



SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND POLITICAL SCIENCES DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATION AND MEDIA STUDIES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

Summer School 2022 Lesvos, July 4th – 17th

Refugee/Migration Flows and their Media Portrayals Call for Applications

Migration is one of the burning social, economic and political issues of our time, caused by oppression, civil conflicts, wars, discrimination and persecution, poverty, climate change and many other factors. Europe, and especially Greece, is one of those areas that are temporarily or permanently accepting large numbers of refugees and migrants.

At the same time, the construction of the public image of refugee and migrant flows by the media contributes to shaping the decisions taken by governments and supranational bodies, such as those of the EU, concerning the management of refugees and migrants in various social areas such as politics and rights, education, employment, housing, etc.



In-depth knowledge of these developments is useful not only to those who study subjects related to immigration, or to the media, but also to those who study a wide range of subjects, including teachers and in particular the teaching of the language and Greek culture, those who specialize in public administration and political science, in economics, religion, geopolitics, human rights, etc.

The English-speaking Postgraduate Program of the Department of Communication and Media Studies of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens "Media and Refugee/Migration Flows" offers the opportunity to those who wish to participate in the Summer School, without attending the specific Postgraduate Program. In this way, they will have the opportunity to gain knowledge on the issue closely, on the place where an important part of the management of refugee and migrant flows takes place.

Deadline for Applications Sunday June 12, 2022*

The city and the program



Mytilene, the capital of the Greek island Lesvos, is infamously known throughout international media for its role in the so-called European Refugee Crisis. According to UNHCR, 57% of arrivals by sea transited via Lesvos and the port of Mytilene became a primary entry way into the EU.

The purpose and objectives of the intensive Summer School in Lesvos island is the training of graduates in communication, media and journalism, as well as executives from the private and public sector in this field, regarding valid and objective information of citizens. Additionally, the Summer School will provide opportunities to students to investigate the communication management of refugee/migration flows in order to promote a positive response to the ongoing tensions and crises created at national and cross-national level.



Visits to refugee camps, discussions with representatives of international and local organizations and NGOs, organized contacts with natives of Lesvos as well as other activities will facilitate an in-depth understanding of the challenges on the island and allow for an insight into the situation in Greece. The seminars and workshops on the campus of the University of the

Aegean in Mytilene, Lesvos, will bring together renowned academia and experts to shed light on the phenomenon of migration and to discuss proposals and recommendations.

The Summer School is open to students from media and communication studies, political and social sciences and other related fields. Students should be currently enrolled in Bachelor, Master or PhD level at a Higher Education Institution.

A certificate of attendance will be given to the participants. Full attendance corresponds to 15 ECVET (European Credit system for Vocational Education and Training).

*The deadline for submission is strictly and will not apply only if the number of ten (10) candidates is reached earlier than 12th of June.

Participation Fee:

The applicant may choose one of the following options

- \bullet 700 euros \rightarrow The amount covers the tuition fees of courses, lectures and workshops.
- 1.750 euros → The amount includes tuition fees, ferry tickets (go and return tickets from Athens to the island of Lesvos), accommodation in a single room, one meal per day and all transfers within the island required by the educational program.

To apply, please, submit the following documents:

- Completed application form (find it attached in docx format)
- Photocopy of Identity Card (two sides) or Passport
- Detailed CV with photo, preferably in Europass format
- Certificate of Enrollment (Bachelor, Master or PhD)
- Proof of advanced knowledge of English language (level C1)

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