

# Master of Arts in Ethnic and Migration Studies

120 credits





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This Master's programme relates ethnicity and migration to global economic and cultural change, as well as to systems of domination and movements of resistance. The programme is interdisciplinary, integrating the humanities and the social sciences. It is animated by a commitment to critical, innovative and useful approaches to some of the most pressing issues and urgent concerns of the contemporary world order.



**Students of different** academic backgrounds are welcome to an international community with numerous visiting researchers and academic activities. You will attain a comprehensive grasp of the field of ethnic and migration studies and be prepared for positions in local, national and international organisations, administration, business, government, media and the cultural sector, as well as for post-graduate studies and research.

The programme consists of a mix of mandatory courses and electives that allow for individual specialisation, study abroad, internships and research tutorials with faculty. Teaching involves a high level of student participation in lectures, workshops, seminars.

Areas of focus include historical and sociological perspectives on the ways in which migration has shaped human history and society; in-depth theoretical knowledge in the field of intersectional migration studies and how race, ethnicity and migration relate to gender and sexuality; globalisation and its link to changing conditions for work and migration; the European Union migration

and asylum policies; the relation of race, ethnicity and migration to cultural and aesthetic expressions in narratives, visual arts, theatre and cinema; the biopolitics of migration and health, citizenship, inclusion and exclusion.

Faculty as well as guest professors make up an interdisciplinary and internationally experienced team, covering all aspects of the programme's curriculum and beyond. They are engaged in research concerning the issues addressed in the courses, thus making possible a direct connection between course content and on-going research in the various subfields of the programme.

**Example of specific focus areas:**

- Historical perspectives on ethnicity and migration
- Intersectional migration studies
- Changing frameworks for citizenship
- Migration and globalisation in post-colonial perspectives
- Race, ethnicity and migration in culture and the arts
- Migration and asylum policy in the European Union
- Migration and health

**See more in the specific course information**



## Course details

In the first two semesters students follow eight mandatory courses of theoretical, thematic as well as methodological profiles. In the third semester, the program allows students an individual specialisation through studies abroad, internships and elective courses. The fourth semester is mainly devoted to the composition of the master's thesis.

In addition to their course work, students follow a schedule of thematic seminars and tutorial meetings with the faculty. During their second year students attend seminars that address questions of method and topic selection in preparation for the master's thesis.

### Semester 1

- Historical perspectives on ethnicity and migration, 7.5 credits
- The world system in the post-colonial era, 7.5 credits
- Class, labour migration and globalization, 7.5 credits
- Methodologies in ethnic and migration studies, 7.5 credits

### Semester 2

- Intersectional migration studies – bodies, genders, sexualities, 7.5 credits
- Race, ethnicity and migration in culture and the arts, 7.5 credits
- Migration an asylum policy in the European Union, 7.5 credits
- Critical cases in ethnic and migration studies, 7.5 credits



## Semester 3

In the third semester, students can select a profile of specialization. This is done either through studies abroad (see below) for the entire semester, or by following elective courses in the second half of the semester, or by internship in the second half of the semester. If the student chooses elective courses or an internship in the second half of the semester, he or she follows two campus-based courses at REMESO in the first half:

### **Migration, Health and Biopolitics, 7.5 credits**

Health and care within a context of intersectional theories of migration, ethnicity and racism. Taking as its starting point the fact that bodies, emotions and close personal relations are affected by migration processes, ethnic affiliation, and racialized structures, the course examines how this is manifested at both individual and group level, as well as in relation to the welfare state and the market.

### **Inclusion, citizenship and exclusion, 7.5 credits**

Against the background of earlier courses within the programme, this course looks at inclusion and exclusion in society and culture. Students will be able to examine, for instance, how structural discrimination, racialization and racism are articulated within the economy and working life, in the welfare system and the school. The course also address how social movements and civil society actors work to prevent exclusion and subordination of migrants and minorities.

### **Option: Elective course/s, 15 credits or Internship, 15 credits**

During the second half of the third semester, students can take one or more elective courses on advanced level within Linköping University or at other universities (for a total of 15 credits). Alternatively, students can choose to do an internship in the second half of the semester.

### **Option: Studies abroad, 30 credits**

Students can do their third semester of studies abroad. Options include partner programmes in Ethnic and Migration Studies in Europe and Africa as well as Linköping University's many exchange places throughout the world. Students can also apply for the EuMIGS Double Degree, a European Master's in Migration Studies, with the second year of studies at University of Osnabrück (Germany), University of Neuchâtel (Switzerland) or University of Coruña (Spain).

## Semester 4

### **Master's Thesis 30 credits**

The topic of the master's dissertation is decided together with the supervisor. The master's thesis shall be written within the main area of study, Ethnic and Migration Studies. The thesis is a substantial work of independent research. It is normally written in English and presented at a thesis seminar in early June.



## Research

Linköping University is a research-based university with excellence in education. A trade mark is the interdisciplinary perspective, the openness towards combining different subjects.

Ethnic and Migration Studies is a strong interdisciplinary research field at LiU. It is pursued at different institutes, departments and units. REMESO - the Institute for Research on Migration, Ethnicity and Society, is the strongest hub, but the field is growing and have bearing for most disciplines within social science and humanistic research as well as education and health.

At REMESO focus lies on causes of, conditions for and consequences of international migration, racism, discrimination and intergration policy. Economic, political, social and cultural processes in both the 'old'

and 'new' homeland that enable or impede migration and inclusion in society are studied, often against a background of globalisation, European integration and labour market and welfare changes.

