#### **CENTRAL EUROPEAN STUDIES**

### 1. Name of the master's program Central European Studies

#### 2. Level of qualification and professional qualification obtainable in the master's program

Indication on the diploma

Level of qualification: master's (magister, master; abbreviated: MA-) degree Professional qualification Certified Central European Studies graduate in the humanities Professional qualification in English: Central European Studies Expert

# 3. Field of study: humanities

#### 4. Programs accepted as prerequisites for admission to the master's program

#### 4.1. Full credit value may be taken into account for:

humanities in the fields of Hungarian, history, ethnography, Slavic studies, Romani studies, and liberal arts, German studies, ethnic German studies, Romance studies, Neo-Latin languages and cultures, Romanian and Italian specializations, and from the field of social sciences, social studies and sociology.

**4.2.** Credits earned in the areas of knowledge specified in Section 9.3 may also be taken into account: those undergraduate or master's degree programs, or programs in accordance with Act LXXX of 1993 on Higher Education, which are accepted by the credit transfer committee of the higher education institution on the basis of a comparison of the knowledge serving as the basis for the determination of credits.

#### 5. Duration of training in semesters: 4 semesters

#### 6. Number of credits required to obtain a master's degree: 120 credits

Orientation of the program: theory-oriented (60-70 percent)

Credit value assigned to the thesis: 20 credits

Minimum credit value assignable to elective courses: 6 credits

# 7. Classification of the field of study according to the unified classification system for professional training areas

Field of study classification: 312/0314

# 8. Training objectives and professional competencies of the master's program

The aim of the program is to train professionals who, with their acquired space-specific knowledge, are capable of performing foreign policy, economic analysis, research, representation, intercultural mediation, cultural diplomacy, and organizational tasks related to the Central European region in academia, the press, diplomacy, corporate work, minority organizations, and various cultural communities. They are prepared to continue their studies in doctoral programs.

#### 8.1. Professional competencies to be acquired

**Graduates of Central European Studies** 

### a) Knowledge

They are familiar with Central Europe's place in European history, the changes in the relationship between the region and the great powers, the threads that connect and divide the region, the region's characteristics, its developmental differences, and the reasons for these.

Can define Central Europe as a cultural region, the connections and characteristics of history, literature, fine arts, ethnography, music, film, language, economy, society, politics, culture, and the cultural, artistic, linguistic, historical, political, economic, and social influences on the region.

They are familiar with the role and significance of the nationality issue, the characteristics, successes, and failures of nation building, and the phenomena of multiculturalism in Central Europe.

They have mastered the methodology of research related to the region, the sub-disciplines dealing with the region, the use of modern communication tools, and electronic data management and data transfer.

They are familiar with the typical research questions and analytical methods of disciplines studying the region.

They know the technical terms of specific areas of the given disciplines.

They have mastered at least one language of the region at a basic level (B1), corresponding to the level of a written language exam.

#### b) abilities

to participate in the scientific life of the region, to present and discuss knowledge and research results at scientific forums in Hungarian and foreign languages, and to defend their position.

They are capable of disseminating high-level knowledge about the region and conducting research in domestic and foreign higher education (in a university research group).

They are capable of performing all tasks that require specific theoretical and practical knowledge of the Central European region at service and manufacturing companies. They are capable of performing analytical tasks related to the region.

They are capable of performing tasks that require knowledge of minority and ethnic issues in the region.

In accordance with the rules of the genres they have learned in their interdisciplinary training, they write and speak in a comprehensible and refined style and are able to compose clear, detailed texts on various topics.

#### c) Attitude

You have an interest in and commitment to the region.

You have independent, problem-solving thinking, creativity, a critical approach, a willingness to debate, a focus on values, sensitivity to quality, and a demand for quality work.

He has good communication skills in Hungarian and foreign languages.

He is characterized by a research attitude, conceptual thinking, the ability to think abstractly, a desire for systematic learning, the ability to renew himself, and the ability to absorb and process new knowledge.

Characterized by broad education, cultural sensitivity, intercultural openness, tolerance, and the protection and appreciation of the region's cultural heritage.

