 + 2)



"Exploring a different academic climate was a very useful experience, and made me more certain of my choice of pursuing a PhD abroad. Being abroad also made it easier for me to build a more international network."

- Iris Segers, exchange to Linköping University in Sweden



Research Traineeship: examples

- Gameful music performances for smart, inclusive, and sustainable societies
- Adolescents' expectations about their friends' online behavior
- Wikipedia: the democratic encyclopedia and the production of art knowledge
- Group identity and authoritarian dynamics in the U.S. elections: Evidence for a left-wing authoritarian vote?



Master Thesis: examples

- Corporate social responsibility and social media: how retailers interact with consumers
- Composing a home away from home: a study of the role of music in the identity process of Afghan refugees in the Netherlands
- Climate change coverages in Australian, German and U.K. tabloids: a *comparative framing analysis*
- The meritocratic myth: does information provision about unequal educational opportunities affect redistributive preferences of Dutch citizens?

Congratulations!

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Career fields Research Master

What are the main career fields of our Research Master alumni?



 Almost half of all SCMA alumni proceed to a PhD trajectory after graduation.

SCMA alumni on the world map: some examples



Questions about admissions?

Each applicant has their own **background** and **details**. Our Admissions Coordinator will be **available through email** to answer your Admission questions.



Marysia Beekes

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Admissions Coordinator Media & Communication



Do you want to join SCMA?

Screening criteria:

- Strong personal motivation
- University Bachelor's degree (relevant to the Master programme)
- Good academic track record ($GPA \ge 7,5$)
- Academic writing and analytical skills
- English language skills (please check our website for the requirements)

* For abridged programme (1 year, 62 EC): Already completed a regular EUR Master in Sociology, Arts and Culture Studies, Media, or Communication & GPA \geq 8.0 and Master Thesis \geq 8.0

Deadlines:

Check our website for up-to-date deadlines:

eur.nl/en/research-master/sociology-culture-media-and-arts



Other sources of information

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