



Master Programme in Global Development Studies

The programme is a two-year, 120 ECTS full-time study consisting of a basis of 40 ECTS in mandatory courses, 30 ECTS for the master's thesis and 40 ECTS for elective courses, internship and/or exchange studies. Students can also take a 60 ECTS master's thesis and no elective courses in Year 2.

Year 1			
August Block	EDS201 Introduction to Development Studies (5 ECTS)		
Autumn Parallel	EDS305 Development Theory and Politics (10 ECTS)	EDS312 Research Methods (0 ECTS – credits awarded in spring)	Elective Course*
Spring Parallel	ECN352 Poverty and Inequality (10 ECTS)	Continued - EDS312 Research Methods (15 ECTS)	Elective Course*

Year 2			
Autumn Parallel	Elective Course*	Elective Course*	Elective Course*
Spring Parallel	M30- DS Master's Thesis (30 ECTS)		

*Students can choose from the recommended elective courses below or other NMBU courses at the 200 or 300 level:

[EDS313 Internship](#) (offered autumn or spring, 10 – 30 ECTS)

Autumn Semester

[EDS370 Gender and Development](#) (5 ECTS, August block)

[EDS225 Linking Ecological and Social Resilience](#) (10 ECTS, autumn parallel)

[EDS230 Global Development and Aid](#) (10 ECTS, autumn parallel)

[EDS260 Global Environmental Changes](#) (5 ECTS, autumn parallel)

[EDS285 Global Food Systems and Security](#) (10 ECTS, autumn parallel)

[EDS355 Climate Change and Society](#) (10 ECTS, autumn parallel)

[EDS379 Global Political Economy](#) (10 ECTS, autumn parallel)

Spring Semester

[EDS341 Decolonial Theory](#) (5 ECTS, January block)

[EDS349 Energy and Society](#) (5 ECTS, January block)

[EDS271 Introduction to Gender and Development](#) (10 ECTS, spring parallel, only through 2024)