



Universiteit Leiden

Course and Examination Regulations

Valid from 1 September 2012

Programme-specific section

Master's Programme: History (research)

These course and examination regulations have been drawn up in accordance with Section 7.13 of the Higher Education and Research Act [*Wet op het hoger onderwijs en wetenschappelijk onderzoek*] (WHW) (henceforth the Act) and additional quality marks as set out in the framework document Leiden University Register of Study Programmes [*Leids universitair register opleidingen*].

Pursuant to Section 7.14 of the Act the Faculty Board regularly evaluates the course and examination regulations and assesses, for the purpose of monitoring and, if necessary, adjusting the study load, the time it takes students to comply with the regulations. In conformity with Section 9.18 of the Act, the department teaching committee is assigned the task of annually assessing how the course and examination regulations are implemented.

These course and examination regulations consist of two sections: a general section that is the same for all programmes and a section that contains information that is specific to a particular programme. This programme-specific section forms a whole with the general section, and only contains the articles with content that is specific to a particular programme.

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Appendix D – Curriculum

Article 2.1 Objectives of the Programme

The programme has the following objectives:

1. to broaden and deepen the students' knowledge, understanding and skills, and train them in the use of scientific methods in the field of history;
2. to enable students to develop the following academic and professional skills:
 - a. the ability to solve academic problems independently, critically and creatively;
 - b. the ability to analyse complex problems;
 - c. the ability to clearly report academic results, both in writing and verbally;
3. to prepare students for an academic career at a university and/or for postgraduate programmes as well as for non-academic positions in the public or private sector for which advanced research skills and practical research experience are a prerequisite;
4. to prepare students for a career in the public and/or private sector.

Article 2.2 Specialisations

The programme has the following specialisations:

- Ancient History (research)
- European Expansion and Globalisation (research)
- Medieval and Early Modern European History (research)
- Migration and Global Interdependence (research)
- Political Culture and National Identities (research)

Article 2.3 Achievement Levels

Graduates of the programme have attained the following achievement levels:

Knowledge and understanding

1. Thorough knowledge and understanding of the specialisation, and its basic concepts, instruments, research methods and techniques, as well as of the historical development of the specialisation;
2. Thorough knowledge and understanding of the interdisciplinary aspects of the specialisation, both with regard to other historical specialisations and to related fields (law, economics and social sciences);
3. Understanding of the relevance of the specialisation to society.

Skills

4. The ability to independently identify and collect the literature and historical sources in the relevant specialisation using traditional and modern techniques;
5. The ability to independently study the literature and historical sources in the relevant specialisation and to judge their quality and reliability;
6. The ability to formulate a clear and well-founded thesis and to divide it into convenient and manageable parts;
7. The ability to give a clear and well-founded oral or written report on the research results meeting the criteria of the relevant specialisation;
8. The ability to initiate and conduct a research project under expert supervision.

Article 2.5 Study Load

The programme has a study load of 120 ECTS credits.

Article 2.8 Language of instruction

MIIn compliance with the Code of Conduct regarding Language of Instruction [*Gedragcode voertaal*] the language of instruction of the programme is English.¹ The student is expected to have a sufficient command of the language(s) of instruction of the programme.

Article 3.1 Compulsory Components

3.1.1 The programme includes compulsory components totalling a study load of 120 ECTS credits. These compulsory components are listed in Appendix D. The study load (in credits) and the level is listed per course.

Article 3.2 Freedom of Choice

The student can use the free space on the research master for training provided by national research schools.

Article 3.4 Participation in courses

Not applicable.

Article 4.2 Obligatory Order

Not applicable.

Article 5.1 Direct Admission

Not applicable.

Article 5.3 Entry Requirements

Without prejudice to the provisions of article 5.2.2 with regard to capacity, persons will be admitted to the programme who:

- have a demonstrable affinity and suitability for academic research, shown, for example, by excellent results; and
- possess knowledge, understanding and skills that have been acquired upon completion of a bachelor's programme that includes the General Academic Skills as listed in Appendix D and is preferably in History or a comparable degree with a relevant specialisation, and in particular:
 - Sufficient knowledge of French and German to be able to read texts;
- have earned a bachelor's degree at an academic university that is of an equal level to a Dutch bachelor's degree, or who can demonstrate that they meet the requirements for such a degree; and

in the opinion of the Faculty Board have a sufficient command of the language(s) of instruction of the programme (a score of 6.5 (IELTS) or 570/230/88-90 (TOEFL test)).

Article 5.5 Bridging Programme

Not applicable.

1. The Code of Conduct regarding Language of Instruction [*Gedragcode voertaal*] was adopted by the Executive Board on 11 July 2002 and can be found at on the following website: [media.leidenuniv.nl/legacy/language of instruction.pdf](http://media.leidenuniv.nl/legacy/language%20of%20instruction.pdf).

Masteropleiding 2012-2013
History (research)

Studiejaar	Semester	Cursustitel	Afstudeerrichting*	Studiegidsnummer	Werkvorm	Niveau	EC	Status
MA 1	I	Literature Seminar			wc	400	10	V
		Roman Social History	AH	5774LAH01				
		...	EEG	...				
MA 1	I	Research Seminar			wc	500	10	V
MA 1	I	Historical Theory			wc	500	10	V
MA 1	I/II	Graduate Seminar				600	0	
							30	
MA 1	II	Research Seminar			wc	500	10	V
		A famous inhabitant of the Roman empire: Jesus of Nazareth	AH					
MA 1	II	Tutorial			zs	500	10	V
MA 1	II	Historical Controversies			wc	600	10	V
							30	
MA 1	II	Literature Seminar			wc	400	10	V
MA 1	II	Research Seminar			wc	500	10	V
MA 1	II	Historical			wc	500	10	V

		Controversies						
MA 1	I/II	Graduate Seminar				600	0	
							30	
MA 1	II	Research Seminar			wc	500	10	V
MA 1	II	Tutorial			zs	500	10	V
MA 1	II	Historical Theory			wc	600	10	V
							30	
MA 2	I/II	Study abroad or optional courses. Choose from: ALL MA Research Seminars					20	V/K
MA 2	I/II	MA-Thesis				600	40	V
							60	

AH *Afstudeerrichting
Ancient History
(research)

EEG European
Expansion and
Globalisation
(research)

MEMEH Medieval and
Early Modern
European History
(research)

MGI Migration and
Global
Interdependence
(research)

PCNI Political Culture
and National
Identities
(research)