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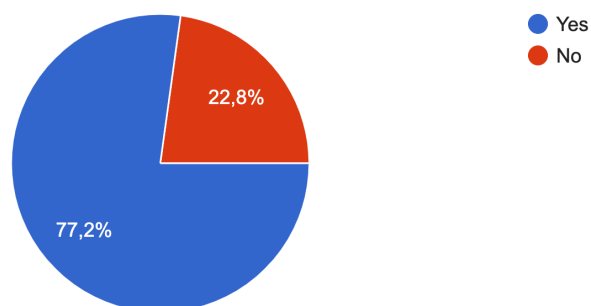
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→ The students like it less in January 2022

Would you like to have more classes in person?

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The master's program will be reformed. Anything that should be improved or is very good in the application procedure and in general about the masters (size, seminars etc.)? (29 answers)

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offer weekly lectures were the professor gives a presentation and then seminars later that week to discuss the topic of the week with peers, guided by the professor. this way there is a time for learning and taking new information in and also a space and time to think about it and then learn from others through discussion. additionally, **it is a shame we do not have academic advisors** and that it seems like ms. jurik bears the burden for that since she's the only point of reference for questions directly from hfp. also, ms jurik deserves a pay raise for all the help before the programme started and throughout... I also wish we would have a way to receive feedback on our application essay. overall I'd like more guidance, support and structure in the programme. oh.. one last thing about the application procedure: let students know sooner about their acceptance status please

**Better introduction for none politic BAs.** I still don't know anything about political theories.

More professional seminars, market-oriented events

**Improve the class selection and how you should be choosing things**

Unfortunately **not enough places in courses.** Could be nice to improve it, so everybody can choose courses of most interest!

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Less elective courses

**currently the democracy in digital age part is lacking classes in ai** ...a highly important field, because the chairs (prof. pfeffer for example ) is only doing Bachelor courses. I would really love if AI topics would be more included and in my opinion for being a technology it is really easy to avoid science and technology but just taking for example economy classes...and then earning a political science degree with a focus on stem without even taking classes in this topic. doesn't really make sense.

**The application itself was good** and I actually greatly appreciated the opportunity to demonstrate my capacity to perform academically with a new piece of work via the essay. **However the timeline of admissions making a decision needs to be tightened up**, even if it means opening up the application dates by a month or two. I had less than two months to move my entire life overseas; if I did not come from a country that allowed me to stay for 90

days visa-free, I cannot imagine the stress that would inflict on somebody. With regard to the course content itself, this first semester has been severely disappointing. The professor of my methodology class has said, verbatim, that “taking this class will not mean you know how to do [the kind of analysis the course is named for].” How can anybody remain motivated to complete the coursework if they are directly told they aren’t going to be trained in the research methodology they’ve signed up to learn? Additionally, there is so much potential to demonstrate to academia and the world how effective and crucial interdisciplinary learning is; however, the way it’s implemented currently, the material has been so watered down to accommodate differing backgrounds, the content often feels like undergraduate level or even lower in some instances. At no point in my studies so far have I felt like I am receiving the specialization of a masters degree.

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**+ interviews in the application process are very fair!** - More Seminars/ More students per Seminar to make the course election easier

**accept a limited number of students** so that planning for courses is easier and less messy for everyone

There should be courses of political theory/philosophy. The professorship of political theory hasnt offered courses for the master program yet...

Turn a full time masters into part time masters

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**More places in methods-classes.** I don't get why they have only 60places

Create a Kolloquium class where professors discuss bachelor/Master thesis /// reform the introduction course and make it seminal texts that discuss the relationship between politics and technology + one session per department where they introduce their research topics and how the go about their research (methods, Theories, etc.)

More **small scale HfP seminars**, they're the best

**Application period needs to be earlier.** It's unreasonable to ask students to wait until August to find out if they can study in October, especially since most will have to turn down other offers while they wait. **The size of the program is fine**, but there needs to be a higher baseline for what the shared knowledge is coming into the program. The intro seminar is at about the same level as a first year bachelors course. If you have students who don't have a background in political science that's fine, but Hfp could assign extra reading or something to bring everyone up to speed. The entire course is a huge waste of time for anyone with even a cursory understanding of current affairs.

**It should be limited how many courses one can apply to**, so that one person doesn't get for ex. 20 courses in one semester and leaves others without any. More gender and post-colonial perspectives in the courses are needed - the courses are now very West-oriented and don't consider gender at all. Many courses are too alike, put them together. The Introduction course is completely unnecessary and repeats the same things over and over again. More introduction activities by the FS in the beginning of the semester would be great. **The application procedure was very complicated for international students**, since unis have different certificate/grade systems, and why do all the papers have to be posted to TUM? The semesters should follow the international format, it's impossible to have a summer job with the current semesters and it makes it hard to get an international internship too. The students should get more help with finding internships. The expectations from thr teachers are very different (work load) for different courses even though they give the same ECTs, **there should be more conformity.**

**Course sizes very good, mix lecture and seminar very good, managemant of studies is bad (course selection etc.)**

**Smaller size of people or more spots in seminars** as a lot of people didn't get spots in a lot of seminars they wanted to attend

No more paper delivery during the application would be great

Make atleast few subjects compulsory for everyone so that we get the opportunities to meet more people or organize events

**More in person** and more active inclusion of students in seminars.

i don't understand the dual seminar, just have 2 different classes

If the program wants to attract international talent, it needs to move the **application period earlier** before the start of the semester.

application procedure is fine but seems to put a lot of stress on the administration. **the advertisement of personal mentoring by professors should** be removed from the website etc. fast.

Anything else that bothers you, ideas/opinions you think we should consider putting forward to the FS (Fachschaft) and or to the HfP administration? (17 answers)

Keep the online option. For example by **recording on site sessions**

**way too little consensus around hfp and between professors of what term-papers should look like.** this makes each very confusing and it takes so much extra work and stress to look into what format, length and structure each prof wants.

**Transparency and availability with the administration is abysmal.** I don't know if there's too great a ratio of students-to-admin for the school, but the response time for really important inquiries - involving information for the visa process for instance - has been inexcusable. To the point of almost hindering my ability to apply for my visa/residence permit in time. Of the three or four emails I have sent to admin and the student help desk, only one was answered and it took nearly four weeks. By that time, I'd fortunately found my answer and resources elsewhere. It's one thing for us as masters students to be expected to have a mature degree of autonomy; it is another entirely to so frequently and normally leave us to fend for ourselves in navigating matters of academic and international-student bureaucracy. Combined with the grievances mentioned in my aforementioned responses, as well as others not listed here for the sake of space and time, I would like to say that I am currently and actively looking and intending to apply to other masters programs after this first semester.

number of **exchange options is low** compared to other departments

Nothing from my side.

A recommendation for a study path..like if you want to focus on regulation in your masters the university coils offer you a recommendation of courses that with go along with this specialization (but obviously nothing is mandatory)

The communication for this course could be improved. **There's no reason they can't be sending out emails informing students that exam registration is open, deadline for Erasmus** is approaching, time to start thinking about internships, etc.

**The students' mental health during the pandemic.**

**Fachschaft please organize more activities for new students**

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**All good**

Help international students with student dorm atleast for students who are **struggling to find place** and moving frequently

**need a printer**

**I do not feel cozy at hfp. It's like an office**

**All my courses were moved online.** We aren't getting the full value of our education studying over zoom.