



Master Programme in International Environmental Studies

The programme is a two-year, 120 ECTS full-time study consisting of a basis of 30 ECTS in mandatory courses, 20 ECTS in core 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	EDS303 Introduction to International Environmental Studies (5 ECTS)		
Autumn Parallel	EDS306 Green Transformations in Theory and Practice (10 ECTS)	EDS312 Research Methods (0 ECTS – credits awarded in spring)	Core Course*
Spring Parallel	Core Course*	Continued - EDS312 Research Methods (15 ECTS)	Elective Course**

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

*Students must select a minimum of 20 ECTS from these core courses:

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

[EDS330 Political Ecology](#) (10 ECTS, spring parallel)

[EDS348 Global Environmental Governance](#) (10 ECTS, spring parallel)

[EDS352 Agroecology and Development](#) (10 ECTS, spring parallel)

**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)

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

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

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

[EDS351 Ecological Economics and Degrowth](#) (10 ECTS, autumn parallel)

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

[EDS333 Practicum \(practice-based field course\)](#) (10 ECTS, June block)

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

Some possible exchange destinations for M-IES students in the third semester:

American University, Washington D.C., USA

ETH Zürich, Switzerland

Université Libre de Bruxelles, Belgium

University of Iceland, Iceland

Wageningen University, the Netherlands