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1 The study track 2: Environmental Social Science

1.1 The vision of the study track

The challenges that the world is facing can only be tackled with a transdisciplinary approach that encompasses innovative, system-approach solutions. This programme aims at providing students with the transdisciplinary skills to develop these solutions for a sustainable, inclusive future. Students will be trained to transform business, the private and public sectors and society alike. The programme includes core courses, a work placement and a series of optional courses to provide the students with the opportunity to tailor their studies to their specific needs and aspiration, including an in-depth knowledge of techniques used to monitor and evaluate risks associated with climate change and land use, or a critical understanding of the contemporary global challenges. In their two years, students will be trained in cutting-edge techniques, both in the laboratory and in the field; the programme is particularly suitable for students that are interested in a holistic understanding of present society and its challenges.

The main aims of this programme are:

- Develop a social and natural science knowledge to understand the environmental challenges of the present and the future.
- Develop an understanding of the transdisciplinary approach to the environmental challenges
- Develop a portfolio of analytical skills, specifically used in social and natural science, to assimilate and apply knowledge to the present global challenges.
- Produce graduates that are able to make strategic decision that will transform their business and society for a more sustainable future.

1.2 Target group of students: Entry requirements

Normally a first or upper second-class Honours degree in a relevant area or equivalent professional experience

1.3 Intended learning outcomes of the study track

By the end of this programme, students will be able to:

- Describe and evaluate the urgent threats to humanity, including health, climate and environmental change.
- Explain the fundamental theories and practise in environmental social science, including European and international environmental laws.
- Demonstrate an advanced theoretical and practical knowledge of a broad range of environmental concepts.
- Demonstrate a familiarity with models applied to climatology and environmental challenges using the most up to date practises in academia and industry.
- Solve a wide range of problems relating to the capture, processing, management, interpretation and presentation of data, related to the transdisciplinary approach to environmental social science.
- Create and resource an independent transdisciplinary project research project.
- Present, for both a specialist and non-technical audience, advanced social environmental and research concepts in range of formats, including, but not limited to reports, posters and social platforms.
- Engage with diverse perspectives and work in groups/teams respectfully and ethically.
- Think, learn and work independently (including time management).
- Present outputs in appropriate ways for both specialist and non-technical audiences, including verbally, in writing and graphically.

2 Structure overview of the study track 2

The study track is divided in 4 semesters of 30 ECTS each for a total of 120 ECTS.

The study track takes place at Stockholm University, Sweden (SU), the University of Glagow, Scotland (UofG) and the University of Bucharest, Rumania (UB).

- The first semester corresponds to the programme common core. It takes place in Stockholm (SU) in autumn and is described in the Student Handbook.
  Autumn semester 2026: 31 August 2026 – 17 January 2027
  The second semester is the first part of the study track specialisation in Environmental Social Science. It takes place during the spring semester in Glasgow (UofG)
  Spring semester 2027: [Start date and end dates to be decided]
- The third semester is the second part of the study track specialisation in in Environmental Social Science. It takes place during the autumn semester of the second year in Bucharest (UB).
  Autumn semester 2027: [Start date and end dates to be decided]
- The fourth and last semester is dedicated to the final degree project, the Master thesis. It takes place during the spring semester 2028 at SU, UofG or UB.
  SU: 17 January 2028 – 4 June 2028
  UofG: [Start date and end dates to be decided]
  UB: [Start date and end dates to be decided]

Study track	**Semester 1**	**Semester 2**	**Semester 3**	**Semester 4**
ST2: Environmental Social Sciences	SU	UofG	UB	SU or UofG or UB
	Common Core	**Study Track**		**Master Thesis**
	Transdisciplinary stream			

3 Study track content overview

The study track overview by study progress is presented below:

