# MSC IN POLITICAL SCIENCE\*

# A BROAD, RESEARCH-ORIENTED DEGREE PROGRAMME



Does diversity jeopardise the welfare state? How is political radicalisation prevented? Why are Scandinavians more trustful than others? At the Department of Political Science our objective is to choose the right research strategies, methods and theoretical concepts that will enable us to answer such questions. This may involve conducting surveys, statistical modelling or interviews, spending hours at the library, or going on field trips to the Middle East.

The MSc in Political Science is the flagship degree of our top European political science department, whose high ratings and research attract academics from around the globe to its vibrant community of scholars. This is a high-quality, two-year programme for those who seek a comprehensive political science education focusing on research design and methodology. The programme gives students the possibility of specialising in the subfields of comparative politics, political theory, political sociology, international relations, public policy or public administration.

## QUALITY TEACHING IN AN INFORMAL LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

The MSc in Political Science is dedicated to the highest-quality teaching in an informal and egalitarian learning environment. Students are always welcome to approach the teaching staff, whose doors are open to anybody wishing to propose a supervised reading course, for example. Students are expected to engage actively in classroom debates. They

also collaborate in small-scale comparative projects that make the most of the international study environment.

## **VARIETY AND OPPORTUNITIES**

The MSc in Political Science is flexible, giving students the opportunity to design their own course programme. Talented students may even be offered a chance to work as research assistants on ongoing projects. Some students will spend a semester abroad at one of our partner institutions or do an internship in a company or organisation.

### **CAREERS**

MSc students pursue careers in which independent analytical skills are crucial. They find challenging jobs in academia and in key policy organisations, or as consultants, analysts or strategists in firms, NGOs and the public sector. For half a century the department has produced a flow of illustrious alumni, from government ministers to the present Secretary-General of the EU's Council of Ministers.







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## ANNUAL TUITION FEE

EU/EEA/Swiss citizens: FREE Others: EUR 9,000

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## A SELECTIVE PROGRAMME WITH PHD OPENINGS

Independence, commitment and hard work are required to join this programme, and students will need to demonstrate excellence and dedication in their bachelor's degree. Those who excel in their Master's may go on to apply for a place in one of our first-rate PhD programmes. This could be the first step in an international academic career.

#### SCHOLARSHIPS FOR OVERSEAS STUDENTS

The MSc is free for EU/EEA and Swiss students. Highly qualified international students may apply for a limited number of scholarships/tuition fee waivers.

#### **AARHUS BSS**

Aarhus BSS (School of Business and Social Sciences) is one of Aarhus University's four faculties. With approximately 14,000 full-time students, several thousand part-time students, more than 270 PhD students and more than 570 faculty members, Aarhus BSS ranks among the largest business schools in Europe and is Denmark's biggest business and social sciences unit at university level. Building on its broad academic base, it encompasses both traditional business and social science disciplines.

## LEARNING IN AN INTERNATIONAL CONTEXT

At Aarhus BSS, we conduct research and teaching at the highest academic level. We are dedicated to imparting to our students exactly the knowledge, skills and experience that are in demand – the skills that are essential for engaging in professional business activities in a global marketplace.

Our broad scope enables us to attract researchers, lecturers and students from all over the world. With their help, we have built an international environment in which academic and cultural views are exchanged, experiences gathered, and friendships formed.

Our students are encouraged to take a semester abroad at one of Aarhus BSS's approximately 300 partner universities around the world. Studying abroad is an excellent opportunity for you to expand your horizon academically, culturally and personally, and for you to acquire valuable international experience and qualifications that are in high demand in companies and organisations everywhere.

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The Contested Concepts and Approaches of Political Science	Electives Political Science Seminar or Political Science Core Course	Electives	THESIS
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