

APPLICATION PROCESS

PROCEDURE

We are looking for a highly qualified group of international students with excellent aptitude and the motivation to take on the challenges of this demanding study program.

The application process is divided into two steps.

- First, the written applications are screened to determine whether they fulfill the formal prerequisites.
- Second, the examination committee invites successful candidates to test their aptitude and motivation for the study program.

Interviews with candidates from abroad could be carried out via video-conference.

After this evaluation process the most promising candidates are granted admission to the MA CEAS.

APPLICATION SUBMISSION

Sept 15	for EU citizens
July 15	for non-EU citizens

Early submission is strongly recommended!

You are advised to apply as soon as possible and long before the deadlines expire. This is to make sure that you have enough time to acquire a visa (in case you are from a non-EU country) and to arrive in time for the start of the program in mid-October.

We are permanently processing incoming applications, so early applicants will be informed – and successful ones admitted – on a first-come, first-served basis irrespective of the mentioned deadlines.

SEND TO

You may send your application via e-mail or regular mail to:

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THE INSTITUTE

The Institute of East Asian Studies (IN-EAST), established in 1994, is a Research Center of the University of Duisburg-Essen, engaged in both research and graduate education on East Asia. With more than 30 scholars from different disciplines in the Social and Economic Sciences, IN-EAST is the most comprehensive university institute committed to contemporary East Asian studies in Germany. Chinese and Japanese Studies are the main focus of the research program and graduate curriculum.

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KEY DATA

Program start:	October
Program duration:	2 years (120 ECTS credits)
Program language:	English
Target group:	Graduates of BA programs (or equivalents) in the Social or Economic Sciences
Details:	www.uni-due.de/in-east/46/
Application deadlines:	July 15 for non-EU citizens Sept 15 for EU citizens
Inquiries to:	maceas@in-east.de

CONCEPT OF OUR PROGRAM

The Master in East Asian Regional Studies is an English-language degree program with a social scientific, contemporary and interdisciplinary profile. The program offers research-focused training for highly qualified graduates with BA or similar university degrees in Political Sciences, International Relations, Sociology or Economics.

The principal focus of the MA teaching is the theoretical and problem-centered analysis of social, political and economic phenomena in East Asia. Its aim is to deepen and enrich the student's capability to assess contemporary change, the challenges for the East Asian region and the implications of such developments for Europe.

THREE SPECIFIC CAPABILITIES

The intensive development of three specific capabilities give substance to the curriculum of the MA program:

1. The methodological skills graduated students bring with them will be deepened and applied specifically to analyses of the East Asian context,

2. regionally specific, deeper disciplinary as well as broader interdisciplinary knowledge of East Asia will be developed, and
3. language skills in one of two East Asian languages (Chinese, Japanese) will be acquired and refined.

PROGRAM STRUCTURE

The 2-year (equivalent to 4 semesters) Master Program MA CEAS includes intensive language training on a par with interdisciplinary and discipline-specific modules focusing on Chinese and Japanese Studies. Methodological training in both regional studies and the specific disciplines is integrated into the regional and discipline-specific modules.

Semester

1	INTRODUCTORY MODULES	LANGUAGE Japanese or Chinese
2	ADVANCED EAST ASIAN STUDIES	
3	ELECTIVE	
4	MASTER THESIS (incl. attached seminar)	

Semester 1

Three introductory modules on disciplinary East Asian studies help students to familiarize with East Asian studies from various disciplinary perspectives. These modules are obligatory. In addition, students start with their language training in either Chinese or Japanese up to their free choice.

Semester 2

There are altogether 14 different modules on Advanced East Asian Studies with 8 offered in the winter and 6 offered in the summer term. These modules present problem-centered and discipline-based perspectives on politics, the society or eco-

nomy of either Japan, China or the whole East Asian region. Students have to select 2 of them and are obliged to discuss their selection with their advisor in order to get his or her approval. Furthermore, students have to choose an elective module.

Semester 3

Students accomplish their language education, and, as in the previous semester, select two more modules in Advanced East Asian Studies as well as another elective.

Semester 4

Students concentrate on writing their Master Thesis. The Master Thesis will give proof of the attained theoretical, methodological and regional capabilities as well as language skills on the basis of an independent research project about a cutting-edge theme in contemporary East Asia that has to be elaborated. This effort is accompanied by a seminar. The instructor of the seminar is at the same time the supervisor of the thesis.

PROSPECTS

Students completing the MA degree will be prepared

- for further studies at the doctoral level,
- for high-level positions in multinational corporations and other private enterprises as well as politics – including political consulting –, governmental and non-governmental think-tanks, and in international organizations where intensive knowledge of East Asia and language competency is in high demand.

Our institute offers opportunities to continue studies in a PhD program within the DFG funded Research Training Group "Risk & East Asia".