University	Type	Module Title	ECTS per Semester				Total ECTS
			S1	S2	S3	S4	
SU	Mandatory	Climate, Energy and Environment – A Transdisciplinary Perspective • Systems Thinking (3 ECTS) • Climate, Environment and Energy – A Natural Science Perspectives (9 ECTS) • Climate, Environment and Energy – A Social Science Perspectives (9 ECTS) • Climate, Environment and Energy – A Humanities Perspective (6 ECTS) • Creating Knowledge Through Transdisciplinary Methods (3 ECTS)	30				30
UofG	Mandatory	Global Challenges		10			30
	Mandatory	Earth and Environmental Futures Work Placement		10			
	Conditionally elective	2 courses from the list provided: • Geoenvironmental Policy and Planning (10 ECTS) • Managing Sustainable Water Environments: Policy and Practice (5 ECTS) • Remote Sensing of the Environment (5 ECTS) • Visualization of Map Use (5 ECTS) • Web and Mobile Mapping (5 ECTS)		10			
UB	Mandatory	Multispecies Ethnography and Urban Nature(s)			5		30
	Mandatory	Behavioural Environmental Economics			5		
	Mandatory	Making Sense of Social Controversies Through Stories and Characters: Sociological Perspectives on Agency and Structure in Climate Change			5		
	Mandatory	Finance for Sustainability Projects			4		
	Mandatory	Methods for Impact Evaluation in Environmental and Energy Research			6		
	Mandatory	Sustainability Communication			5		
SU / UofG / UB	Mandatory	Master Thesis				30	30
			30	**30**	**30**	**30**	**120**

4 Your Semester at the University of Glasgow

4.1 Arrival and welcome activities

The University of Glasgow (UofG) has very detailed webpages which can be accessed to find out lots of different information about Glasgow. There are three main webpages that you should look at for advice and information about life and studying at the University of Glasgow.

These are:

- The general pages for students
- The pages for international students
- The pages of the Student Representative Council. This is an independent, student-led organisation, recognised as the representative body for students registered at UofG.

For example, you can find a checklist to help you prepare for your arrival in Glasgow on the general website for students. Please see here: www.gla.ac.uk/myglasgow/students/new/checklist/

Information about welcome weeks for international students take place in September and January. The information about the Welcome Weeks can be found through the webpages for international students. Please see here: www.gla.ac.uk/international/support/welcomeeventschedule/

Your first point of contact regarding any practical issues relating to your time as a student at UofG is the **Student Services Enquiry Team** (SSET) based in the Fraser Building. The SSET can help you with issues such as:

- Campus cards (expired, lost, damaged)
- Certifying Letters and Student Status forms
- Council tax Exemption
- Degree Verification
- Personal Information Updates
- Transcripts or Higher Education Achievement Record (HEAR)
- Financial Issues
- Advice on other services to contact within the Schools and Colleges
- General advice

The SSET also has a specific team called the Registration and Enrolment Support Team (REST). Theis team operates in September and October and can help with any enrollment issues.

There is also a specific team that can help with International Student Support (ISS). This team can help with:

- **Visa and Immigration Advice**: The ranges from practical advice for applying for a visa or a visa extension as well as advice on more complex immigration queries related to dependents or asylum. This team works closely with the Visa Compliance Team on these issues.
- **Practical Advice**: for international students, please be aware of frauds and scams such as arriving at Glasgow airport or opening a bank account.
- **Helping students adjust**: it can feel strange being in a different country and culture. The ISS team can help you with finding relevant societies, cultural, or spiritual group in Glasgow.
- **Variety of Events:** The ISS team advertise various events for international students.

4.2 Housing

All the most up-to-date information about University accommodation can be found here: https://www.gla.ac.uk/postgraduate/accommodation/fees/

It is possible to look for private accommodation in the city, but please make sure that you rent from a landlord with the correct licenses. In particular, your landlord should have an HMO License for multiple occupancy use.

