### **Master Thesis**

Title	Master Thesis
Semester	F2023
Master programme in	International Politics and Governance
Type of activity	MasterThesis
Teaching language	English
Study regulation	

#### REGISTRATION AND STUDY ADMINISTRATIVE

Registration

Registration is through <u>stads selvbetjening</u>within the announced registration period, as you can see on the <u>Studyadministration</u> <u>homepage</u>.

When registering for study activities, please be aware of the potential conflicts between study activities or exam dates. The planning of activities at Roskilde University is based on the recommended study programs which do not overlap. However, if you choose optional courses and/or study plans that goes beyond the recommended study programs, an overlap of lectures or exam dates may occur depending on which courses you choose.

Registration for projects: Please remember to confirm your registration by signing up for exam as a group when the group formation is final. The registration is through <a href="mailto:stads.selvbetjening">stads.selvbetjening</a>

Number of participants

ECTS 30

Responsible for the activity

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Head of study

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Teachers

Study administration

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Exam code(s) U60146

### ACADEMIC CONTENT

Overall objective

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# Detailed description of content

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# The workshop is held on September 28, 12:15-02:00 pm, in theory room 25.3-005

After the workshop you/your group will have the opportunity to book an appointment with a skilled student, who will help with downloading and preparing data for analysis and interpretation. If you need extra guidance on any particular issue, you will be referred to a relevant researcher. Contact information to follow

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### Course material and Reading list

Determined individually in collaboration between student and supervisor.

#### Overall plan and expected work effort

"\*\* Workload \*\* The MA thesis accounts for 30 ECTS, which corresponds to 810 working hours and is distributed over the semester at approx. 40 hours a week. The tasks include preparation for and participation in supervision meetings as well as independent work on the thesis and exam.

\*\* Activities \*\*

Students will learn to work independently on their MA thesis.

At regular meetings with their allocated supervisors, they will receive feedback on draft sections of the thesis.

At regular supervision meetings students will also be expected to engage critically and discuss the overall development of the thesis as well as, among other things, the merits and limitations of their choice and use of scholarly literature, theoretical framework, methodological approach, case study and empirical data and analysis."

#### Format

## Evaluation and feedback

The activity are evaluated regularly regarding the study board evaluation procedure. The activity responsible will be orientated about a potential evaluation of the activity at semesterstart. Se link to the study board evaluation praxis here https://intra.ruc.dk/nc/for-ansatte/organisering/raadnaevn-og-udvalg/oversigt-over-studienaevn/studienaevn-for-internationale-studier/arbejdet-medkvalitet-i-uddannelserne/

### Programme

See Moodle

### ASSESSMENT

# Overall learning outcomes

- Research-based knowledge in selected subject areas and understanding of and reflection on how one's own thesis research fits into its academic context.
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- Proficiency in applying and mastering scientific theories and methods while working with a defined, professional and relevant research question.
- Proficiency in identifying scientific research questions.
- Proficiency in analysing, categorising, discussing, arguing, reflecting and evaluating on a scientific basis.
- Proficiency in critically addressing and choosing scientific sources, literature, theory and methods.
- Proficiency in discussing and participating in academic argumentation.
- Proficiency in writing in accordance with academic text norms and for the purpose of an academic target group.
- Competences to independently initiate, manage and conduct a lengthy academic research and writing process
- Competences in identifying and taking responsibility for one's own professional and written language development and specialisation.

## Form of examination

Master thesis exam based on the written product and the oral exam.

The master thesis can be written individually or in a group. Permitted group size: 2-4 students.

The oral exam is individual for students that have written the thesis alone or students that have requested an individual exam. All other oral master thesis exams are conducted as group exams.

The assessment is individual and based on the student's individual performance.

The assessment is an assessment of the master thesis and the oral performance.

The character limits of the master thesis are:

For 1 student: 122,400-163,200 characters, including spaces. For 2 students: 163,200-204,000 characters, including spaces. For 3 students: 163,200-204,000 characters, including spaces. For 4 students: 163,200-204,000 characters, including spaces.

The character limits include the cover, table of contents, summary, bibliography, figures and other illustrations, but exclude any appendices.

The master thesis must include a summary.
The summary can either be written in English or Danish.
The summary is included in the overall assessment.

Time allowed for exam including time used for assessment for:

1 student: 30 minutes. 2 students: 60 minutes. 3 students: 75 minutes. 4 students: 90 minutes.

Writing and spelling skills in the thesis are part of the assessment.

Permitted support and preparation materials at the oral exam: All.

Assessment: 7-point grading scale. Moderation: External examiner.

#### Form of Reexamination

Samme som ordinær eksamen / same form as ordinary exam

# Type of examination in special cases

Examination and assessment criteria

"Knowledge and understanding of the academic genre and the academic audience to which the master thesis is addressed.

Skills in using and mastering scientific theories and methods while working with a defined, professional and relevant research question

Proficiency in identifying scientific research questions

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### Course days:

### Hold: 1

### Thesis workshop (GDS, GS, IDS, IPAP, IPG)

time 16-01-2023 09:15 til

16-01-2023 16:00

location 05.1-032 - teorirum 05.1 (65)

Teacher Markus-Michael Müller ( muellerm@ruc.dk )

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### Thesis seminar (IPG)

time 01-02-2023 08:15 til

01-02-2023 12:00

location 07.1-061 - undervisningslokale (30)

### Master Thesis Hand-In

time 01-06-2023 10:00 til

01-06-2023 10:00

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