



# SCHOOL OF POLITICAL SCIENCE



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## WHO WE ARE

The School of Political Science offers a rich academic curriculum that exposes our students to the cutting-edge knowledge in the field of political science, international communication and economic diplomacy. It provides students with a unique opportunity to explore and understand politics both as a science and a profession. The courses are designed to enable theoretical insight and ability to analyze politics at local, national and international level. By drawing on the rich professional and extensive academic achievements of our faculty, students gain practical skills and expand their decision making capacities.

## WHAT WE STAND FOR

We create professionals who are capable of dealing with modern-day challenges in the areas of international relations and economic diplomacy. Our courses are carefully designed to tackle some of the most important political issues of today. We offer an exceptional mix of the best practices of European and American educational systems and we involve our students in international research projects and activities. Our students benefit from the opportunity to take part in the Erasmus+ Mobility program and spend a study semester at one of our partner universities in Europe.

## OUR FACULTY

The School of Political Science champions a well-balanced combination of theoretical and practical knowledge delivered interactively by professors, experts and career diplomats. It creates a vivid environment for continuous learning and interchange. Our faculty members have excelled as reputable scholars, and some have served as ambassadors and high state officials.

## TENURED FACULTY

- Ivan Dodovski – University of Nottingham alumnus and Chair of ENTAN – the European Non-Territorial Autonomy Network
- Zoran Shapurikj – former MP and former Minister of Environment and Physical Planning
- Marina Andeva – University of Trieste alumna and ISIG Italy Research Fellow
- Ognen Vangelov – Queen's University alumnus and Canada Vanier Scholar

## ADJUNCT FACULTY

- Danco Markovski – incumbent Macedonian ambassador to Albania
- Ivan Stefanovski – Scuola Normale Superiore Italy alumnus and NDI Program Officer
- Sasho Ordanovski – IWM Vienna Fellow
- Zhivko Gruevski – former Honorary Consul of Canada
- Radmila Shekerinska – former Macedonian Deputy Prime Minister for European Affairs and former Minister of Defense
- Nikola Poposki – former Macedonian Minister of Foreign Affairs
- Ambassador Ognen Maleski – ISS The Hague alumnus, former Macedonian ambassador to OSCE and incumbent president of the Diplomatic Club - Skopje

## VISITING AND EXCHANGE PROFESSORS

- Robert Hudson – University of Derby, UK, Jean Monnet Scholar and Royal Society of Arts Fellow
- Milan Jazbec – former Slovenian ambassador to Macedonia
- Dimitros Akrivoulis – Professor at the European Inter-University Center for Human Rights and Democratization (UNESCO Chair, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece)
- Ambassador Erwan Fouéré – former EU ambassador to Macedonia
- Vincent Mosby – Texas Southern University Huston USA alumnus

## OUR TEACHING PHILOSOPHY

Our aim is not to teach theory and facts only, but above all to enable the students to apply their knowledge and to gain practical skills. Along with lectures, we use advanced teaching tools, such as: case studies; role plays; simulation exercises; solving practical problems; group discussions with special guests; and individual and team projects (research papers, policy analyses, diplomatic cables). Small class size enables every student to actively participate in the learning process. Each academic year our students do internships in some of the 150+ institutions, organizations and companies which are part of the UACS Business Council. We are proud that our students gain knowledge and skills that enable them to take desired jobs immediately after graduation.

## UACS Business Council

The cooperation with the UACS Business Council is a key factor in developing highly professional staff for the real world. The UACS Business Council is comprised of 150 leading companies from various professional backgrounds, as well as government institutions and non-government organizations. Along with providing adjustments to the curricula to meet contemporary needs, the UACS Business Council offers opportunities for career development of UACS students.

## Giving Back to Community

Our programs also nurture social responsibility in students, inviting them to respect the community they live in by being responsible members of society. This is why UACS organizes a range of socially responsible events and projects in which students are actively involved.



# Our Academic Programs

The School of Political Science offers ambitious and innovative study programs, which aim to prepare the students for building a successful career in the fields of:

- Political Science and International Communication
- International Relations and Diplomacy
- Economic Diplomacy

## Expected Learning Outcomes Upon Graduation

- Knowledge and understanding of politics, international communication, and the role of modern diplomacy in the globalized world;
- Ability to independently analyze the political and economic institutions and the processes which define the international system;
- Ability to apply diplomatic techniques and methods to achieve foreign policy objectives;
- Ability to assess and predict the developments within the international system and their effects on the foreign policy of the state;
- Communication skills to publicly express views and knowledge on policy issues, and to participate actively in building the public diplomacy of the state.
- Ability to identify the needs for continuous learning by using electronic databases, scientific works, open-access publications and internal reports on policy issues and the diplomatic practice.