More information about private accommodation can be found here:

https://www.gla.ac.uk/postgraduate/accommodation/privateaccommodation/

4.3 Living expenses

It is estimated that you should budget from around £1,100 to £1,700 per month to live and study in Glasgow. Costs could be slightly higher or lower depending on your accommodation costs. More information can be found here: https://www.gla.ac.uk/study/studentlife/costofliving/#:~:text=It's%20also%20a%20good%20idea,lifestyle%20(published%20October%202024).

If you run into financial difficulties while studying at UofG, please reach out, either to the **Student Representative Council** through its Advice Centre or the **Student Support Officers** at your College or School. Contact details can be found here: https://www.gla.ac.uk/myglasgow/students/supportofficers/

4.4 Bank

You may need a UK bank account while staying in Glasgow. For example, you may need to pay your rent via bank transfer or may need to provide evidence of your finances for immigration purposes. UofG cannot recommend any particular banks, but high-street banks are easily accessible as well as online bank accounts. If you will be in the UK for less than six months, then please see here:

https://www.gla.ac.uk/international/support/practicalinformationinternationalstudents/banking/#studentsoncoursesoflessthan6months

4.5 Public transport

Glasgow has a bus, train, and subway network. Google Maps generally provides accurate information for travelling across the city. But you can also use Traveline, Scotland's national public transport information service provider. The buses in Glasgow are generally operated by either First Bus or McGill, although other companies also operate in Glasgow and throughout Scotland. Trains are provided by Scotrail. The subway network is provided by SPT

Tickets for First Bus can be paid for using their 'tap on, tap off' system. This allows you to tap your card or phone against the card readers when you enter the bus and then tap again as you leave. You will need a UK bank account to access this service. Otherwise, a ticket can be purchased from the driver. You will need to let the driver know what bus stop you plan to get off at unless you buy a day pass.

Tickets for McGill buses are purchased from the driver when you enter the bus. You will need to let the driver know what bus stop you plan to get off at unless you buy a day pass.

Tickets for Scotrail can be purchased via the website or the Scotrail app. You can also purchase tickets in stations that either have a ticket office or a ticket machine. If these do not exist at the station you are travelling from, then you can buy your ticket from the conductor who will walk through the train as it travels. If no conductor comes, you may need to buy a ticket at the station if electronic barriers are in operation. In stations with electronic barriers, there will be a possibility to buy a ticket at the barriers.

Tickets for the subway can be purchased at stations. The subway consists of an Inner Circle and an Outer circle. The subways come every few minutes or so. Because it is circular, if you get on the wrong line, you just have to wait longer for your stop to come back round! A full circuit takes around 24 minutes.

4.6 Navigating campus

The **UofG LIFE app** is your one stop shop for getting around campus. You can download this via the Apple Store or Google Play or use the web version. Please see here for details: https://www.gla.ac.uk/myglasgow/uofglife/

The app has a wayfinding feature to help you search for buildings and to get directions from where you are. The '**Near Me**' function will help you locate facilities across the campus such as:

- Bike racks
- Accessible parking
- Accessible toilets

- ATMs
- Baby changing facilities
- Bike racks
- Defibrillators
- Food outlets
- Places to find period products
- Spaces for prayer and reflection
- Retail outlets
- Student support officers
- Showers
- Toilets
- Viewpoints and attractions
- Water fountains

The app can also help you locate study spaces on campus and find out about the occupancy levels at the library. As well as this, you can use the app to keep track of your timetable and library books on loan. It also has a feature that will take you straight to help and advice about student support and wellbeing.

4.7 Student Health & Wellbeing

4.7.1 Health Care

The National Health Service (NHS) has developed a student health hub with information about using the NHS while staying in Glasgow.

You **must absolutely make sure** that you have access to your insurance policy, purchased by Stockholm University, before you travel to the UK. Please familiarise yourself with the terms of this policy and take into consideration the specific situations it applies to and consider if you need to buy any extra insurance for any trips that are not covered by that insurance policy.

