# Master of Arts European Studies

## Module 13: European Public Opinion

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### Learning objective
The module explores the interaction between European integration and public opinion by analysing the development of attitudes towards the integration project. Students can critically access current debates about the development of public opinion and can explore the conditions under which these translate into political participation and the development of a European society. The module considers current phenomenon of European public opinion and attitude formation, such as Euroscepticism, European identity building, etc.

### Professional competence
The module introduces the latest theoretical debates about the significance, measurement, and nature of public opinion in Europe. Similarly, students are able to develop their practical skills in analysing public opinion by using polls and survey research, policy analysis, and statistics. At the end of the module, students can categorize, explain, and evaluate the core topics and concepts related to the development of European public opinion.

### Methodological competence
At the end of the module, students are able to analyse and evaluate public opinion by using theoretical as well as practical skills in statistical analysis.

### Interpersonal competence
Students are able to work in groups as well as participate in classroom discussions, defend their hypothesis, and provide peer feedback.

### Teaching and learning formats
The learning formats will include but shall not be limited to classroom discussions, group work, and individual research.

### Module coordinator
Professorship in Empirical Research on the EU (N.N.)

### Module prerequisites
Attendance in module 4

### Module transferability
M.A. European Studies

### Sub-modules

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**Notes on the module examination:** Research paper (10-15 pages) and presentation (20 minutes)

**Comments/ Other:** This module belongs to area 1 (Law and Political Science) of the 3rd semester compulsory electives.

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