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The History of Panteion

The history of Panteion University of Social and Political Sciences can be traced back to the interwar period, owing to two enlightened individuals, Georgios Frangoudis and Alexandros Pantos. Despite being named after the latter, it was Frangoudis (Limassol 1869 - Athens 1939) who was the true founder of Panteion.

The venture to establish a School of Political Sciences started in 1924, when Frangoudis founded the association of Educational Renaissance. In 1927, the association undertook to construct the building that was to house the School in Kallithea. In June 1930, when the money Frangoudis had managed to put together with great effort - mainly from donations from Greeks living abroad - ran out, Alexandros Pantos passed away. The then Prime Minister of Greece, Eleftherios Venizelos, as executor of Pantos' will, granted his last wish and approved the fortune he bequeathed to the School for the completion of its construction.



About Panteion University

Mission and Vision

Panteion University of Social and Political Sciences is a public university that conducts research and offers courses and degrees in a wide range of scientific fields in the areas of social and political theory, such as international and European studies, science and media, sociology, social anthropology, psychology, political science, history, social policy, public administration, and economic and regional development.

Through its long and distinguished history of teaching, research, public service, and social contribution, the University has shaped the development and the dissemination of the relevant scientific fields in Greece.

Panteion aims to operate as a hub for producing and transmitting new knowledge. Its teaching and research staff stand out for their research -aimed at excellence and addressing sociopolitical challenges- and public presence in Greece and abroad.

Premises

Panteion University is located on Syngrou Avenue, Kallithea, close to the centre of Athens. The privately-owned facilities encompass three buildings, constructed at different eras, and beautiful gardens, making up a quaint and inviting campus.



Administration

University Senate

The University Senate is the supreme decision-making body of the University. As part of its mission, it oversees all of its operations, while it formulates the strategy for its development at a local, national, European and international level.

The Assembly consists of: i. the Rector; ii. the Vice Rectors; iii. the School Deans; iv. the Department Heads; v. the student representatives; vi. three staff representatives, one per staff category (Special Educational Staff [EEP], Lab Teaching Staff [EDIP] and Special Technical Lab Staff [ETEP]); vii. a representative of the University's administrative staff.

Rector's Council

The Rector's Council recommends to the University Senate the strategy for the development of the University and shapes the annual budget. It consists of: i. the Rector; ii. the Vice Rectors; iii. a student representative; vi. a representative of the University's administrative staff.

The Gender Equality Committee

The first Committee for Gender Equality in our university's history was established in November 2020.

The Committee has the following competences:

1. It prepares action plans to promote and ensure substantial equality in the educational, research and administrative procedures of the University as well as an annual report, which is submitted to the Senate;
2. It proposes to the competent bodies measures to promote equality and combat sexism;
3. It provides information and training to the members of the academic community on issues related to gender and equality;
4. It fosters the establishment of postgraduate programs and the conduction of seminars and lectures focusing on gender studies;
5. It promotes studies and research on issues related to its field of competence;
6. It provides assistance to the victims of discrimination when they denounce discriminatory treatment.

ABOUT US





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perennial vision
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Panteion University in Numbers

Students

21.534

Undergraduate Students

427

Post-Graduate Students



1923

PhD Candidates

58

Post-Doctoral Researchers

Faculty

198

Teaching and Research Staff

22

Laboratory Teaching Staff

8

Special Education Staff

6

Special Technical Staff

37

European grant positions

Administrative Staff

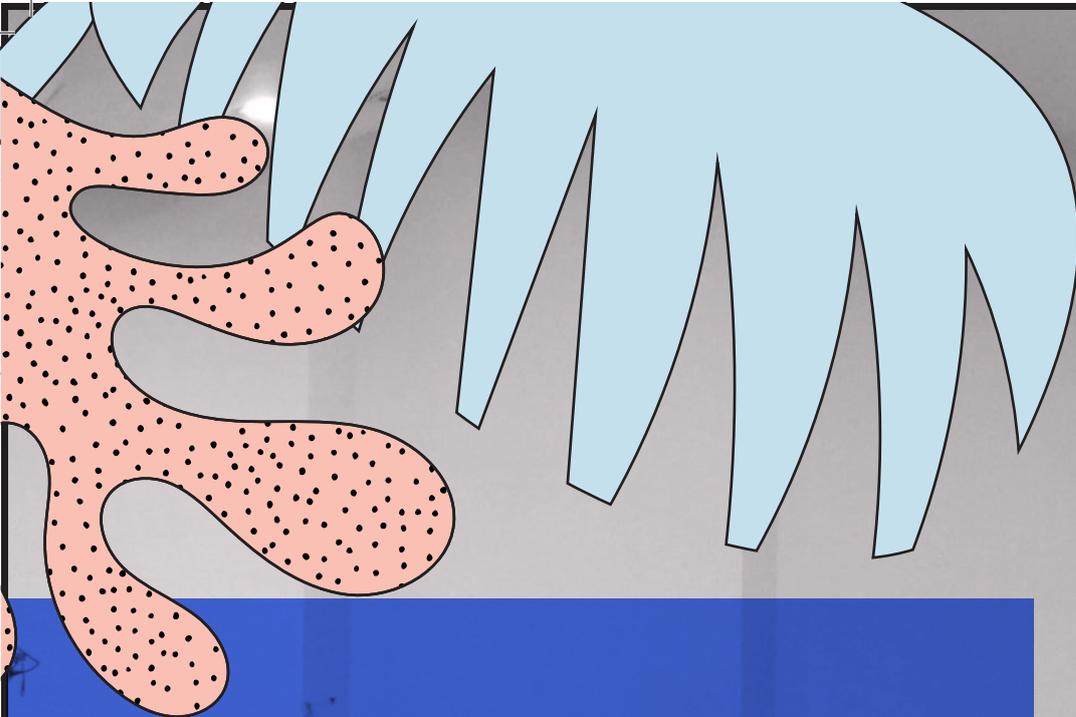
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Permanent staff