In Scotland, doctors outside of hospitals are referred to as 'General Practitioners' abbreviated to 'GP'. The GP is usually the first point of contact relating to your health needs. Although some limited help can be provided at some pharmacies. If necessary, a GP can refer you to a specialist. On arrival in Scotland you should register with your local GP. For emergency situations, requiring police, ambulance, or fire brigade you can call 999. This number is only for serious emergencies. You can also call 111 which can provide advice on the phone regarding symptoms and advice on which service you should contact.

For all the information and guidance about accessing health care in the Glasgow, including dentists, please see: https://www.gla.ac.uk/international/support/practicalinformationinternationalstudents/nhs-health-services/

4.7.2 Wellbeing

There are several services available at UofG to help with wellbeing. The below provides an overview of each service and what it offers. Please visit the relevant webpages to find out more.

4.7.2.1 Student Support Officers

Each College at UofG has appointed Student Support Officers. These are staff who are based in the different Schools and Colleges, as well as centrally, and are there to provide a frontline service to students who need support. Please visit https://www.gla.ac.uk/myglasgow/students/supportofficers/ to find out the relevant Student Support Officer to contact in your School or College. The Student Support Officers can help signpost you to other services as well as helping students to resolve short-term issues and difficulties. The range of issues the Student Support Officers can help with are:

- Mental Health and Wellbeing
- Finances
- Accommodation
- Settling in
- Future and career prospects
- University processes
- Study support

4.7.2.2 Counselling and Wellbeing Services

If you are struggling with your mental health, UofG also offers Counselling Services. These comprise of various services. More can be found out about them here: https://www.gla.ac.uk/myglasgow/counselling/

For anything relating to a **crisis situation** such as a but not limited to:

- Student death
- A student being hospitalized due to a serious illness/mental health crisis
- Student at risk of suicide/in mental health crisis
- Student subject to crime
- Student appears to be missing

Please contact 999 (for police, ambulance, fire brigade) then call campus security via the SafeZone app. Using the SafeZone app will put you in touch with the student crisis team who can assist with enquiries, first aid, or an emergency worldwide. For more information, please visit: https://www.gla.ac.uk/myglasgow/staff/emergencyandcrisissupport/

The **Peer Wellbeing Support Service** is a peer-to-peer listening service. The service is run by student volunteers who have been trained by three practicing Counsellors. The kinds of issues this service deals with are:

- Loneliness
- Worries about family
- Academic stress
- Reflecting on world issues.

You can access this service here: https://www.gla.ac.uk/myglasgow/studentlisteners/

The UofG **Counselling Service** offers a range of services designed to help those with mild to moderate needs. The service does not diagnose or prescribe and is not a crisis service. You should contact your GP if you require more serious medical assistance and the situation is not critical. The Counselling Service can help with:

- Short term, focused blocks of therapy, subject to assessment
- Wellbeing consultations
- Psychoeducation and group work
- Self-help resources

The kinds of issues the Service deals with are, but not limited to:

- Anxiety and panic
- Ongoing difficulties resulting from bereavement and other types of loss
- Relationship difficulties
- Mild to moderate depression
- Significant life changes
- Self-confidence and self-esteem

More information about the Counselling Service can be found here:
https://www.gla.ac.uk/myglasgow/counselling/about%20us/

4.8 Disability Services

UofG offers a wide range of services to help students adapt. In Scotland you have the right to have reasonable adjustments made to enable you to carry out your studies. This could range from services such as help with access on campus, help with assistive technology while studying, and help with exam arrangements. The disability services have an equipment loan bank which can be used to help international disabled students.

To access disability services, you can register to speak with a Disability Officer. The Disability Office provide both online and in-person appointments. It is advised you make an appointment with the Disability Office prior to arriving in Glasgow as this will ensure you can be supported from your arrival on campus.

