eGOVERNANCE

eGovernance and the digitalization of the public sector are most likely one of the most important reform trends for the future public sector. That's why the public sector of the future needs experts who combine knowledge in public administration and public management on the one hand, and information systems and eGovernance on the other hand. The Erasmus Mundus Master of Science in Public Sector Innovation and eGovernance is a new and unique programme delivering those experts.

WHY CHOOSE PIONEER?

- Do you want to specialize and advance your knowledge in public sector innovation?
- Are you interested in the actual and future challenges of the public sector?
- Do you want to be an expert in eGovernance and the digitalization of the public sector?
- Would you like to gain insight and competencies contributing to innovations to tackle the challenges public administrations are facing?
- Do you want to study at different established European Universities?

If your answers to the above questions are YES, then the Erasmus Mundus Master of Science in Public Sector Innovation and eGovernance (PIONEER) is the right type of programme for you!

ORGANISATION

PIONEER is:

a) A new Erasmus Mundus programme, subsidized by the Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency of the European Commission;
b) An interdisciplinary programme combining the expertise of the fields of Public Administration, Public Management, Information Systems and eGovernance;
c) An international initial Master of 120 ECTS, organized jointly by the University of Leuven, the University of Münster and the Tallinn University of Technology. The programme will allow you to study in at least three different countries, starting in Leuven for the 1st semester, continuing in Münster for the 2nd semester and in Tallinn for the 3rd semester. You will dedicate the final semester to your Master Thesis and can decide – according to your desired field of specialization – where to write it.

TARGET AUDIENCE

PIONEER wants to attract students from all over the world and from various disciplines with – at least – a bachelor degree in public administration, information systems, informatics, engineering, social sciences, political sciences, criminology, business, or law. Other applications will be taken into consideration based on the other selection criteria.

The programme has a number of important scholarships for which students can apply.
PROGRAMME

OBJECTIVES

What the pioneer programme has to offer you:

1) An advanced understanding of and insights into the disciplinary knowledge, specific to public management, public administration, information systems and eGovernance.
2) Specialised knowledge in public administration processes, and the necessary skills to dissect organisational processes to its basic units in order to improve organisational efficiency and effectiveness.
3) The necessary academic skills to build rapid proof of concepts, to reflect on approaches, to question assumptions and to assess ideas.
4) The necessary competencies to define and implement new methods and techniques for the benefit of the public sector. You will be able to translate new techniques successfully, given a profound knowledge of the public sector.
5) A higher level comprehension of how ICT and information sciences can be used in order to innovate proactively the public sector in a changing society.
6) A profound level of methodological and scientific research skills in order to start a PhD in one of the domains.
7) Excellent communication and project management skills so that you will be able to work in different fields of the public sector in terms of culture and work context.

SELECTION PROCEDURE

The admission policy is intended to ensure equal opportunity of access to higher education for qualified students. The programme will assess students individually on the basis of their previous academic record, a letter of motivation and the availability of places. More information on the selection procedure will follow very soon.

MORE INFORMATION

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