15

Contract Staff





Teaching and Research

The main priority of the study programmes of all levels is to promote the active, substantial, responsible and creative participation of students in the educational process and the academic community, along with open seminars, lectures, open discussions, scientific conferences and other cultural activities organised by the Panteion Departments and research units. By continuously updating the study programmes, as well as upgrading the digital infrastructure and services, and making the most of modern information and communications technology, Panteion University's perennial vision has been to establish a modern and robust academic environment.

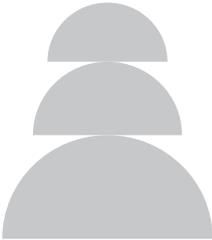
Schools and Departments

Panteion University is made up of four **Schools**. The Schools are split into **Departments** that can be further split into **Divisions**. The Departments or Divisions host **Labs, Centres** and **Institutes**.



School of Economy and Public Administration

- Department of Public Administration
- Department of Economic and Regional Development



School of Political Science

- Department of Political Science and History
- Department of Social Policy

School of Social Science

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- Department of Sociology
 - Department of Psychology
 - Department of Social Anthropology

School of International Studies, Communication & Culture

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- Department of International, European and Area Studies
 - Department of Communication, Media and Culture



Degrees & Studies

Panteion University provides studies that are structured in three cycles, the first (undergraduate programme), the second (master's programme) and the third (doctoral studies). Moreover, it offers the opportunity to conduct postdoctoral research.

Undergraduate Studies

The first cycle of studies involves following the Undergraduate Programme (UP) that culminates in being awarded academic qualifications (a bachelor's degree). Panteion operates **nine (9) academic departments** with the equivalent number of Undergraduate Programmes. All the programmes of study at Panteion are organised on the basis of the European system of transference and accumulation of credit units -**ECTS (European Credit Transfer System)**- so that each of the learning activities of which they are composed (lectures, seminars, tutorials, workshops, essays, practical training, a research dissertation etc.) may be described by rendering these into an ECTS number. One credit unit is the equivalent of 25-30 hours of work by the student.

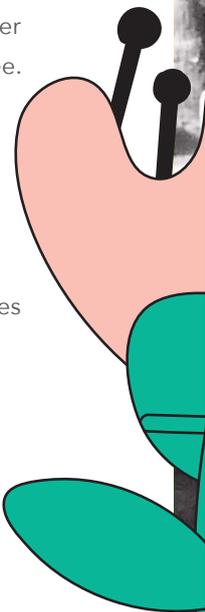
In every Undergraduate Programme 30 ECTS are attributed to each semester, whereas the total of ECTS for receiving the degree are a minimum of 240 over the duration of eight (8) semesters.

All the active undergraduate students of the Institution are entitled to choose and to obtain **free of charge a number of textbooks** equal to the total number of compulsory and elective courses that are required for receiving the degree.

Knowledge of the English, French or German language is mandatory for being awarded the degree in all Departments.

E-Learning

During the COVID-19 pandemic, Panteion University adapted and continues to adapt the educational process accordingly.



Internship Programme

The aim of the Internship programme is to create a bridge between academic education and the job market. This activity aims at: a) developing professional skills and equipping students with competences that will allow for a smooth transition into the workplace, and broader social environment; b) assisting students to discover their comparative advantages in workplaces and areas of research so that they may make the appropriate choices in career orientations and postgraduate studies; c) familiarising students with research, technology, innovation and entrepreneurship in the public sector, the private sector and the social sphere.

The Internship Programme provides a salary and insurance to students for the three-month duration of the work practice per academic semester.