For information about disability services please see:
https://www.gla.ac.uk/myglasgow/disability/

4.9 Saftey On and Off Campus

UofG uses the SafeZone app which is a free university run app that is monitored 24 hours a day 7 days a week by the Campus Security team. The app can be used when you are on campus, at your accommodation, or when out in the city. The app has three core buttons that you can trigger. These are:

- The blue button for general enquiries
- The red button for emergencies
- The green button for first aid

There is also a yellow button that will allow you to access wellbeing resources. By triggering one of these services you will be put in touch with someone from the campus security team immediately who will be able to advise. For more information about the SafeZone app and to download it, please visit https://safezoneapp.com/

For more general information on safety, please visit
https://www.gla.ac.uk/myglasgow/students/safetyhealth/

4.10 Student organisations

The SRC provides detailed resources for finding out about student organisations while you are in Glasgow. There are currently 300+ SRC affiliated organisations ranging from cultural interests, world events, sports to even groups celebrating Scottish actor David Tennant! For a full list of organisations, please see https://www.glasgowunisrc.org/clubs-socs/find/

While you are study at UofG, you can make the most of a membership at the UofG gym and sporting activities. UofG Sport offers classes, gym access, swimming pool access, and team sports. For more information, please visit https://www.gla.ac.uk/myglasgow/sport/

4.11 Language courses

Lectures at the University of Glasgow are all in English. The University offers 10-weeks language coursesUniversity of Glasgow - Study - Short courses - Short language courses in, at least 12 languages. The Student Representative Council (SRC) also organizes 'Conversation Cafe'' (Conversation Café); these are spaces run by student volunteers to help International students to make new friends and brush on their language (English) skills; these meetings are free of charge.

5 Your semester at the University of Bucharest

5.1 Arrival and welcome activities

The University of Bucharest offers a range of arrival and welcome activities to help new students integrate smoothly into university life. These initiatives are designed to familiarize students with the campus, academic procedures, and the vibrant community. Key activities include:

- **Welcome Sessions:** At the beginning of each semester, the university organizes welcome sessions for incoming students. These sessions provide essential information about academic programs, campus facilities, and student services. They also offer an opportunity to meet faculty members and fellow students.
- **Romanian Language Courses:** For international students, the University of Bucharest offers Romanian language courses during the academic year. These courses cater to different proficiency levels, including beginners and intermediate learners. Each module lasts for one semester and includes both oral and written assessments, awarding 6 ECTS upon completion. The courses are free of charge and include a Romanian language manual.
- **Buddy Network:** The university's Erasmus Student Network (ESN, https://unibucharest.esn.ro/) runs a Buddy Network program, pairing incoming students with current students. This initiative helps newcomers acclimate to the university environment, providing guidance on academic and social aspects of student life. The Buddy Network also organizes various events, trips, and cultural activities to enhance the student experience.
- **Orientation Events:** Throughout the academic year, the university hosts various orientation events, including campus tours, informational workshops, and social gatherings. These events aim to introduce students to the university's resources, support services, and extracurricular opportunities.

For more detailed information, please refer to the International Students Guide provided by the University of Bucharest. More information will be received prior to the arrival in Bucharest.

5.2 Housing

The University of Bucharest offers approximately 5,300 accommodation places across 15 dormitories, covering nearly 80% of the student housing demand. Priority for on-campus housing is typically given to students with higher entrance examination scores. For detailed information on the available dormitories, including their facilities and contact details, you can visit the Student Dormitories page.

The accommodation process, including eligibility criteria and application procedures, is outlined on the Accommodation Process page. It's important to note that the university can accommodate students within the limits of available places. For those who do not receive on-campus housing, renting a private apartment is a common alternative. The university advises contacting a real estate agency for assistance, with typical rents for a two-room flat ranging between €250–€300 per month, excluding utilities. Signing a rental contract is necessary, as it will be required by the Immigration Office when applying for a residence permit.

Additionally, private student residences in Bucharest, such as Arcca, Campus Est, and West Gate Studios, offer modern amenities and can be viable alternatives for accommodation. For more information on these options, you can refer to the Accommodation section on the Study in Bucharest website.

