Programme overview

Human Geography covers a wide range of topics – from environmental and landscape changes to planetary urbanisation and economic crises. The scope of the subject is such that it will give you an excellent scientific base that can easily be combined with other academic subjects.

The Master’s programme in Human Geography aims to provide students with:

• knowledge of the development of theories in human geography and their relations to theories in other social and environmental sciences.
• understanding of the spatial dimensions of social, economic, cultural and environmental processes and their importance for welfare and living conditions in various geographical contexts.
• skills in methods and the use of advanced tools to analyse the complex relations between development processes on local, regional, national and global scales.
• competence to carry out scientific investigations, analyses and advanced planning related to political, economic, social and environmental issues in an increasingly complex world.

The main areas of study included in the programme are social and cultural geography, economic geography and environmental studies.

Programme modules/courses

COURSES AND NUMBER OF CREDITS: Geographical Thought (7.5), Geographies of Economies: Transforming Places, People and Production (7.5), Transdisciplinary Critical Theory of Science (7.5), Landscape and Political Ecology (7.5), Geographies of Economies: Urban and Regional Planning (7.5), Critical Urban Geography (7.5), GIS: Geographical Information Systems for the Social Sciences (7.5), GIS and Fieldwork Methodology (7.5), elective courses and/or internship (30), Master’s thesis.

Career prospects

Studies in human geography prepare you for a career in physical planning, environmental issues, urban development, landscape changes or economic development.

Entry requirements and how to apply

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
A Bachelor’s degree in human geography or equivalent. To be eligible for the programme, students must also have a minimum average grade in their Bachelor’s studies equivalent to 3.0 in cumulated grade point average (CGPA) out of 4, C in the ECTS grading scale, and B in the American grading scale. For students with Swedish undergraduate studies the minimum requirement is G. English 6/English Course B. See www.lunduniversity.lu.se for details on English proficiency levels.

“What drew me to the Master’s programme in Human Geography was the possibility to study an almost limitless set of issues tied to how various urban and rural spaces are produced, construed, appropriated, lived, struggled over, and destroyed. I also really appreciated how teaching premiered messy, and sometimes contradictory, real processes over simplified theoretical models.”

Erik Jönsson from Sweden, now postdoctoral researcher at Lund University and UC, Berkeley
HOW TO APPLY
1. Apply online: Go to www.lunduniversity.lu.se/human-geography. Click on “Apply” and follow the instructions for the online application at www.universityadmissions.se, the Swedish national application website. Rank the chosen programmes in order of preference.
2. Submit your supporting documents:
   • **General supporting documents:** Check what documents you need to submit (i.e. official transcripts, degree diploma/proof of expected graduation, translations, proof of English, passport) and how you need to submit them at www.universityadmissions.se.
   • **Programme-specific supporting documents:** When applying for the Master’s in Human Geography – Urban Studies, you also need to submit a statement of purpose with your application (the template is found at www.keg.lu.se).
3. Pay the application fee (when applicable).

SELECTION CRITERIA/ADDITIONAL INFO
Selection is based on grades in the courses, the BA degree thesis, and the statement of purpose.

TUITION FEES
There are no tuition fees for EU/EEA citizens. For non-EU/EEA citizens the tuition fee for this programme is SEK 100 000 per year. For details on tuition fees, see page www.lunduniversity.lu.se

About the Department of Human Geography
The Department of Human Geography is a dynamic entity of the University of Lund, with a strong international reputation in both research and education in human geography. The Department is active in economic geography, historical and landscape geography, environmental geography, urban/social/political geography, and development geography.

About Lund University
Lund University was founded in 1666 and is repeatedly ranked among the world’s top 100 universities. The University has 42 000 students and more than 7 680 staff based in Lund, Helsingborg and Malmö. We are united in our efforts to understand, explain and improve our world and the human condition.

Lund is Sweden’s most attractive study destination. The University offers one of the broadest ranges of programmes and courses in Scandinavia, based on cross-disciplinary and cutting-edge research. The compact university campus encourages networking and creates the conditions for scientific breakthroughs and innovations. The University has a clear international profile, with partner universities in over 70 countries.

Two of the world’s leading materials research facilities are currently under construction in Lund: the MAX IV Laboratory, inaugurated in June 2016, is the leading synchrotron radiation facility in the world, and the European research facility ESS, which will house the world’s most powerful neutron source.

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