



Scienze Politiche (SPO)



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Key facts about the University and the Department SPS

- The University of Milano is the only Italian university among the 21 members of LERU (League of European Research Universities)
- It regularly ranks at the highest positions among Italian universities in the International rankings
- It offers 65 Bachelor programmes, 54 Master programmes and 31 Doctoral programmes, with a total amount of more than 60.000 students.
- The Department of social and political sciences has been ranked first among the large departments of social sciences in the last Italian research assessment exercise.
- The Department has been recognized to be excellent both in teaching and in research by the University evaluation exercise, based on a system of international referees.
- Our Department has cooperation agreements with more than 70 foreign universities in Europe.
- We have been the first Department of the University of Milano running a Bachelor programme entirely taught in English (besides several other Master programmes in English)

Advantages in studying in Milano

1. Study in one of the most prestigious and dynamic Italian university
2. Study in English (or Italian if you prefer) in a cosmopolitan environment, in a city that hosts 6 universities
3. Live in a modern and lively city, in a country famous for its cultural heritage, historical attractions and quality of life.
4. Choose to be among the first BA student that establish bridges between cultures, countries and educational systems

Bachelor degree in Political sciences entirely in English (track “Politics and Economics”)

Political sciences (SPO) in English is thought both for International students and for Italian ones that want to take a challenging and innovative path for earning their BA degree. It combines a multidisciplinary character with a specific focus on the complex intertwining between **Politics and Economics**.

The first two years include modules in contemporary history, economics, law, political science, and sociology. At the beginning of the last term of the second year, students move from generalist courses to a track that includes methodological courses such as Philosophy of Science and Polimetrics, classes in the field of Political science and Economics, plus Labs and elective courses.

This is the overall organization of the three-years programme.

1st year

Logic and Critical Thinking – 3 ects

Language in Politics – 9 ects

Contemporary History – 9 ects

Mathematics – 6 ects

Public Law – 9 ects

Sociology – 9 ects

History of Political Theories – 6 ects

Political Science – 9 ects

Microeconomics – 9 ects

2nd year

Introduction to European Private Law – 6 ects

Statistics – 6 ects

Political Philosophy – 6 ects

Macroeconomics – 6 ects

Social Research Methodology – 6 ects

Language assessment: French / German / Spanish – 6 ects

Philosophy of Economics – 9 ects

Polimetrics – 6 ects

3rd year

Comparative Political Systems – 9 ects

International Economics and Policy – 9 ects

Public Economics – 9 ects

Rationality, Behaviour and Institutions – 9 ects

Elective courses - 12 ects

Internships & labs – 3 ects

Final essay – 6 ects

Students are expected to have a sufficient knowledge of the English language, (B2/C1) and we will test it through a standardized English placement test. We will further check potential gaps in preparation with a non-selective entry-test. For further information: <http://www.spo.unimi.it/en/>

Bachelor degree in Political sciences in Italian (or partially in English).

Students may enroll in the **Political Sciences** Bachelor programme and decide to study in English (or Italian) for the first two years, while learning or improving their Italian language competences in order to complete the degree and study in Italian for the last courses.

There are four three-year tracks for this opportunity.

1. Democrazia, politiche, giustizia;
2. Diritto, integrazione e mercati;
3. Processi sociali;
4. Storia e cultura politica.

For further information: <http://www.spo.unimi.it> (in Italian)

Master in Economics and political science (EPS)

EPS is a master program integrating advanced analytical tools in Economics, Political sciences and Quantitative methods. Students will acquire a deep knowledge of the major international economic policy issues and will be trained to become key players and decision makers in global businesses, international organization and government agencies

For further information: <http://www.eps.unimi.it>

Master in Management of human resources and labour studies (MLS)

The MSc Management of Human Resources and Labour Studies programme is an innovative and highly challenging two-year course of study that provides a highly multidisciplinary foundation on human resources and labour studies, maintaining a strong business and management orientation.

For further information: <http://www.mls.unimi.it>

Master in Corporate and public communication (COM)

This master degree offers a range of specialisations in the professional fields of public and corporate communications, marketing, advertising and political communications. The educational and cultural project of the course aims to provide an interdisciplinary training with a strong link to the industry and advanced tertiary sectors in the Italian and international contexts, and to public and political organisations.

For further information: <http://www.com.unimi.it/en/>

PhDs offered by the Department SPS

Economic sociology and labour studies (ESLS)

The mission of this PhD programme is to give students both a strong disciplinary focus (in sociology, labour law, management and organizational behaviour, psychology of work) and a substantive attention to socio-economic behaviour and processes, in particular from the point of view of labour and organizations.

<http://www.nasp.eu/training/phd-programmes/esls.html>

Political studies (POLS)

The complexity of contemporary political processes and their interpretation require the mastering of specific knowledge and methods. In order to address these challenges, the Graduate School in Social and Political Sciences organizes a doctoral programme in Political Studies where the empirical-positive tradition and the theoretical-normative school are integrated coherently.

<http://www.nasp.eu/training/phd-programmes/pols.html>

Sociology and methodology of social research (SOMET)

The aim of this PhD programme is to provide structured training in theoretically-guided empirical research across a wide range of sociological fields and to introduce students to current international debates in both qualitative and quantitative social research.

<http://www.nasp.eu/training/phd-programmes/somet.html>

Information for incoming students

General information <http://www.unimi.it/ENG/courses/78653.htm>

Welcome desk <http://www.unimi.it/ENG/student/52904.htm>

How to reach us <http://www.unimi.it/ENG/student/33109.htm>

Internship, career, placement <http://www.unimi.it/ENG/student/29589.htm>

Scholarships and grants <http://www.unimi.it/ENG/student/29586.htm>

Accommodation <http://www.unimi.it/ENG/student/29584.htm>

Italian language <http://www.unimi.it/ENG/living/29625.htm>

Fees 2014/15 <http://www.unimi.it/ENG/courses/31194.htm>

Further information <http://www.unimi.it/ENG/student/31644.htm>

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The New York Times

[36 Hours in Milano](#)

Academic calendar

The Academic year is organized in three terms, each one lasting approximately 11 weeks.

The first one goes from mid of September to mid of December. The second from the beginning of January to the end of March. The last one from the beginning of April to the end of June