For further assistance, you can contact the International Relations and Foreign Students Office at the University of Bucharest:

- **Telephone:** +4021-305.46.41 / +4021-305.46.42
- **Email:** contact@externe.unibuc.ro

- **Address:** 90 Panduri Road, 4th floor, room 404, Bucharest, 050663, Romania

Office hours are Monday to Thursday, 11:00 – 13:00.

5.3 Living expenses

Information on living expenses in Bucharest can be found here: https://studyinbucharest.com/life-in-bucharest/cost-of-living

5.4 Transport

Information on public transport in Bucharest can be found here: https://studyinbucharest.com/life-in-bucharest/transport

5.5 Navigating campus

Navigating the University of Bucharest campus is essential for students to efficiently locate faculties, administrative offices, and other key facilities. Below is a guide to help you find your way around.

Campus Overview

- The University of Bucharest comprises multiple buildings and faculties spread across the city.
- The **main administrative building (Rector's Office)** is located at **90 Panduri Street, Sector 5, Bucharest**, and houses faculties such as Psychology and Educational Sciences, Sociology and Social Work, and Chemistry.
- More information about campus locations can be found **here**.

Campus Map

- For a detailed layout of the university's facilities, including **student dormitories, dining halls, and IT&C services**, visit the official **campus page**.

Student Guide

- The university provides a comprehensive **Student's Guide**, covering accommodation, transportation, and student services.
- Access the guide **here**.

Resources for International Students

- If you're an **international student**, the university offers tailored resources to help you adjust to campus life and the city.
- More details are available on the **international students' page**.

Contact Information

For specific inquiries or further assistance, you can contact the university:

- **Address:** 90 Panduri Street, Sector 5, 050663, Bucharest, Romania
- **Email:** office@g.unibuc.ro
- **Phone:** +40 21 305 97 30
- Faculty-specific contact details are available **here**.

5.6 Student health

At the University of Bucharest, students have access to free medical services through the Medical Consulting Room located in the Mihail Kogălniceanu Dormitory. This facility is staffed by a team of

12 professionals, including 8 doctors and 4 nurses, specializing in General Medicine and Stomatology. The consulting room operates Monday to Friday, from 08:00 to 19:00. All University of Bucharest students, regardless of their faculty or department, are eligible to utilize these services. https://unibuc.ro/student-ub/campus/asistenta-medicala-gratuita/?lang=en

Contact Information:

- **Phone:** +4021.315.71.87 ext. 138
- **Address:** 36-46 Mihail Kogălniceanu Blvd, Mihail Kogălniceanu Complex, Sector 5, Bucharest

5.7 Special needs and disability support

The University of Bucharest declared its institutional commitment to the social mission of ensuring an accessible, inclusive and open-minded educational environment and meeting the needs of students with disabilities in an attempt to remove barriers to access to higher education for vulnerable groups.

Thus, a series of measures were adopted aimed at supporting young people with special needs in fully accessing the opportunities and the administrative and educational services offered by the University of Bucharest.

At the same time, the University of Bucharest proposes and undertakes to strengthen the administrative capacity by diversifying the means of communication and support services and also to integrate accessibility standards in future projects aimed at adapting the physical and digital infrastructure to the needs of people with disabilities.

Listed below are the support services offered by the University of Bucharest.

For more detail please reffer to https://unibuc.ro/student-ub/suport-pentru-studentii-cu-dizabilitati-si-cerinte-educationale-speciale/?lang=en

5.8 Student organisations

The University of Bucharest offers a diverse range of student organizations that enhance academic, cultural, and social experiences. Here are some key associations:

- **Association of Students at the University of Bucharest (ASUB)** – Represents students across all faculties, advocating for their rights and organizing events to support personal and professional development.
- **Erasmus Student Network (ESN) UniBucharest** – Supports international students in integrating into university life through cultural events and social activities.

For more details on these and other student organizations, visit the University of Bucharest's official website.