Post-Graduate Studies

The Postgraduate Studies Programmes are part of the strategic planning of the University, aim at the promotion of knowledge, the development of research and the contentment of the educational, research and development needs of our country.

Panteion University offers fifteen (15) Postgraduate Studies Programmes, which are organized by the Departments of the University. There is also an, additional, Interdepartmental Postgraduate Studies Programme on "Gender, Society, Politics".

ERASMUS+

ERASMUS+ is the European Commission's Programme for Education, Training, Youth and Sport, which aims to enhance skills and employability as well as to modernize education, training and youth systems in all areas of Lifelong Learning (Higher Education, Vocational Education and Training, Adult Education, School Education, youth activities).

Students can take advantage of the Erasmus+ Programme in order to realize:

- a study period abroad at a Partner Higher Education Institution
- an internship (placement in a job position) abroad in a company or other related workplace.

Panteion has 321 Inter-Institutional Agreements with Programme countries and 56 Inter-Institutional Agreements with Partner countries. During the academic years 2016-2020, a total of 780 students of Panteion University moved to Universities inside and outside Europe, while 701 students from European and International universities came to Panteion.

It is worth noticing the ever-increasing number of students moving abroad for Internship within the Erasmus + Placement Program.

Research

Having strategically built up its research base over the past years, Panteion now enjoys a vibrant research culture that is well-established and consciously sustained via its various departments research units. Its fixed priority is to improve its performance by generating research of international reach.

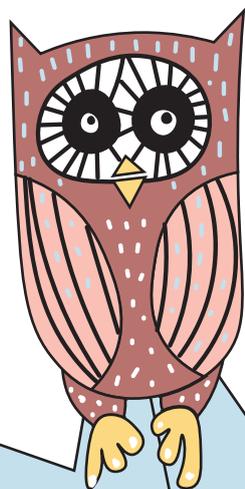
Some of the fundamental parameters of the University's research policy are to strategically secure funding (focusing on the European Programmes Horizon 2020, Marie Curie and Framework), to manage funds rationally, to enter into strategic inter-university and transnational research partnerships, to support the work of the University's research units, to work with other research centres in Greece, to have a Research Ethics Committee in place, and to undertake research projects with a social impact.

Lifelong Learning

The Education and Lifelong Learning Centre (KEDIVIM) forms part of the University, which ensures coordination and interdisciplinary cooperation in developing educational lifelong learning and training programmes. The Centre mainly aims to provide knowledge, qualifications and cutting-edge skills to professionals, employees and unemployed individuals seeking to acquire a strategic edge in the job market through their professional development.

The programmes offered include adult teacher training, arbitration, applied criminology, blockchain economics, school psychology, corporate social responsibility, e-justice, school unit administration, intercultural education, special education and positive psychology.

Teaching is either in-house or via e-learning.





Research Projects

Panteion University is the Greek university dedicated to social and political sciences and thus places emphasis on the promotion of interdisciplinarity, innovation and the development of critical thinking on social and political institutions, as well as social phenomena in Greece, the EU and globally. Research carried out at Panteion is of two types: theoretical research, aiming at the creation of new knowledge in social and political theory, and applied research, seeking to understand contemporary sociopolitical issues and develop efficient and sustainable solutions in response to the issues identified.

In 2020, Panteion participated in 131 projects: 28 funded by the EU, 24 funded from the Hellenic Foundation for Research and innovation (HFRI), 11 funded by the National Strategic Reference Framework (NSRF), 6 funded from ERASMUS, Panteion's Life Long Learning Centre (KEDIVIM) and the University's Research Committee (ELKE), while 50 projects were funded by own resources.

University Research Institutes

University Research Institutes (URI) focus their research activities on a specific discipline. They are affiliated to one or several departments within the university or other universities and can collaborate with public or private bodies and scientific associations in Greece or abroad. Panteion has three Research Institutes:

The Regional Development Institute - ipa.panteion.gr

The Institute of Urban Environment and Human Resources (UEHR) -

www.uehr.gr

The Institute of International Relations (IDIS) - www.idis.gr

ipa.panteion.gr



www.uehr.gr



www.idis.gr



Laboratories

Laboratories are research units aimed at: a) producing new knowledge, b) linking research carried out within a specific area with graduate and doctoral studies, c) enabling the use of new technologies in education and research, d) organizing events and conferences and undertaking studies commissioned by public and private bodies.

Panteion has a total of 12 laboratories (linked to the various departments) covering various domains of social and political science. Further information on the laboratories can be found on the Departments' websites.



Library

Panteion University Library and its Information Centre (ViKep) is located in the neoclassical administration building extending to four floors with a total area of 2500 sq.m. The purpose of ViKep is to support and foster educational and research activities of the Panteion academic community, in terms of its undergraduate and postgraduate educational programs, while at the same time it promotes academic objectives and contributes to the fulfilment of the social responsibility of the University. In order to achieve its purposes, the Library has fully automated its services and functions and develops print, electronic and digital collections as well as internet applications and services. The Library also participates in national and European networks aiming at a more effective use of the information resources available.

