Admission Regulations for the European Master of Arts in Migration and Intercultural Relations (EMMIR)

at

Carl von Ossietzky Universität Oldenburg (Germany), Ahfad University for Women (Sudan), Jihočeská univerzita v Českých Budějovicích (Czech Republic), Makerere University Kampala (Uganda), Mbarara University of Science and Technology (Uganda), Universitetet i Stavanger (Norway), Univerza v Novi Gorici (Slovenia)

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- The universities offering the European Master in Migration and Intercultural Relations approved the following Admission Regulations for the European Master in Migration and Intercultural Relations on 31. August 2010

- Carl von Ossietzky Universität Oldenburg has passed the following Admission Regulations for the European Master in Migration and Intercultural Relations by its School of Linguistics and Cultural Studies on August 8th, 2010 (approved by the Presidential Chair on July 3rd, 2012 and the Ministry of Science and Culture in Lower Saxony = ‘Niedersächsisches Ministerium für Wissenschaft und Kultur’ on July 13th, 2012, Az. 27.5-74508-113).

- Ahfad University for Women has approved the following Admission Regulations for the European Master in Migration and Intercultural Relations.

- Jihočeská univerzita v Českých Budějovicích has approved the following Admission Regulations for the European Master in Migration and Intercultural Relations.

- Mbarara University of Science and Technology has approved the following Admission Regulations for the European Master in Migration and Intercultural Relations.

- Makerere University Kampala has approved the following Admission Regulations for the European Master in Migration and Intercultural Relations.

- Universitetet i Stavanger has approved the following Admission Regulations for the European Master in Migration and Intercultural Relations.

- Univerza v Novi Gorici has approved the following Admission Regulations for the European Master in Migration and Intercultural Relations.

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A
Consortium Committee

§ 1
Tasks of the EMMIR Consortium Committee

The Consortium Committee, constituted according to the Consortium Agreement, conducts the admis-
sions procedure, monitors the implementation of EMMIR, and organises the examinations according
to the tasks listed in these regulations.

§ 2
Faculty and Staff Members
of the Consortium Committee

The Consortium Committee consists of two repre-
sentatives from each partner university.

§ 3
Consortium Committee Selection Board

One of the two representatives per partner uni-
sity is appointed to be a member in the Consortium
Committee Selection Board. The Selection Board is
responsible for the selection of students according
to § 7 and § 8.

§ 4
Students’ Representatives
in the Consortium Committee

The students of EMMIR elect two student repre-
sentatives to be members of the Consortium Com-
mitee. The student representatives are granted
advisory votes in questions pertaining to examina-
tions and are consulted in the process of monitoring
the course of study.

B
Admission Regulations

§ 5
Date of Admission

(1) The date of commencement of the programme
will be announced by the EMMIR Consortium
Committee a minimum of one year prior to registra-
tion.

§ 6
Admission Requirements

(1) Admission requirements incorporate the na-
tional admission requirements of each partner uni-
versity. Admission requirements for EMMIR are as
follows:

(2) The programme builds upon a first degree
such as a Bachelor’s degree (or an equivalent qualifi-
cation) in a field related to migration studies: Social
sciences, History, Cultural studies, Educational
sciences, Law, Economics, and Journalism.

(3) The final grade of the first degree must be a
minimum (or equivalent) of C+ (US-American letter
grade, equivalent to GPA 2,3 or German grade 2,7)
and proven by certificates. Preliminary transcripts
are acceptable when applying, but the final degree
certificate is required before the start of the pro-
gramme.

(4) Applicants have to document knowledge of
migration studies, intercultural relations and empiri-
cal methods. Modules completed at the undergrad-
uate level, papers, essays and examination results
are considered valid documentation. Preference will
also be given to qualified applicants who, in addi-
tion, have relevant professional experience.

(5) Applicants whose native language is not Eng-
ish or whose undergraduate instruction was not in
English must demonstrate proficiency in English by
the application deadline. Acceptable tests of English
language competence are:

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<td>2 years</td>
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<td>2 years</td>
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<td>IELTS (International English Language Test)</td>
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<td>2 years</td>
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<td>MELAB (Michigan English Language Assessment Battery)</td>
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Equivalent alternatives may be considered upon request.