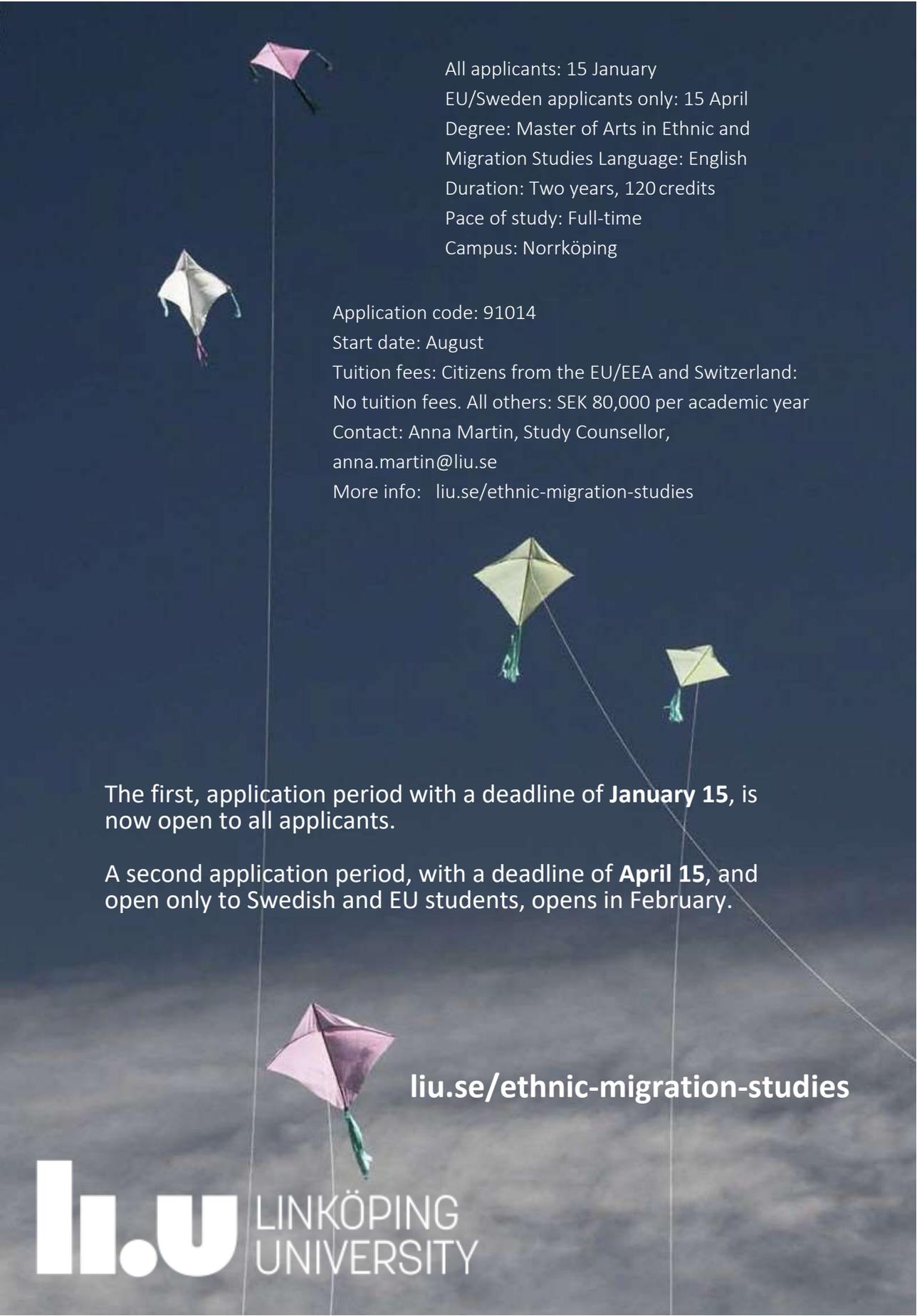
The Master's Programme in Ethnic and Migration Studies is thus set in a vital international community of students and faculty with numerous visiting researchers engaged in activities at REMESO: the seminars, symposia and conferences, the PhD program in Ethnic and Migration Studies and the International Graduate School in Migration, Ethnicity and Society. The International Master's Programme is fully integrated into all of these activities and is also able to benefit from the ample resources in the field at other departments.

**To learn more: [www.liu.se/ethnic-migration-studies](http://www.liu.se/ethnic-migration-studies)**

## Career opportunities

As the programme offers possibilities of studies abroad, elective courses and internships, students may tailor their education towards a special interest, profession or field of expertise. Especially during their second year of study, students have a possibility to try out or take concrete steps towards a professional career in chosen fields or with chosen organisations and employers. The programme prepares for wide seg-

ments of the labour market, wherever expertise in migration and ethnic relations is needed, including work in governmental and non-governmental organisations, local and regional administration, business and communication, social work and activism, cultural analysis, journalism and commentary in the public sector, as well as further postgraduate studies and research.



All applicants: 15 January  
EU/Sweden applicants only: 15 April  
Degree: Master of Arts in Ethnic and  
Migration Studies Language: English  
Duration: Two years, 120 credits  
Pace of study: Full-time  
Campus: Norrköping

Application code: 91014

Start date: August

Tuition fees: Citizens from the EU/EEA and Switzerland:

No tuition fees. All others: SEK 80,000 per academic year

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The first, application period with a deadline of **January 15**, is now open to all applicants.

A second application period, with a deadline of **April 15**, and open only to Swedish and EU students, opens in February.

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