

## **STUDENT LIFE IN GÖTTINGEN**

Göttingen is a university town with around 130,000 residents, including 30,000 students. The campus, charming medieval city centre, and railway station are all within walking and biking distance. The Social Sciences and Humanities faculties, as well as the main lecture theatres, library and canteen are all on the centrally located campus.

### **LEARNING ENVIRONMENT**

CeMIS works hard to create a positive and stimulating atmosphere. Excellent staff-to-student ratios allow for good working relationships with professors as well as personalized academic supervision.

### **INTERNATIONAL ATMOSPHERE**

The centre's engaging, interdisciplinary environment attracts not only international students but also scholars and research fellows from across the globe.

### **LEISURE FACILITIES**

Together, the University and the city offer a great range of leisure, recreational and sporting facilities, as well as musical and cultural events, cinemas and theatres, and countless cafés, bars and restaurants to meet fellow students outside the classroom.

### **FEES & BENEFITS**

Universities in Germany are funded by the state. As such, there are no tuition fees at the University, only an administrative fee/student body contribution to be paid each semester. The fee has a number of benefits including subsidised meals at the University canteens and access to sporting facilities, free bus travel within Göttingen, free train travel throughout the state of Lower Saxony (and beyond), and free entry to a broad range of cultural events.

## **CeMIS** | centre for modern indian studies

The **Centre for Modern Indian Studies (CeMIS)** is one of the few centres in Europe or South Asia taking an interdisciplinary approach to the study of modern India. Courses are taught by researchers and professors coming from a wide range of academic disciplines including development economics, anthropology, history, political science, the political sociology of religion, and sociology. International scholars also regularly visit, lecture and teach. CeMIS is part of the University of Göttingen and the Göttingen Campus, as well as an international network of research institutions and universities.

Founded in 1737, the **University of Göttingen** is internationally renowned for its focus on research-led teaching. Over 40 Nobel Prize winners have studied, researched or taught in Göttingen. The University offers a diverse range of subjects, particularly in the Social Sciences and Humanities, and the campus is vibrant and diverse, with 13 percent of the University's 32,000 students coming from abroad.

### **M.A. in Modern Indian Studies**

**CENTRE FOR MODERN INDIAN STUDIES (CeMIS),  
UNIVERSITY OF GÖTTINGEN**

Applications close May 15  
Programme starts in October

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The M.A. in Modern Indian Studies is an interdisciplinary programme focusing on cultural, social, political and economic developments in contemporary India. In the study programme, students seek to address a number of fundamental questions that include: What lessons can we glean from history in order to understand India's contemporary society? How is India's democracy poised to tackle issues of social and economic inequality? How can the dynamics of economic development in a pluralistic society be understood?

At CeMIS, we explore these questions from a range of perspectives. The following research groups contribute to CeMIS' interdisciplinary work: Modern Indian History, Development Economics, Indian Religions, State and Democracy in Modern India, and Society and Culture in Modern India.

## STUDY FOCI

The **M.A. in Modern Indian Studies** is designed to offer students a great deal of flexibility in their study plan, allowing them to develop and pursue their own interests within the interdisciplinary study program. Aside from the two-semester introductory course, *Interdisciplinary Studies of Modern India*, students are free to select their courses as well as the theoretical and analytical foci of their theses. They are also required to study a modern Indian language. Students may also pursue one of three formally recognised specialisations within the M.A. programme. Areas of specialisation include **Development Economics of India**, **Historical Sociology**, and **Anthropology of Power**. For a specialisation in Development Economics of India, students have to fulfil additional admission requirements.

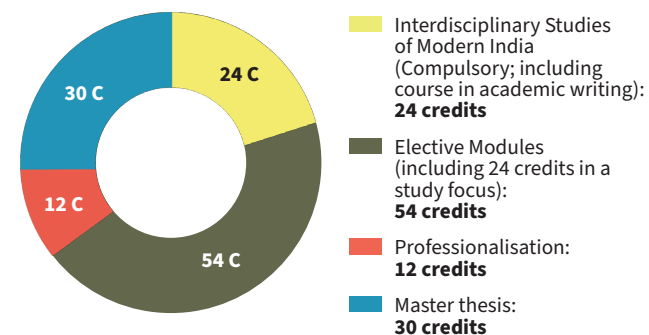
## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Proof of proficiency in English.
- M.A. in Modern Indian Studies: 50 credits in related subject fields.
- M.A. in Modern Indian Studies with a study focus on Development Economics of India: 50 credits in related subject fields, including at least 30 credits in economics.

For more detailed information on entry requirements, go to [www.uni-goettingen.de/en/131812.html](http://www.uni-goettingen.de/en/131812.html)

## PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

The M.A. is a single major, four-semester programme. All courses are taught in English. To obtain an M.A. degree, students must complete 120 credits (C), including an M.A. thesis. Credits are based on the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS).



Students specialising in Development Economics of India, Historical Sociology, or Anthropology of Power must complete at least 24 credits in those study foci as part of their elective modules and have to write their Master's thesis in the chosen field of specialisation.

Students have the option of completing a semester at a partner university in India or at another university of their own choice. CeMIS works closely with the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) and other funding institutions in order to assist students in securing financial support for studies abroad and for archival and field research.

German language skills are **not** required for the study programme. However, international students interested in learning or improving their German, or who wish to make a life for themselves in Germany after graduation, are encouraged to take advantage of the free German language courses the university provides. Credits from these courses can be counted towards the degree.

## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES AND PERSPECTIVES

Through the M.A. programme, students develop important skills, knowledge and expertise to work in range of fields. These include prospective careers in Indian or transnational enterprises, development cooperation, associations, administration and government agencies, NGOs, the tourism sector, and media and communications. Students may also choose to pursue an academic career in research and teaching. The Master's Programme serves as a qualification for those who wish to pursue a PhD.