# Employment Possibilities

Graduates of the School of Political Science can experience employment opportunities at a wide spectrum of:

- State and local institutions, government agencies and public bodies in the areas of international relations, applied politics and diplomacy, including the Ministries of Foreign Affairs, Internal Affairs, European Affairs, Defense, as well as intelligence agencies and international cooperation bodies.
- International governmental organizations and foreign diplomatic missions, including the OSCE, UNHCR, IOM, and foreign embassies.
- Non-governmental organizations, think-tank and advocacy institutions in different fields seeking trained policy analysts, consultants, political correspondents, lobbyists, organizers and policy advisors.

## Title and Degree Earned Upon Graduation

Upon completion of the three-year **undergraduate study program** (180 ECTS credits), the students earn the degree of:

- **Bachelor of Arts in Political Science – concentration in Political Science and International Communication**
- **Bachelor of Arts in Political Science – concentration in Economic Diplomacy**

Upon completion of the **graduate study program**, the students earn the degree of:

- **Master of Arts in International Relations and Diplomacy**

Graduate studies are available as:

- one-year program (min. 60 ECTS), for students who have completed 4 years of undergraduate studies (4+1)
- two-year program (120 ECTS) for students who have completed 3 years of undergraduate studies (3+2)



## Political Science and International Communication

| Year 1            |                                                        |           |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Courses:          |                                                        | ECTS      |
| 1                 | Introduction to Politics                               | 6         |
| 2                 | World Language 1* (Italian, German, French or Spanish) | 6         |
| 3                 | Modern Europe                                          | 6         |
| 4                 | Sociology                                              | 6         |
| 5                 | Elective Course                                        | 6         |
| 6                 | Introduction to International Relations                | 6         |
| 7                 | English for Special Purposes                           | 8         |
| 8                 | World Language 2                                       | 6         |
| 9                 | Macedonian Language                                    | 2         |
| 10                | Macroeconomics                                         | 6         |
| 11                | Internship                                             | 2         |
| <b>Total ECTS</b> |                                                        | <b>60</b> |

| Year 1                                |                                  |   |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| Elective courses, 1 of the following: |                                  |   |
|                                       | Microeconomics                   | 6 |
|                                       | Composition 1                    | 6 |
|                                       | US History and Culture           | 6 |
|                                       | Computer Applications 1          | 6 |
|                                       | Computer Applications 2          | 6 |
|                                       | Introduction to Law              | 6 |
|                                       | Roman Law                        | 6 |
|                                       | Speech Communication             | 6 |
|                                       | Introduction to Management       | 6 |
|                                       | British Studies                  | 6 |
|                                       | Introduction to Literature       | 6 |
|                                       | Introduction to Creative Writing | 6 |

## Political Science and International Communication

| Year 2            |                                     |           |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------|
| Courses:          |                                     | ECTS      |
| 1                 | Constitutional Law                  | 6         |
| 2                 | EU Law, Institutions and Governance | 6         |
| 3                 | Research Methods                    | 6         |
| 4                 | World Language 3                    | 6         |
| 5                 | Elective Course                     | 6         |
| 6                 | International Public Law            | 6         |
| 7                 | International Business              | 6         |
| 8                 | Political Thought                   | 6         |
| 9                 | World Language 4                    | 6         |
| 10                | Comparative Politics Systems        | 6         |
| <b>Total ECTS</b> |                                     | <b>60</b> |

| Year 2                                               |  |   |
|------------------------------------------------------|--|---|
| Elective courses, 1 of the following:                |  |   |
| Administrative Law, Public Policy and Management     |  | 6 |
| Political Culture                                    |  | 6 |
| Nationalism and Ethnopolitics                        |  | 6 |
| Electoral Systems                                    |  | 6 |
| Regional Autonomy and Local Self-Government          |  | 6 |
| Cross-Border Policies and Governance                 |  | 6 |
| Environmental Law and Sustainable Development        |  | 6 |
| Critical Theory                                      |  | 6 |
| Global Understanding and Intercultural Communication |  | 6 |
| Literature, Film and Politics                        |  | 6 |

