

- ▶ The Philipps-Universität Marburg was founded in 1527. It is one of Germany's oldest universities and the oldest Protestant university in the world. A place for research and teaching for almost five-hundred centuries, it offers an extensive range of degree programmes.
- ▶ With around 25,000 students, 12 percent from abroad, the Philipps-Universität is one of Germany's mid-sized universities. It consists of 16 faculties. Through innovative teaching and interdisciplinary research, it offers students from around the world the opportunity to acquire internationally recognized qualifications and to work in various disciplines.
- ▶ Marburg itself is famous for its medieval churches as well as its picturesque historic city centre full of typical German timber-frame houses and narrow alleys winding their way up the hill to Landgrave Castle perched above the city. In the summer, the meadows along the Lahn River are a popular meeting place for young and old. In short: Marburg is one of the best places to live and study, and one of Germany's most beautiful cities.

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Department of Social Sciences and Philosophy



The Department...

...consists of five different institutes:

- Philosophy
- Political Science
- Sociology
- European Ethnology/Cultural Studies
- Social Anthropology and Study of Religions

In addition, there are four independent centers that cooperate in teaching and research with the department:

- Center for Conflict Studies (CCS)
- Center for Gender Studies and Feminist Research
- Center for Interdisciplinary Studies of Religions
- Center for Near and Middle Eastern Studies (CNMS)

Incoming students are welcome to choose their courses from all classes taught at the Department of Social Sciences and Philosophy. The general language of instruction is German. However, we also regularly offer courses in English across the different institutes. Please find the course list on:

<https://marvin.uni-marburg.de>

Degree Programmes

The Department of Social Sciences and Philosophy offers

Bachelor degree programmes in:

- Comparative Studies in Culture and Religions
- Philosophy
- Political Science
- Sociology

Master degree programmes in:

- Cultural and Social Anthropology
- Cultural Studies
- International Development Studies
- Middle Eastern Politics and Economics
- Peace and Conflict Studies
- Peace and Conflict Studies (International Joint Degree with the University of Kent/UK)
- Philosophy
- Political Integration and Economic Globalisation
- Political Science
- Sociology
- Study of Religions

Teacher training (secondary level) in:

- Ethics
- Philosophy
- Political Science and Economics

Research

Research at the Department of Social Sciences and Philosophy covers a broad range of areas. The department's institutes and centers share a social science-based orientation and a reflective, problem-oriented and responsible understanding of science. Furthermore, it is part of the department's tradition – in the sense of Enlightenment – to contribute with its research to the cultural, social and political debate.

Some of the main areas of interest are critical security studies, politics and gender, Transitional Justice, processes of socio-cultural transformation and religious dynamics, Europeanization and ethnicization, conflict and development as well as the philosophy of Enlightenment.

All our academics maintain close cooperation with national and international scientific institutions. Following the link below, you will find detailed information on each department's and center's ongoing and completed research projects.

<https://www.uni-marburg.de/de/fb03/forschung/forschungsprojekte>