5.9 Language courses

The **University of Bucharest** offers various **language courses** for students, including:

- **Foreign Language Centre** – Courses in English, French, German, Spanish, Chinese, Arabic, and more. Details here
- **Preparatory Year for Romanian** – For international students studying in Romanian. More info
- **Summer Courses** – Intensive Romanian language & culture programs. Check here

6 The Master Thesis

You will have the possibility to register your Master thesis as a course either at SU, UofG or UB for the final semester of the programme that take place during the spring semester 2028. The procedure of registration, assessment method and examination follow the local regulations of the university responsible.

The entry requirement for the Master thesis are:

- Completion of the common core of the programme: Climate, Energy and Environment – A Transdisciplinary Perspective (30 ECTS)
- Completion of at least 30 ECTS from the semester two and/or three of the study track.

6.1 The master thesis at Stockholm University

Students at Stockholm University would register to the course: "Transdisciplinary Studies of Climate, Environment and Energy, Independent Project".

The independent project is 30 ECTS and aims to provide experience and advanced knowledge in scientific and transdisciplinary work within the fields of climate, environment, and/or energy. Key elements include planning, execution, and reporting. Additionally, students will practice literature review, writing a scientific report, and presenting research results orally in seminars.

The course is divided into two parts:

- Part 1: Planning (5 ECTS). Assessment is based on a written report
- Part 2: Implementation (25 ECTS). Assessment is based on an oral and written presentation of the independent project

More information is available in the syllabus of the course.

6.2 The Master's Project at University of Glasgow

Students at University of Glasgow would register for the course: GES (Geographical and Earth Sciences) MSc Project. The Project is 60 UofG credits (30 ECTS)

The aims of the project are:

- To integrate knowledge gained during the programme by applying it to a substantial and intensive project;
- To give experience in preparing a project proposal, including pre-recorded oral presentation.
- To allow students to pursue one particular topic to significantly more depth than possible during the taught part of the course;
- To encourage investigative study and the application of this to a particular task;
- To develop an awareness and experience of a range of quantitative and qualitative research methods and their applicability in different research settings, if appropriate to project
- To give experience in preparing a substantial report on an extended project.
- To give experience is preparing data and products for archiving

Projects may be of three basic types:

- a theoretical / research oriented project in which a problem is investigated by experimentation or collection of primary data or analysis of a substantial secondary data set;
- an assessment project, in which the suitability or comparability of equipment, software or methodology to a defined task is investigated;

- an application oriented project in which the client and/or end user's requirements are considered and satisfied by appropriate products.

Assessment:

- Written project proposal 10%; pre-recorded oral proposal presentation 5%
- A major project report covering the aims and outcomes, background, methodology, outcomes and evaluation of the project - 80%.
- Collation of digital data associated with the project, including appropriate metadata - 5%.

6.3 The Master's Project at University of Bucharest

At the University of Bucharest, students are required to enroll in the course "Independent Project in Transdisciplinary Studies of Climate, Environment, and Energy – Research Activities, Master's Thesis Preparation."

This independent project, worth 30 ECTS, is designed to provide students with hands-on experience and advanced knowledge in scientific and transdisciplinary research within the fields of climate, environment, and energy. Key components of the course include planning, execution, and reporting, along with opportunities to develop essential research skills such as:

- Conducting a literature review
- Writing a scientific report
- Presenting research findings in seminars

For additional details, students are encouraged to refer to the course syllabus.

Throughout the semester, under the guidance of their coordinators, students will focus on collecting, analyzing and interpreting data, conducting in-depth analyses of academic literature related to their thesis topic, writing reports, presenting intermediary research results, and understanding the ethics of transdisciplinary research. This process is designed to ensure a transdisciplinary approach to their final thesis.

Additionally, students will receive support in engaging with relevant external stakeholders, including representatives from NGOs, public administration, and businesses.

Contact us

Do you have any questions?
Please do not hesitate to contact us!

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