## Political Science and International Communication

| Year 3     |                                               |      |
|------------|-----------------------------------------------|------|
| Courses:   |                                               | ECTS |
| 1          | Geopolitics and International Security        | 6    |
| 2          | Media and Politics                            | 6    |
| 3          | Globalisation and International Communication | 6    |
| 4          | World Language 5                              | 6    |
| 5          | Elective Course                               | 6    |
| 6          | International Organisations                   | 6    |
| 7          | Social Psychology                             | 6    |
| 8          | Elective Course                               | 6    |
| 9          | World Language 6                              | 6    |
| 10         | Graduation Paper                              | 6    |
| Total ECTS |                                               | 60   |

| Year 3                                |  |   |
|---------------------------------------|--|---|
| Elective courses, 2 of the following: |  |   |
| International Human Rights            |  | 6 |
| Multiculturalism                      |  | 6 |
| Migration and Refugees                |  | 6 |
| East Asia in World Politics           |  | 6 |
| Conflict Management                   |  | 6 |
| Economic Diplomacy                    |  | 6 |

## Economic Diplomacy

| Year 1     |                                                        |      |
|------------|--------------------------------------------------------|------|
| Courses:   |                                                        | ECTS |
| 1          | Introduction to Politics                               | 6    |
| 2          | Modern Europe                                          | 6    |
| 3          | Sociology                                              | 6    |
| 4          | World Language 1* (Italian, German, French or Spanish) | 6    |
| 5          | Elective Course                                        | 6    |
| 6          | Introduction to International Relations                | 6    |
| 7          | Macroeconomics                                         | 6    |
| 8          | English for Special Purposes                           | 8    |
| 9          | World Language 2                                       | 6    |
| 10         | Macedonian Language                                    | 2    |
| 11         | Internship                                             | 2    |
| Total ECTS |                                                        | 60   |

| Year 1                                |                                  |   |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| Elective courses, 1 of the following: |                                  |   |
|                                       | Microeconomics                   | 6 |
|                                       | US History and Culture           | 6 |
|                                       | Composition 1                    | 6 |
|                                       | Computer Applications 1          | 6 |
|                                       | Computer Applications 2          | 6 |
|                                       | Introduction to Law              | 6 |
|                                       | Roman Law                        | 6 |
|                                       | Introduction to Management       | 6 |
|                                       | Speech Communication             | 6 |
|                                       | British Studies                  | 6 |
|                                       | Introduction to Literature       | 6 |
|                                       | Introduction to Creative Writing | 6 |

## Economic Diplomacy

| Year 2            |                                     |           |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------|
| Courses:          |                                     | ECTS      |
| 1                 | Constitutional Law                  | 6         |
| 2                 | EU Law, Institutions and Governance | 6         |
| 3                 | Research Methods                    | 6         |
| 4                 | World Language 3                    | 6         |
| 5                 | Elective Course                     | 6         |
| 6                 | International Public Law            | 6         |
| 7                 | International Business              | 6         |
| 8                 | Political Thought                   | 6         |
| 9                 | World Language 4                    | 6         |
| 10                | Comparative Politics Systems        | 6         |
| <b>Total ECTS</b> |                                     | <b>60</b> |

| Year 2                                               |  |   |
|------------------------------------------------------|--|---|
| Elective courses, 1 of the following:                |  |   |
| Administrative Law, Public Policy and Management     |  | 6 |
| Political Culture                                    |  | 6 |
| Nationalism and Ethnopolitics                        |  | 6 |
| Electoral Systems                                    |  | 6 |
| Regional Autonomy and Local Self-Government          |  | 6 |
| Cross-Border Policies and Governance                 |  | 6 |
| Environmental Law and Sustainable Development        |  | 6 |
| Critical Theory                                      |  | 6 |
| Global Understanding and Intercultural Communication |  | 6 |
| Literature, Film and Politics                        |  | 6 |

## Economic Diplomacy

| Year 3            |                                                     |           |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Courses:          |                                                     | ECTS      |
| 1                 | Geopolitics and International Security              | 6         |
| 2                 | Economic Diplomacy                                  | 6         |
| 3                 | Globalisation and International Communication       | 6         |
| 4                 | World Language 5                                    | 6         |
| 5                 | Elective Course                                     | 6         |
| 6                 | International Organizations                         | 6         |
| 7                 | Social Psychology                                   | 6         |
| 8                 | Business Module 1 (Entrepreneurship and e-Business) | 6         |
| 9                 | Business Module 2 (Business Law and Ethics)         | 6         |
| 10                | Graduation Paper                                    | 6         |
| <b>Total ECTS</b> |                                                     | <b>60</b> |

| Year 3                                |                             |   |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Elective courses, 1 of the following: |                             |   |
|                                       | Media and Politics          | 6 |
|                                       | International Human Rights  | 6 |
|                                       | Migration and Refugees      | 6 |
|                                       | Multiculturalism            | 6 |
|                                       | East Asia in World Politics | 6 |
|                                       | Conflict Management         | 6 |
|                                       | World Language 6            | 6 |