Considers the possibility of a multifaceted methodological approach to problems Characterized by initiative and cooperation skills.

Strives to develop general and language skills, professional awareness and self-education.

# d) Autonomy and responsibility

Cooperates effectively with cultural communities related to the Central European region.

Takes responsibility for Hungarian and foreign-language texts, applies knowledge acquired about the region, the languages spoken there, cultures, and nationalities. Consciously represents the body of knowledge and methods used to learn about the region, and accepts the different methodological characteristics of other disciplines.

They take responsibility for the professional development of the individuals and groups entrusted to them in the course of their work. They are open to the multi-ethnic and multilingual cultural background of the region.

#### 9. Characteristics of the master's program

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Has acquired at least one language of the region at a basic level (B1), corresponding to the level required for a written language exam.

### b) Skills

to participate in the scientific life of the region, to present and discuss knowledge and research results in scientific forums in Hungarian and foreign languages, and to defend their position.

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## 9. Characteristics of the master's program

#### 9.1. Professional characteristics

The disciplines and fields of study that make up the program and lead to professional qualification:

- knowledge necessary for deepening the level of knowledge required for a master's degree [history, society, cultural background of Central Europe, economics of Central Europe; cultural studies (ethnography, philosophy, literature, cultural history) Central European theories as formulated by the major powers, knowledge of specialist literature and sources, research methodology] 18-22 credits;
- knowledge ensuring professional knowledge and its applicability (Central Europe in the 19th-21st centuries: history, literature, arts, philosophy, ethnography, linguistics, contemporary economics, politics, society, minority and ethnic studies, knowledge of specialist literature and sources, research methodology; knowledge of a foreign language spoken in the region) 28-32 credits;
- optional subject-specific modules: 42-46 credits:
- cultural studies: literature of the region, cultural canons, their institutions, art and philosophy of the region, the relationship between the press and culture, differences between Central European narratives and Western and Eastern narratives, specialist literature and source knowledge, research methodology;
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sources, research methodology; knowledge of a foreign language spoken in the region) 28-32 credits;

- optional subject-specific modules: 42-46 credits:
- cultural studies: literature of the region, cultural canons, their institutions, art and philosophy of the region, the relationship between the press and culture, differences between Central European narratives and Western and Eastern narratives, specialist literature and source knowledge, research methodology;
- minority studies: the past and present of ethnic issues in Central Europe, the history of minority legal systems and minority legislation in individual states, international law and European regulations, state, educational and cultural institutions, linguistic coexistence and bilingualism, minority press, identity theories and national identities, specialist literature and sources, research methodology;
- Central European economics: economic theory, economic history, integration and disintegration in the 19th-21st centuries, the agricultural sector and industrialization attempts, current corporate structure, industry, banking sector, agricultural sector, investment and financial opportunities in the region, social structure, literature and source knowledge, research methodology;
- diplomacy: history of the region's international relations, foreign policy of the multi-ethnic Habsburg Empire, the era of small states between the two world wars, the Soviet era and its effects on the region, Central Europe and the European Union, disciplines related to diplomacy, the role of culture in diplomacy, knowledge of specialist literature and sources, research methodology.

## 9.3. Special features distinguishing the program

Admission to the master's program requires a state-recognized, intermediate (B2) level, complex language exam or equivalent high school diploma or certificate in English or German. In order to obtain a professional qualification in the master's program, students must also achieve a basic level (B1) of proficiency in another language of the Central European region.

# 9.4. Minimum requirements for admission to master's degree programs for holders of the diploma specified in section 4.2

In order to enter a master's program that differs from the bachelor's program, the minimum number of credits required based on previous studies is at least 50 credits based on bachelor's studies in the fields of history of philosophy, aesthetics, economics and social studies, international studies, political science, Romology, communication, modern and contemporary history, literary theory, linguistics, German studies, and Slavic studies.

Admission to a master's program requires that the student have at least 30 credits from previous studies. Missing credits must be obtained in accordance with the study and examination regulations of the higher education institution.