



**MUNI  
FSS**

# **International Relations and European Politics (IREP)**

**Challenge yourself to impact the world**

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interrelated fields of study in one study program a unique combination

**40+**

countries represented in the student body – international diversity

**40+**

optional courses each academic year – specialize early with many more out-of-programme options and yearly variety, including visiting professors

**120**

field-specific study-abroad agreements globally, which allow you to spend a semester in France, Germany, the USA, or Israel, or take advantage of internships and summer schools

**wide**

selection of collaborating organizations, giving students opportunities for practical training and internships

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Are you interested in diplomacy and relations between states? Have you ever wondered why underdevelopment is such a persistent phenomenon? Are you curious about how the European Union makes decisions and about the most important political players in Europe? Are you looking for both knowledge and practical skills?

The International Relations and European Politics (IREP) programme provides answers to these questions. The programme's curriculum emphasizes not only knowledge but also critical thinking, analytical skills, writing, and presenting. The combination of knowledge and skills puts our alumni in a strong position when applying for jobs in diplomacy, government, international organizations, non-governmental organizations, media, and consulting.




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In today's globalized world, international politics is a phenomenon that impacts every field of human activity: from diplomacy and relations between states to trade, manufacturing, science, IT, media, and culture. At the same time, the EU is one of the key global leaders and trend-setters in cooperation in this globalized world. Becoming an expert on international relations and European politics thus provides a key to a diverse range of career options.

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The IREP programme offers a high level of expertise, variety, and versatility in both international relations and European politics, combined with a focus on practical skills and educational excellence.



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„Having successfully completed my Bachelor’s degree in International Relations and European Politics added value to my life in various ways. I have learnt to not only think outside the box, but to think as if there is no box. My intellect was enriched and I strongly believe that all the knowledge I acquired will help me become an exceptional policy maker and prompt positive multifaceted change in my home country.“

*Janice Shelcia Nhatuve, alumnus 2021*



**I REP BACHELOR PROGRAMME ALUMNI  
ARE COMPETITIVE CANDIDATES FOR  
JOBS IN GOVERNMENT, THE PRIVATE  
SECTOR, AND THE NON-PROFIT  
SECTOR, AS WELL AS SUCCESSFUL  
APPLICANTS TO MASTERS PROGRAMMES  
AT HOME OR ABROAD.**

The IREP programme offers a truly international experience. Our students come from all over the world. This diversity in knowledge, experience, and cultural background is a highly valuable addition to students' college experience.

A blue-tinted photograph of the United Nations Secretariat Building in New York City. The building's facade is visible, featuring the words "UNITED NATIONS" and "NATIONS UNIES" flanking the UN emblem. In the foreground, a long, straight row of flagpoles extends from the left towards the building, each topped with a flag. The sky is overcast.

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NATIONS UNIES

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## WHAT WILL YOU LEARN ABOUT?

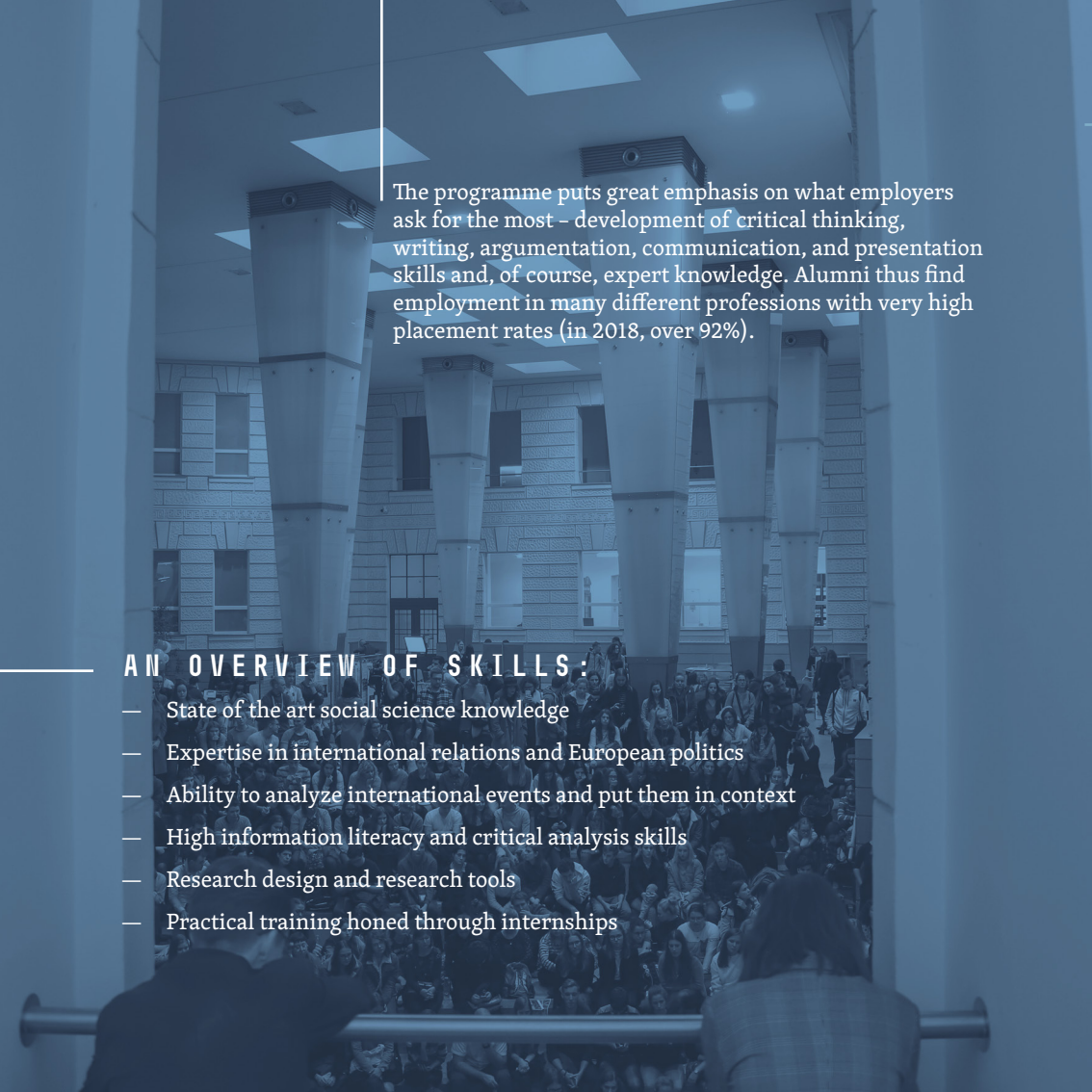
- History of international relations
- International organizations and diplomacy
- European integration and institutions of the EU
- Contemporary history of Europe
- Human rights, democratization, and global justice
- Economic dimensions of international relations
- Research methods in international relations and European politics

