

Master's Degree Programme in European Forestry (MSc EF)

Description of the programme

Master of Science in European Forestry (MSc EF) is an [Erasmus+: Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degree Programme \(EMJMD\)](#) in the field of forest sciences. It is one of the first EMJMD programmes in the world that has been accredited according to the European approach for the quality assurance of the joint programmes.

MSc EF is a two-year integrated and interdisciplinary programme providing academic education in the field of sustainable resource management with an emphasis on recent opportunities and challenges in the bioeconomy. MSc EF offers a new approach to the markets in forestry and nature management and it connects the increasing number of forest related issues with European dimension at inter-national as well as national levels. The curriculum of the programme is specifically designed to take into consideration the needs of potential employers. Therefore, our graduates are highly valued by national and international agencies, governmental bodies, NGOs, research institutions and timber, paper and pulp enterprises.

In MSc EF, six European top-class forestry universities collaborate intensively to offer joint study modules in addition to their existing curricula. The MSc EF Consortium consists of:

- University of Eastern Finland (coordinator)
- AgroParisTech, France
- University of Freiburg, Germany
- University of Lleida, Spain
- University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences Vienna, Austria
- Transilvania University of Braşov, Romania.

In addition to the six Full Partners, Associated Partner HEIs in Brazil, Canada and China and Associated Industrial and Associated Scientific Partners contribute to the programme delivery.

Each student is awarded, upon completion of the MSc EF programme, a double degree certificate by two of the MSc EF partner universities: the two-degree awarding universities are the University of Eastern Finland, and the MSc EF partner university where the student carries out the majority of the studies during the second academic year. In addition to degree certificates, the graduates receive Diploma Supplements that describe the contents of the programme.

The study plans of the students are monitored and agreed by MSc European Forestry secretariat. Admission requirements are a BSc in Forestry or related sciences and a good working knowledge of English. The study language is English. The programme starts at the beginning of August. Further information is available at: www.europeanforestry.eu

Learning outcomes

The overall objective of the MSc EF programme is to educate professionals who have thorough understanding in sustainable forest bioeconomy as well as in European business culture.

Structure of the studies

The 120 ECTS study programme consists of the three modules as well as elective courses. After completing the Module 1, students have become familiar with the professional perspectives in forest sciences while after completing the Module 2, students have received practical perspective and introduction to the working life. After completing Module 3 students have received specific knowledge and skills from a variety of courses their second-year host university provides. Elective courses of the first academic year provide students a possibility to deepen their knowledge and skills on their desired topics. The details of curriculum for 2021 – 2022 are presented on [programme web -pages](#).

During the academic year 2021-2022 the courses included in the study structure will be switched to online teaching in case the coronavirus pandemic requires so.