Student Services

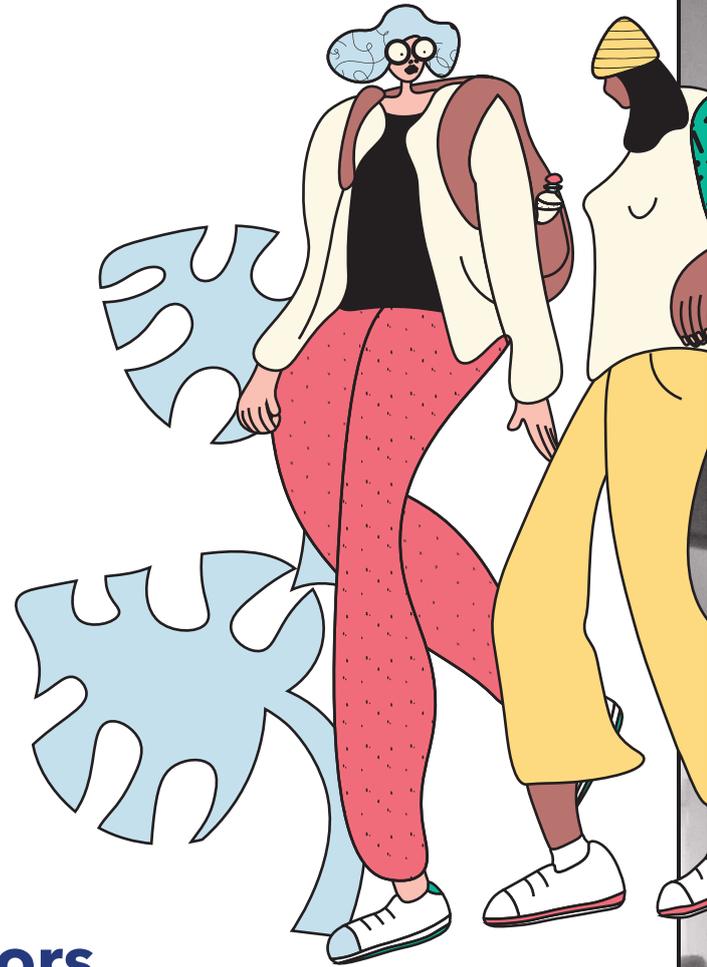
Ombudsperson

The Ombudsperson's mission is to mediate between students and the university's teaching or administrative personnel, to safeguard lawfulness in the context of academic freedom, to respond to cases of mismanagement and to safeguard the good functioning of the university. The Ombudsperson can make inquiries either on its own initiative or following a complaint filed from a student and mediates in the appropriate bodies. The Ombudsperson does not examine issues related to grades or student evaluations.

Careers Service

The Careers Service provides guidance and information to students and alumni on issues related to education, career planning, skills acquisition and professional development.

The Careers Service supports students in their job search by networking with public organisations, and companies in the private sector.



Tutors

Tutors provide guidance and support to students, facilitate their transition from secondary to tertiary education, and assist them in curriculum related issues. At the start of the academic year, each department appoints one or more academic staff members as tutors.

Language Centre

The following language courses are offered to students: English, French, Italian, Russian and Persian. German language courses will be offered soon.

Adequate knowledge of a foreign language from those taught at the university is a prerequisite for graduating. Adequate knowledge can be testified either through a language certificate submitted to the Language Centre or by taking (and passing) an exam in one of the above languages.



Student Affairs

Student status is acquired upon enrolment to a department and ends upon graduation or disenrollment. All undergraduate courses offered at Panteion University (and all Greek Universities) are tuition-free for Greek students.

Students can benefit from the following:

- Free access to services offered by the University Library
- Free Wi-Fi on university premises
- Free language courses offered from the Language Centre
- Free textbooks and/or other course materials
- Discount on public transportation (Student Pass)
- Full health and medical care
- Use of the Wellness and Recreation Centre
- Free student meals (conditional)
- Free housing (conditional)

According to the current legislative framework, students are entitled to the above benefits for the duration of their studies (8 semesters). If the student has not completed his/her studies after the 8-semester period, the above benefits are provided for 4 more semesters (n+2 years of study).

Students of all levels (i.e., undergraduate, graduate and doctoral students) who meet the requirements set by the Ministerial Decision of 18/06/21 are entitled to free meals. Student meals are provided by the university restaurant (15-17 Lagoumitzi Street). The restaurant is open throughout the week (breakfast, lunch, supper), but is closed during the Christmas, Easter and summer breaks.



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