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THE NORDIC MASTER PROGRAMME

The Nordic Master Programme: excellence through mobility and academic partnerships – *be part of it in 2013*



Be a part of a growing programme!

In 2013, the funding limit per programme for the planning and start-up phases is DKK 1,100,000. The Norwegian Centre for International Co-operation in Education (SIU) manages the programme on behalf of the Nordic Council of Ministers.

For further information about the current call for proposals, please refer to www.siu.no, or contact: Senior Advisor Frank Moe frank.moe@siu.no, tel. +47 5530 3848

The Nordic Master programme is a new, high-profile Nordic Council of Ministers' initiative to internationalise higher education, improve student mobility and attract talented students to the Region.

The minimum of three Nordic Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) are needed to form a consortium and apply to the Council of Ministers for funding of up to DKK 1,100,000 for the planning and start-up phases of a programme.

To date, 18 Nordic Master programmes have been set up. They cover a wide range of academic disciplines, and involve 40 HEIs. Mobility is a key component, and most students spend at least six months at two or more partner universities during the two-year programme, which has proven attractive to both Nordic (40%) and non-Nordic students (60%).

High level of satisfaction among students...

Up to 70% of current students say that they particularly liked the idea

of studying in more than one Nordic country. They also feel that the programme will be valuable for them in their future careers.

... and partner institutions

The Nordic Council of Ministers' funding has been crucial for HEIs wishing to establish new joint or dual degrees.

"The Innovative and Sustainable Energy Engineering (ISEE) programme has allowed us to offer a very wide variety of courses with strong links to the research specialities of the partners involved. It would be extremely difficult for a single university to offer such a range of courses. The ISEE programme also represents a fantastic networking opportunity for students and faculty." – Professor Andrew Martin, outgoing co-ordinator for the Nordic

Master Programme in ISEE, KTH Royal Institute of Technology, Sweden

"The funding provided by the Council of Ministers has facilitated the development of a Nordic MA programme with a unique core content unrivalled anywhere in the world. As a result, we have attracted Nordic, European, African, American and Asian students, increasing the level of internationalisation in our departments and in relation to the recruitment of PhD students. Working together at MA level has provided a further boost to existing Nordic collaboration on research and postgraduate studies within our field." – Associate Professor Jakob Engberg, co-ordinator for the Nordic Master in the Religious Roots of Europe, Århus University, Denmark.





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“I feel my later professional life will be easier because of this programme.” – Nordic Master student from Germany

“It is not only a Master’s programme, but a good chance for mobility and cultural exchange. A chance to meet people from all over the world.” – Nordic Master student from China

“It is especially clear to me now, when I see some of my friends struggling with their PhD studies, how much I’ve benefited from the Nordic Master Programme.” – Nordic Master student from Finland, now studying for a PhD

Current Nordic Master programmes and co-ordinating HEIs

Nordic Master in:

- **Gerontology** (NordMaG) (University of Jyväskylä)
- **Plant Pathology** (NorPath) (Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences)
- **the Religious Roots of Europe** (Århus University)
- **Marine Ecosystems and Climate** (University of Bergen)
- **Innovative and Sustainable Energy Engineering** (KTH Royal Institute of Technology)
- **Innovative Information and Communication Technologies** (iICT) (University of Turku)
- **Computational Chemistry and Physics** (University of Tromsø)
- **Maritime Engineering** (Technical University of Denmark)
- **Didactics of Mathematics** (University of Agder)
- **Viking and Medieval Norse Studies** (University of Iceland)
- **Aquatic Food Production – Safety and Quality** (AQFood) (Technical University of Denmark)
- **Environmental Engineering** (eNviro5Tech) (Technical University of Denmark)
- **Sustainable Urban Transitions** (Chalmers University of Technology)
- **Biodiversity and Systematics** (Göteborg University)
- **Vision Rehabilitation** (Buskerud University College)
- **Polymer Technology** (KTH Royal Institute of Technology)
- **Managing Societal Development in the High North** (DEV4NORA) (University of Iceland)
- **Nordic Mining School** (Luleå University of Technology)