



## Facts and Figures

**Start:** Winter semester

**Duration:** 4 semesters

**Degree:** Master of Arts

**Language:** English

**Admission not restricted**

## Application and enrolment

### Admission requirements



**General admission requirements:**

[www.uol.de/stud/631en](http://www.uol.de/stud/631en)

### Language skills:

English level B2

### Application

**Application deadline:** 30 September

### German university degree:

Online application

[www.uol.de/studium/bewerben/master](http://www.uol.de/studium/bewerben/master)

### EU or international applications:

[www.uol.de/en/application/international-students/master](http://www.uol.de/en/application/international-students/master)

## Contact

### For questions about the subject/degree programme

**Academic counselling for Social Sciences**

[www.uol.de/en/subject-specific-student-advice](http://www.uol.de/en/subject-specific-student-advice)

### Student representatives for Social Sciences

[www.uol.de/fssowi](http://www.uol.de/fssowi)

[fssowi@uol.de](mailto:fssowi@uol.de)

### For questions about your studies

**Study and Career Counselling Service**

[www.uol.de/en/zskb](http://www.uol.de/en/zskb)

### Basic questions about application and enrolment

**Student InfoLine**

**Phone** +49 441 798 – 2728

[study@uol.de](mailto:study@uol.de)

### Visitor address

**Student Service Centre – SSC**

Haarentor campus, building A12

26129 Oldenburg

[www.uol.de/en/students/service-advice](http://www.uol.de/en/students/service-advice)

## Further information

### Social Sciences website

[www.uol.de/sozialwissenschaften](http://www.uol.de/sozialwissenschaften)

[www.uol.de/en/social-sciences](http://www.uol.de/en/social-sciences)

### Degree programmes at the University of Oldenburg

[www.uol.de/en/students/degree-programmes](http://www.uol.de/en/students/degree-programmes)

### Financing your studies

[www.uol.de/en/students/fees/financing-your-studies](http://www.uol.de/en/students/fees/financing-your-studies)

### Optional period abroad

[www.uol.de/en/going-abroad](http://www.uol.de/en/going-abroad)

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# Social Sciences

## Master's Degree



## Social Sciences (M.A.)

The Master's programme Social Sciences has a broad social science profile, where the key theme of "organisations" is developed across all modules. Organisations are central to modern societies and are present throughout our lives in the areas of education, health, culture, politics and economics. Accordingly, detailed knowledge about the workings of organisations is essential for developing a comprehensive understanding of modern societies. With its unique emphasis on organisations in the German-speaking academic landscape, the M. A. Social Sciences provides students with in-depth and consistent knowledge in both political science and sociology.

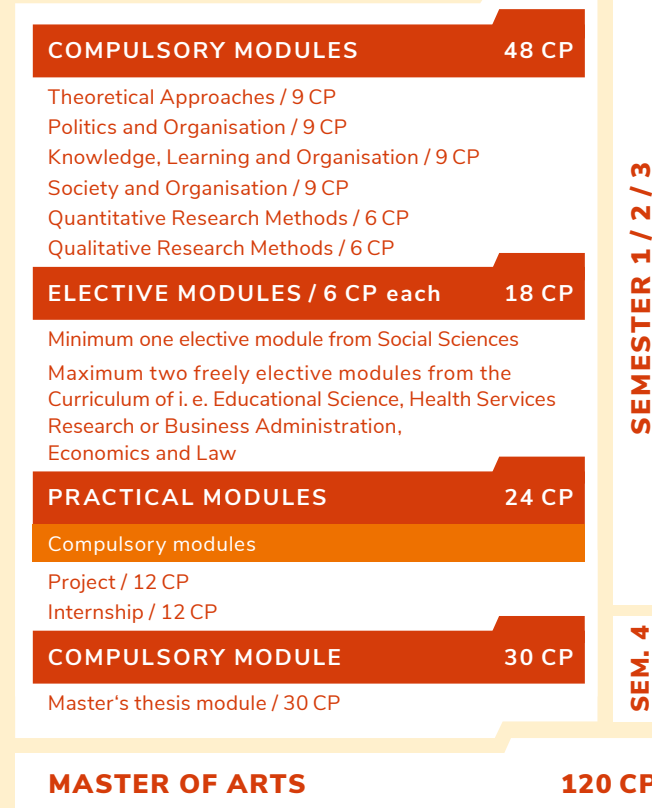
In our modern society, and in the social sciences in particular, dealing with knowledge construction and social practice is vital to understand how our world works. Here in Oldenburg, the M. A. Social Sciences offers opportunities for students to specialise in areas of their own choosing and introduces students to an integrative approach to the analysis of social phenomena. Graduates will be given the tools required to actively participate in and impact the evolution of our modern society.

## Career opportunities

By taking the M. A. Social Sciences, graduates will acquire a wide range of skills transferable to a number of career opportunities, including:

- (International) Organisational development and consulting
- Public administration and political organisations
- Media production and development, including e.g. opinion research
- University research and teaching
- Teaching in other education institutions
- Science management at universities or research institutions

## Structure and contents



## Specialisation

Social scientists must have the ability to think through scientific or practical problems from different perspectives. They should be able to situate these problems in a wider context and research them using appropriate approaches and methods. Accordingly, the M. A. Social Sciences curriculum is structured to combine subject-specific and practical research skills with comprehensive theoretical knowledge and a wide range of methodological approaches. The programme equips students with the tools to theoretically analyse the social science issues inherent in an organisational society and to empirically investigate them via quantitative and qualitative methods. In doing so, students are able to critically unpack the 'norms' and persistent systems of our modern society.

The curriculum consists of compulsory modules focusing on the theoretical foundations of organisational research, organisations in politics and society and knowledge and learning in organisations, as well as providing a comprehensive understanding of qualitative and quantitative methods. Students can customise their course by selecting from a wide range of electives in political science and sociology, economics, business administration, health sciences and advanced methods courses.

## Language skills

By using English as the language of instruction, students are able to develop their language and intercultural skills and become better equipped for navigating a multicultural environment. These abilities ensure that graduates are competitive in the business world, politics and academia.

Applicants must demonstrate a sufficient level of proficiency in the English language (CEFR Level B2) in order to be eligible for admission to the degree programme.

## Stay abroad

A semester abroad is possible and, ideally, should be completed during the third semester at an international partner university that offers comparable degree programmes.

