

# SHAPE YOUR FUTURE

undergraduate studies

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## EARN A DEGREE ACCREDITED IN AUSTRIA AND THE U.S.

### ENRICH A COMMUNITY

At CEU, our community is our strength – sharing experience, knowledge and ideas across disciplines, cultures and backgrounds. Made up of students and faculty from over 100 countries, we work together in the spirit of supporting open and democratic societies that respect human rights and the rule of law. This has been CEU's mission since its founding in 1991.

Our English-language bachelor's programs, accredited in Austria and the U.S., nurture critical, analytical and creative thinkers who seek solutions to the complex problems of our world. **WE ARE CEU. COME JOIN US.**

### GAIN A GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE

Are you a pioneer, a dreamer, a problem solver, a leader? Then CEU is for you. Here, you'll join a diverse and close-knit community, study with leading professors and have your voice heard in small classes, get individual attention and make friends for life. During your studies, you can also choose to do an internship as well as study abroad to enrich your experience.

CHOOSE FROM ★ BA IN CULTURE, POLITICS AND SOCIETY ★ BA IN PHILOSOPHY, POLITICS AND ECONOMICS ★ BA/BSC IN DATA SCIENCE AND SOCIETY ★

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U-MULTIRANK 2022 HIGHER EDUCATION PERFORMANCE IN AUSTRIA

24th

QS WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKINGS 2022 IN POLITICS & INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

33rd

QS WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKINGS 2022 IN PHILOSOPHY

TOP100

QS WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKINGS 2022 IN HISTORY, SOCIOLOGY, AND SOCIAL POLICY & ADMINISTRATION

TOP150

QS WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKINGS 2022 IN LAW & LEGAL STUDIES

### BA IN CULTURE, POLITICS AND SOCIETY

OUR POST-TRUTH WORLD NEEDS INDEPENDENT THINKERS WHO CAN ★ manage the flood of information and disinformation, and select what is true ★ use cutting-edge multimedia tools to convey their ideas ★ ask the big questions, exchange ideas with others and pursue solutions ★

Students acquire these skills – the ability to separate fact from fabrication, decipher classical texts and statistical data, understand social media algorithms, produce knowledge and convey it effectively using various media. These skills are taught alongside a broad liberal arts education, culminating in an interdisciplinary major covering subjects such as sociology, political science, international relations, environmental science, gender studies or history. → [undergraduate.ceu.edu/bachelor-degree-culture-politics-society](https://undergraduate.ceu.edu/bachelor-degree-culture-politics-society)

Professor [Michael Dorsch](#), director of the program, is an applied economist, mostly interested in political and public economics. He has also held positions at a number of prestigious universities in Europe. Whenever he develops a course, he follows a simple question: "What is the kind of class that I wish I could have taken on this subject?"

#### FIND YOUR PASSION

★ *From the second year onwards, you can choose from one of three interdisciplinary majors covering a wide range of subjects* ★ Cultural and Historical Studies / Political, Legal and Governmental Studies / Social and Environmental Studies / Visual Theory and Practice (only as a double major in combination with one of the above). ★ *You can also minor in one of the specific disciplines* ★ Cultural Heritage / Environmental Studies / Gender Studies / History / Human Rights / International Relations / Nationalism / Philosophy / Political Science / Sociology and Social Anthropology / Visual Theory and Practice

#### EXPLORE QUESTIONS LIKE

- \* How is fake news created, and how do we know it's fake?
- \* How do we know anything at all?
- \* What determines human behavior?
- \* What can we do to make our cities more livable?
- \* Should we engineer the planet to fight global warming?
- \* Do animals have rights?

#### CAREER EDUCATION FROM DAY ONE

- \* Skill building
  - \* Workshops
  - \* One-on-one sessions with a BA career advisor
  - \* Internship support
  - \* Global employer connections
- [careers.ceu.edu](https://careers.ceu.edu)



"There are many options that CEU offers to students that make the learning experience easier and more accommodating. Even with the restrictions caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, including online learning, CEU was very professional and prompt when offering assistance to its students. The broad array of classes and professors have made the program very enjoyable and taught me many skills. As someone who wishes to work in environmental studies in the future, all my classes have had at least one golden nugget of information or a skill that I will be sure to keep with me." **SOPHIA MARTON** BA in Culture, Politics and Society

### BA/BSC IN DATA SCIENCE AND SOCIETY\*

IN THE AGE OF DATA, THE WORLD NEEDS ANALYTICAL THINKERS WHO CAN ★ extract scientific understanding from masses of societal data ★ use both quantitative and qualitative tools to make sense of global issues ★ explore multiple perspectives, discover patterns and hidden connections ★

Students gain these skills through a comprehensive training in computational data analysis and mathematical modeling, combined with a solid foundation in sociology, economics, environmental science and political science. They learn how to use the unprecedented amount and quality of digital information available to understand and predict attitudes and opinions, social media and communication, political and economic behavior. → [undergraduate.ceu.edu/bachelor-degree-quantitative-social-sciences](https://undergraduate.ceu.edu/bachelor-degree-quantitative-social-sciences)

Professor [Tiago P. Peixoto](#), director of the program, is a physicist fascinated by complex networks. His research focuses on large-scale patterns behind diverse phenomena, such as gene regulation, the organization of social networks and the structure of the internet. In 2019, he received the prestigious Erdős-Rényi Prize for his achievements in network science.

#### FIND YOUR PASSION

★ After completing the mandatory modules in the first year, you'll choose two out of the five disciplines. You can also select from a broad range of elective courses offered by the other two BA programs. ★ **Majors and minors** / Sociology / Economics / Environmental Science / Political Science / Data Science

#### EXPLORE QUESTIONS LIKE

- \* How do social movements evolve?
- \* Can we predict and prevent a global pandemic?
- \* What are the patterns of human mobility?
- \* How does misinformation spread online?
- \* How are inequalities formed, and can they be undone?
- \* Can we calculate success?

