GRADUATE STUDENT CONFERENCE ON THE EUROPEAN UNION
Each year, the EUCE/ESC sponsors a graduate student conference with a focus on the EU. For more information, visit http://www.ucis.pitt.edu/euce/events/conferences.html.

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Faculty just beginning their careers and advanced graduate students present their research on the EU. Visit http://www.ucis.pitt.edu/euce/events/conferences.html for more information.

EUCE SUMMER PRE-DISSERTATION FELLOWSHIPS
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Graduate Certificate in European Union Studies

The European Union (EU) plays a central role in European affairs as well as international politics, economics, and social and cultural development. The creation, development, and expansion of the EU and simultaneous reassertions of national, cultural, and ethnic identity make EU studies both exciting and vital to understanding broader global themes.

The European Union Center of Excellence (EUCE) coordinates undergraduate, graduate, and professional education related to the EU. The University of Pittsburgh was selected to host an EU Center by the European Commission through a national competition in July 1998. The EUCE is now one of only ten such centers in the United States. The EUCE, in conjunction with the European Studies Center (ESC), has supported the development of new courses on the EU, which are offered in many of the university’s departments and schools. The Center for Russian and East European Studies (REES) also offers many courses and other activities relating to current and prospective EU member states.

The Graduate Certificate in European Union Studies is designed to enable students to combine a focus in a traditional discipline with an interdisciplinary set of courses related to the EU. It also integrates language study with the study of the EU. The Certificate provides an official credential to demonstrate that a student has achieved a high level of specialization in EU studies and proficiency in an official language of the EU, in addition to their graduate or professional degree.

Academic Requirements

The following are the five Certificate requirements:

1. Language Courses
Three years of college-level instruction, or the equivalent proficiency, in one official language of the EU or that of an official EU candidate country other than English.

2. European Union Studies Courses
At least 18 credits of European Union Studies courses or seminars, of which at least 9 credits must be outside the student’s major school/department. The 18 credits must include 6 credits from the list of “core” EU courses.

A listing of the approved courses for the upcoming semester or term is available on the EUCE/ESC Web site about a week to ten days prior to the start of registration at www.ucis.pitt.edu/euce/courses.html.

3. Research Paper
An interdisciplinary research paper of 15 or more pages that reflects the use of materials in an official language of the EU. The paper could be prepared for a course, but students are urged to conceptualize it with the Certificate requirements in mind and to consult with the EUCE/ESC or REES graduate advisor while writing it. The paper will be evaluated by an EUCE or REES affiliated faculty member.

4. Co-curricular Activity
Participation in at least one EU-related activity approved by the EUCE/ESC or REES graduate advisor. The student must consult with the advisor for a list of approved activities.

5. Completion of Degree Requirements
Students must complete all requirements for the Master’s or professional degree or pass the preliminary examinations for the Ph.D.

Certificate Advising
In order to enroll in and obtain maximum benefit from the program, students should meet regularly with the EUCE/ESC or REES graduate advisor to keep him/her informed of their progress toward satisfying the Certificate’s requirements. He/she can also provide information on funding and other opportunities that complement the Certificate.

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