

Labour Policies and Globalisation

Degree	Master of Arts (M.A.)
Type of study	Full-time study
Standard period of study	2 semesters
Commencement of studies	Winter semester (1 Oct)
Credits (ECTS)	60
Language of instruction	English
Department / Central Institute	Department of Business and Economics

Degree programme

The Master programme Labour Policies and Globalisation is a 1-year MA programme on Sustainable Development, Social Justice, International Labour Standards and Trade Unions. The focus of the Masters programme in “Labour Policies and Globalisation” is on the challenges for labour posed by corporate decisions on investments across nations, by predominantly supply-side oriented macroeconomics, and by neo-liberal rules for trade and finance at a global level. Discussion of the adequacy of alternative policies for labour is a central element throughout the programme.

For extensive information about our programme see the website of the [Berlin Professional School](#)

Professional field

The MA programme addresses young people who have acquired their first degree (Bachelor/Diploma) in Political Sciences, Sociology, Law or Economics and who have a particular interest and work experience in the field of trade unionism and related areas.

Degree structure

The full-time Master Programme starts in October and takes 12 months to complete. The first term takes place at the university of Kassel. Following the first term students will do a six-week internship. In the second term the programme is continued at the Berlin School of Economics and Law and ends with the three-months writing period of the Master’s thesis.

Course contents

First semester:

- Trade Union Strategies in a Global Economy
- Governance of Globalisatio
- Research Methods
- One World Seminar
- The State in the Periphery*
- Labour Market Policies in a Comparative Perspective*
- Global Environmental Change and Multiscale Governance*
- Perspectives from the South - Politics of Development*

- Logistics, Cities, Care – Thinking the Surround*
- The Political Economy of Nature and Development*
- Gender and Labour*
- Civil Resistance and Social Change
- Internship and Internship Report

Second semester:

- Economic Policy and the Role of Trade Unions
- Global Worker's Rights
- Decent Work in Global Value Chains
- The Politics of Social Cohesion*
- The Political Economy of Modern Capitalism*
- Recent Developments in European Law*
- Gender and Globalisation*
- Master Colloquium
- Master's Thesis & Oral Defence

* Elective Courses

Admission requirements

- A first degree (Bachelor or equivalent) in Political Sciences, Sociology, Law or Economics
- To the extent possible within accreditation requirements and national university regulations
- skills and qualifications as well as professional experience equivalent to a Bachelor's degree may be recognized
- Experience in trade union work or related fields is absolutely essential.
- Language Proficiency in English is an entry requirement (e.g. TOEFL cbt 213 or ibt 79; IELTS 6,5).

Application procedure and deadlines

Please note that applications for this joint degree programme are processed only by our partner university, the University of Kassel. For detailed information on the application process and the requirements for admission please refer to the website of the Global Labour University (GLU): www.global-labour-university.org

Fees and grants

Tuition fees	none
Semester fee	ca. € 300 per semester (incl. local transport semester ticket)