(6) Non-native English speakers who fall in one of
the following categories may request an English
language proficiency waiver, for example:

- applicants from countries where English is
  one of several official languages,
• applicants who have obtained their undergraduate degree from an English-language university,

• applicants who, within the past five years, had spent a minimum of two consecutive academic years of study at a recognized English-language university or institution of higher education.

Anyhow, in each of the above cases the Consortium Committee reserves the right to request evidence of English language proficiency.

(7) Applicants whose native language is English must demonstrate proficiency in a second language relevant to migration studies by the application deadline at a level corresponding to the list in (5) or (6). Applicants might be asked to justify the language’s relevance to migration studies.

§ 7
Application for Admission

(1) Applicants have to fill in the application form provided on the course website and address it to the University of Oldenburg including all relevant attachments according to (2).

(2) The application must include the following documents in English. Documents in languages other than English have to be accompanied by certified translation into English.

• proof of admission requirements according to § 6,

• applicant’s CV detailing professional career (including certificates of advanced training, if available)

• a Statement of Purpose clarifying the applicant’s motivation to study the course. Applicants are especially asked to elaborate on their professional or practical experience in the field of migration or migration studies.

• if the applicant wants to apply for an Erasmus Mundus scholarship, he/she has to include the relevant form provided on the course website.

(3) Applicants will be pre-screened by the coordinating institution. The final assessment will be carried out by the Consortium Committee Selection Board (see § 8).

(4) The deadline for applications will be announced by the Consortium Committee minimum of 4 months prior to the respective date.

(5) Applicants who fail to provide the documents mentioned in (2) will be exempted from the further application procedures.

(6) The Consortium Committee Selection Board compiles a ranking list of applicants; based on the ranking list students will be admitted according to the agreed number of study places.

(7) Subsequently the Consortium Committee Selection Board will select the students to be awarded with an Erasmus Mundus scholarship based on their scholarship application, their position on the ranking list and in accordance with Erasmus Mundus guidelines.

§ 8
Selection Criteria

(1) The Consortium Committee Selection Board takes into account the following:

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<td>Level of academic qualification</td>
<td>2</td>
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<td>Relevance of academic qualification</td>
<td>1</td>
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<tr>
<td>Relevance and level of research/professional experience</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>30 %</td>
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<td>Statement of Purpose</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>10 %</td>
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<td>Proficiency in second/third language</td>
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3 points = excellent
2 points = very good
1 point = good
0 points = weak/not pertinent/not available

(2) A ranking list of applicants is compiled based on the weighted average of all Selection Board members’ votes.

§ 9
Decisions on Admission or Rejection

(1) Applicants accepted in accordance with § 6 will receive notification of acceptance from the University of Oldenburg, as well as a Letter of Acceptance from the Consortium Committee. The notification of acceptance contains a deadline by which the applicant must register for the programme. If this deadline is not met, the notification of acceptance will be null and void.
(2) If one or more places is/are still available after the deadline for registration expired, a corresponding number of applicants, who did not initially receive notification of acceptance, will be admitted according to the ranking order achieved.

(3) The admission procedure will be closed by 16 July.

(4) Applicants who are not accepted will receive a notification of rejection together with a statement of the right to appeal.

§ 10 Participation Costs

(1) The Consortium charges the following participation costs:

- 2000 € per semester for residents from a member state of the European Union, an EEA-EFTA state, Turkey, the Western Balkan countries and Switzerland.

- 4000 € per semester for residents of states not mentioned above.

(2) The participation costs do not include the hosting university’s registration and student service fees, room and board as well as other living expenses.

§ 11 Part-time Study

The Consortium does not make provisions for part-time study at the present time.

C Final regulations

§ 12 Date of Coming into Force

These regulations are approved by all universities offering the European Master of Arts in Migration and Intercultural Relations and shall come into force after approval by Niedersächsisches Ministerium für Wissenschaft und Kultur ((MWK), Ministry of Science and Culture in Lower Saxony) on the day after they have been published in Amtliche Mitteilungen – Carl von Ossietzky Universität Oldenburg (Official Reports of the University of Oldenburg).