

Erasmus School of
History, Culture and
Communication

Master History

Global History and
International
Relations

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Why choose Global History and International Relations?

The international track of the History Master's programme, 'Global History and International Relations' brings together two fields of study, as it analyses international relations from a historical and global perspective. Focuses include the rise and fall of great powers such as the British Empire and the United States. Students develop their knowledge of contemporary geopolitical issues and learn how the past itself is mobilized by groups and individuals to legitimise policies and construct identities.

Understanding the past is key in understanding the present. In this master's programme you study historical processes in a comparative and interdisciplinary manner. Drawing on insights from the social sciences, political theory and cultural analysis, you will learn to describe both the broad outlines and the unique aspects

of historical events from the early modern period to the present. Studying topics such as international relations, migration, trade and cultural heritage, will provide a better understanding of the present as well.

In Rotterdam, students develop their knowledge of both the broad outlines and the unique and specific aspects of historical events. Our programme is characterised by small-scale seminars, personal supervision, and intensive contacts with faculty and fellow students. At Erasmus University Rotterdam, we maintain excellent contacts with archives, museums, and research institutes that offer valuable research internships and learning experiences.

One of the courses: Mapping Global Order

This course combines two specialisations: International Relations and World History (or Global History). The course studies the highest levels of international relations and global interactions, discussing politics such as empires and international organizations, and geopolitical spaces such as regions and continents. Presenting a historical perspective on the rise and decline of empires and regions, the course considers global developments from 1600 to the

present within and outside of the Western World. Students will question which factors led to global historical developments, studying the rise and fall of empires and non-state actors such as NGO's and multinational corporations. Focus will be placed upon the historical roots of empire building, highlighting the dynamics between the global and the local.

Study programme

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
Mapping Global Order	Research Workshop <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Port Cities and Maritime History The Rise and Fall of the American Empire History, Memory and National Identity History of Cultural Difference Histories of Creativity and Innovation 	Research Workshop (continuation of term 2)	Research Workshop (continuation of term 2 and 3)
Historical Culture in a Globalizing World	International Relations Theory and the Case of the Middle East	Elective <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Research Internship Text and Context: From Source to Science 	Elective <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Globalization and the making of Europe, 1850-present Travelling Things
Thesis Market	Preparation Master's Thesis	Start Master's thesis	Finish Master's thesis

Entry requirements

Required degree	University Bachelor's degree or equivalent in history, social sciences, humanities, or a BA degree from a university college
Proficiency	Academic writing skills; analytical skills
Application procedure	Based on a motivation statement, GPA, curriculum vitae and an academic paper
Language requirements	TOEFL 100 or IELTS 7.0. or VWO 7,0 or higher for English
Application deadline	Non-EEA students: 15 April, EEA students: 15 May
Pre-Master History	1 year (60 ECTS)

Student testimonial

"What makes this Master's programme unique, is the interdisciplinary approach which is used to understand the past as well as the present. Amongst other things you learn to develop an informed perspective on the historical background of any society. As a graduate of this programme you can take up many different positions. For now, I am mainly interested in pursuing a career as a researcher or a policy officer at an international organisation."

Ricardo Klepke