We pride ourselves on a truly broad offer of optional courses ranging from Arctic Geopolitics and Transitional Justice to Peace Economics and much more. Students are also encouraged to select courses from related fields such as security studies, international finance, and journalism.

*„The IREP programme provides students with comprehensive academic as well as methodological insight into the field of international relations. Consequently, due to its combination of a unique and flexible curriculum, IREP represents an excellent opportunity for acquiring profound expertise in the academic disciplines encompassing the fields of international political economy, international security, European Union institutions, European history and many others.“*

*Jovica Jovic, alumnus 2021*





The programme puts great emphasis on what employers ask for the most – development of critical thinking, writing, argumentation, communication, and presentation skills and, of course, expert knowledge. Alumni thus find employment in many different professions with very high placement rates (in 2018, over 92%).

## AN OVERVIEW OF SKILLS:

- State of the art social science knowledge
- Expertise in international relations and European politics
- Ability to analyze international events and put them in context
- High information literacy and critical analysis skills
- Research design and research tools
- Practical training honed through internships



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## THE IREP BACHELOR PROGRAMME OFFERS MORE . . .

- **Practice.** Students are encouraged in pursuing, and the department is supportive of, extracurricular activities both in civil society organizations and professional internships.
- **Specialization.** The programme offers a wide selection of optional courses allowing students to specialize in their bachelor studies.
- **Community life.** The programme accommodates and encourages an active student life. Students build their own weekly schedule, which empowers them to pursue more languages, sports, student clubs, volunteering, internships, or training.
- **Interactive.** The university offers state-of-the-art lecture halls and a proprietary information system that allows students and staff to minimize administration, maximize interactivity, and make academic resources (e.g. literature) readily accessible.
- **Further studies.** The programme is an excellent springboard for further studies at the graduate level - by continuing in the IREP Masters programme, other Masters programmes at MUNI, or Masters programmes at prestigious universities abroad.
- **Tuition benefits.** The tuition fee is comprehensive and includes all the benefits a public university can offer: course materials, unlimited credit enrolment, university-wide access to facilities, subsidized food in university cafeterias, and more. Apart from your living expenses, that's it.
- **Outstanding support.** Students can rely on outstanding support from advisers and the administrative and academic staff with a personal approach tailored to individual needs. Study advisers are ready to guide students through their studies.

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## INTERNSHIPS - STUDY ABROAD - AND MORE

Dozens of study abroad agreements and relationships with even more international academic networks and programmes give IREP students the opportunity to expand their knowledge and skills by spending a semester at another university in Europe or throughout the world.

IREP students are encouraged to engage in extracurricular activities both in civil society organizations and in professional internships. The study programme offers ECTS credit compensation for internships and provides students with contact assistance, recommendations, and guidance support to help weave the internship into their studies.



*„Thought-provoking, interactive courses offered by the IREP programme, coupled with an extraordinarily friendly approach of the lecturers create a remarkable university experience resulting in a greater understanding of international relations and politics in the contemporary world.“*

*Alexandra Blašková, alumna, 2020*



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„As student advisors, we work hard to help our students have a smooth, engaging, and fulfilling college experience. We encourage our students to be active members of the programme and contribute with ideas. This active student involvement often takes place even outside of university premises and helps us make the college experience even better for our students.“

*Jana Urbanovská and Martin Chovančík, Assistant Professors and IREP Programme Student Advisers*



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about the programme?



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admission process?



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