Master of Arts in Humanities
European Languages and Cultures

Why University of Tartu?

• UT is ranked in the TOP 2% of the world’s best universities (QS World University Rankings 2016/2017);
• The oldest and most prestigious university in Estonia founded in 1632;
• UT College of Foreign Languages and Cultures provides state-of-the-art research and teaching in modern and classical languages that is recognised internationally;
• The faculty to student ratio is excellent and students get a lot of individual attention;
• International meetings, guest lectures, and cooperation with private and public sector institutions give students hands-on work experience;
• International community: more than 1000 international students from over 90 countries;
• Exchange opportunities offered by partner universities in numerous countries and student exchange programmes such as ISEP and Erasmus+;
• Safe, modern and innovative study environment: international students are 89% satisfied with their experience in Estonia (I-Graduate ISB);
• Tuition-waiver scholarships available.

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The programme trains students to be cultural mediators (translators, administrators, editors, etc.) by providing knowledge and skills in a modern or classical language and culture. Students focus on one specialty – English, French, Spanish or German language and literature, Scandinavian languages and literatures, Russian and Slavic philology or Classical philology. In addition, they can combine elective courses and practical training module according to specific future career paths. For example, somebody who wants to become an editor in a publishing house can pick an elective module in translation studies and do editing training. International exchange agreements allow students to spend a semester abroad to further polish their language skills and intercultural communication competence. Graduates will be ready to enter professions that require excellence in foreign languages and cultural expertise. Students can apply even if they will acquire their diplomas only in June.

Duration of the programme
2 years

Curriculum structure
Total 120 ECTS

• Speciality module (39 ECTS) with 7 options:
  - English language and literature
  - French language and literature
  - Spanish language and literature
  - German language and literature
  - Scandinavian languages and literatures
  - Russian and Slavic philology
  - Classical philology

• Graduate school module (15 ECTS)
  - linguistics and translation studies graduate school
  - history, literature, and cultural research graduate school

• Elective module (12 ECTS)

• Optional module (6 ECTS)

• Practical training (6 ECTS)

• Master’s thesis or Master’s project module (42 ECTS)

General admission requirements
• Bachelor’s degree or equivalent

Tuition fee & scholarships
€2400/year

Top-ranked applicants receive tuition-waiver scholarships
ut.ee/scholarships

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Application process:
1) Submit an online application with required documents (link available on the programme’s website);
2) Mail the documents after being admitted or when requested by the university.

Documents to be submitted:
• Online application;
• Motivation letter in English;
• Admission essay in the language of specialisation (see the university’s admissions page for topic announcement) or sample translation in the case of Classical philology;
• Official copy of the Bachelor’s diploma and Diploma Supplement (transcript/mark sheet) in the original language;*
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• Proof of English language proficiency (ut.ee/requirements, e.g. TOEFL iBT 75, IELTS 5.5);
• Copy of the passport page stating the applicant’s personal details.

*All copies of educational documents (diplomas and diploma supplements/academic transcripts) must be officially certified. Certified copies should bear an original signature and seal of the authority certifying that these are true copies of the original. The documents can be certified: 1) by an authorised official of the issuing institution; 2) by a notary; 3) with an Apostille attached. The University does not accept simple copies of already certified copies.

Application deadline
March 15

NB! Applicants graduating and having their diplomas issued later than the application deadline, should electronically submit their most recent official Transcript of Records by the required deadline along with the rest of the required documents.

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