## International Relations and Diplomacy 3+2

| YEAR 1                            |           |                                                              |      |       |                |          |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------------------------------------|------|-------|----------------|----------|
|                                   | Code      | Course                                                       | ECTS | Hours | Instructor     |          |
|                                   |           | <i>First semester</i>                                        |      |       |                |          |
| 1                                 | POLT 4534 | Theory and Practice of International Relations and Diplomacy | 8    | 3+1   | M. Jazbec      |          |
| 2                                 | LEGL 4014 | International Public Law (advanced level)                    | 8    | 3+1   | S. Pendarovski |          |
| 3                                 | INTL 4014 | International Organizations and Multilateral Diplomacy       | 8    | 3+1   | O.Vangelov     |          |
| 4                                 |           | <i>Elective course</i>                                       | 6    | 2+1   |                |          |
|                                   |           | <i>Semester subtotal</i>                                     | 30   |       |                |          |
|                                   |           | <i>Second semester</i>                                       |      |       |                |          |
| 5                                 | POLT 4624 | Current Issues in International Relations and Diplomacy      | 8    | 3+1   | O. Vangelov    |          |
| 6                                 | POLT 4654 | EU Foreign and Security Policy                               | 8    | 3+1   | M. Andeva      |          |
| 7                                 | POLT 4004 | Diplomatic Protocol, Etiquette and Correspondence            | 8    | 3+1   | M. Jazbec      |          |
| 8                                 |           | <i>Elective course</i>                                       | 6    | 2+1   |                |          |
|                                   |           | <i>Semester subtotal</i>                                     | 30   |       |                |          |
|                                   |           | <i>Total</i>                                                 | 60   |       |                |          |
| YEAR 2                            |           |                                                              |      |       |                |          |
|                                   | Code      | Course                                                       | ECTS | Hours | Instructor     |          |
|                                   |           | <i>Third semester</i>                                        |      |       |                |          |
| 9                                 | RESM 5504 | Advanced Research Methods                                    | 8    | 3+1   | A. Tomovska    |          |
| 10                                | INTB 5754 | International Business and Economic Diplomacy                | 8    | 3+1   | M. Petreski    |          |
| 11                                | HRTS 5104 | Terrorism, Security and Protection of Human Rights           | 8    | 3+1   | S. Pendarovski |          |
| 12                                |           | <i>Elective course</i>                                       | 6    | 2+1   |                |          |
|                                   |           | <i>Semester subtotal</i>                                     | 30   |       |                |          |
|                                   |           | <i>Fourth semester</i>                                       |      |       |                |          |
| 13                                | THES 6008 | MA Thesis Writing Workshop                                   | 8    | 3+1   | I. Dodovski    |          |
|                                   | CPT 4099  | Internship                                                   | 2    |       |                |          |
|                                   | THES 5020 | MA thesis                                                    | 20   |       |                |          |
|                                   |           | <i>Semester subtotal</i>                                     | 30   |       |                |          |
|                                   |           | <i>Total</i>                                                 | 60   |       |                |          |
|                                   |           | <i>Degree total credits</i>                                  | 120  |       |                |          |
| Three of the following electives: |           |                                                              |      |       |                |          |
|                                   | Code      | Course                                                       | ECTS | Hours | Instructor     | Semester |
|                                   | POLT 4111 | Strategic Foresight and Futures Literacy                     | 6    | 2+1   | M. Andeva      | 1        |
|                                   | MNGT 5201 | Advanced Organisational Behaviour                            | 6    | 2+1   | V. Krliu       | 1        |
|                                   | HRTS 4451 | Global Migration                                             | 6    | 2+1   | M. Andeva      | 2        |
|                                   | INTL 4551 | Nationalism and Globalisation                                | 6    | 2+1   | O.Vangelov     | 2        |
|                                   | PSYC 4271 | Managing Diversity                                           | 6    | 2+1   | A. Tomovska    | 3        |
|                                   | MNGT 4531 | Leadership Engagement and Motivation                         | 6    | 2+1   | K. Trajkova    | 3        |

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