\* The program is subject to approval by AQ Austria.





## EXCHANGE OPPORTUNITIES

In the third year, you'll have the opportunity to study abroad at one of our partner universities in Europe or in the United States.

"The global community at CEU not only embraced me with open arms but also exposed me to many viewpoints and cultures. Students from all over the world form a lively and distinctive environment, ready to learn about contemporary concerns in and out of the classroom. Additionally, by selecting the BA in Data Science and Society, I could better understand some issues by examining them from both qualitative and quantitative viewpoints. It also allowed me to define my interests before concentrating primarily on two disciplines. Last but not least, because CEU has smaller class sizes, I know I always have a community behind my back and that we can succeed by working together despite demanding terms!" **NAOMI MERVO-KOVACS** *BA in Data Science and Society*

## BA IN PHILOSOPHY, POLITICS AND ECONOMICS

OUR COMPLEX GLOBAL SOCIETY NEEDS CRITICAL THINKERS WHO CAN  
 ★ draw on key disciplines ★ develop new ways to look at the issues of our time ★ ask questions differently and propose innovative solutions ★

Students develop these skills through the study of political, economic and social institutions, an examination of fundamental questions about reality, as well as an investigation of the principles that govern the production and allocation of resources. At CEU, we have reinvented the classic combination of Philosophy, Politics, and Economics, to offer our students an education that is both focused and multi-faceted.

→ [undergraduate.ceu.edu/bachelor-degree-philosophy-politics-economics](http://undergraduate.ceu.edu/bachelor-degree-philosophy-politics-economics)

Professor **Matthijs Bogaards**, director of the program, has studied and worked around the world for the past 25 years from Italy and California to Germany and South Africa. He has published widely on political parties and electoral systems, democracy and the challenges facing divided societies. He firmly believes in the virtue of debate and deliberation.

### FIND YOUR PASSION

★ You will receive thorough training in at least two of the three core disciplines. You can also select from a broad range of elective courses offered by the other two BA programs. ★ **Majors and minors** / Philosophy / Politics / Economics

### EXPLORE QUESTIONS LIKE

- ★ What is truth?
- ★ Is there a real, objective difference between right and wrong?
- ★ Is everybody equal?
- ★ Is democracy really the best form of government?
- ★ What is globalization; what are its problems and benefits?
- ★ Could a machine ever think or feel pain?



## TRANSFERABLE SKILLS OUR STUDENTS GAIN

- ★ Quantitative and qualitative theory and methods
- ★ An interdisciplinary approach to problem-solving
- ★ Critical thinking and reasoning
- ★ Grasping and producing complex information
- ★ Analytical skills
- ★ Research skills
- ★ Communication skills (writing, presentation, public speaking)

"I chose my program because it gives a good understanding of how our interconnected world works. Even our course syllabuses are sometimes aligned, showing how much the topics relate to each other, which makes our studies easier and more fulfilling. Studying at CEU challenges but at the same time motivates me. I never feel lost as I know I can always reach out to someone who can help, including the professors, the teaching assistants, our coordinator, and academic or career advisors. This is why CEU is so special to me." **NATASA POWELL** *BA in Philosophy, Politics and Economics*

## FALL FOR VIENNA

Consistently ranked among the world's most livable cities by the Economist Intelligence Unit, Vienna is a place where quirky student hangouts sit alongside opulent coffee houses, and modern art fills centuries-old palaces. Leafy parks and riverside beaches, world-class galleries and museums, beer gardens and vineyards, street fairs and culinary fests offer entertainment from spring to fall, while the Austrian capital's squares transform into a snowy, glittering playground with Christmas markets and ice rinks in winter. Students stay in comfortable and centrally located dormitory facilities. Just a short train or plane trip to the must-see capitals of the continent, Vienna is the heart of Europe.

### VIENNA IN NUMBERS

**8,300**

RESTAURANTS, CAFES AND PATISSERIES

**1,400**

BICYCLE LANES IN KM

**995**

PUBLIC PARKS

**700+**

PUBS, BARS AND NIGHTCLUBS

**350**

MUSEUMS AND GALLERIES

**Study abroad options include** ★ Sciences Po in Paris ★ Bocconi University in Milan ★ London School of Economics ★ Stockholm School of Economics ★ Bard College in New York State ★ Bard College Berlin

## SPARK YOUR CAREER

OUR CAREER SERVICES OFFICE IS HERE TO HELP YOU / Connect you with professionals to learn about their work and to widen your network ★ Access information about job and internship opportunities via our exclusive jobs platform ★ Connect you with employers and internship hosts ★ Articulate the unique set of skills and knowledge you offer in your job applications ★ Apply for graduate study

CEU graduates in **150+ COUNTRIES** : economists ★ policymakers ★ business leaders ★ UN officers ★ diplomats ★ human rights advocates ★ government officials ★ arts professionals ★ documentarists ★ writers ★ educators ★ activists ★ researchers ★ journalists ★ social innovators ★ climate change consultants ★ strategic communicators

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**ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS** / CEU application form • high school records • proof of English proficiency • CV • application essay • letter of motivation • letter of recommendation • standardized test scores such as SAT, ACT, AP or IB (preferred but not mandatory) • evidence of mathematical competence (only for the Quantitative Social Sciences program) • All finalists will be required to attend an online interview with CEU professors.

**TUITION** / detailed information on annual cost of attendance and financial support available → [undergraduate.ceu.edu](http://undergraduate.ceu.edu)

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