



MSc Pedagogical Sciences: Youth 0-21, Society and Policy

How can we make schools a safe place for all? How can we make the best decisions for children and youth in situations of abuse and neglect? Can children and young people participate in policy development about healthy lifestyles? And how can we improve the interventions that tackle these urgent youth issues?

In the Master's track Youth 0-21, Society & Policy you will study issues that affect contemporary youth. For instance, how youth are impacted by unemployment and discrimination, how policies on inclusion can be strengthened by research, and how to improve the quality of youth care by developing evidence-based policies and practices.

Also, you will study the context of child protection, learn about various state-of-the-art research methods, and consider how youth can participate in the research process. Additionally, you choose one elective course to broaden or deepen your knowledge. In your second semester, the main focus will be on your research project, consisting of an internship and thesis.

The program has enabled alumni from different parts of the world to find positions in Ministry Departments, in national educational institutions, in foster care organisations, in municipalities, in community colleges and in universities worldwide.

Course examples

- Innovations and Transformations in Youth Care and Education
- Decision-making in Child Protection
- Participation and Policy
- Contemporary Youth Issues
- plus one elective course from Pedagogical Sciences or Educational Sciences

Career opportunities

- Policy advisor in governmental and childcare organisations
- Project coordinator in welfare organisations
- Researcher in university and applied settings

Application deadline

1 February:
15 October (Non-EU/EEA)
1 December (EU/EEA)

1 September:
1 May (Non-EU/EEA)
1 June (EU/EEA)

Tuition fees (2024-2025)

EU/EEA: €2314
non-EU/EEA: €17800

Duration

1 year

In September 2025 a part-time programme will start (2 years)

Entry requirements

Bachelor in Pedagogical, Educational or Social Sciences, or similarly relevant degrees; Pre-Master SPO graduates.

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Course titles are subject to change. Please consult the website for a current course schedule.