



View from my office window in Shanghai, 2014
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Our team

**International Relations with a Focus
on East Asia**

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Global governance, research, policy writing



A thorough grasp of different cultures and

the systems created in them is key to sustainably and robustly peaceful international relations. I look forward to being part of this MA program, which will contribute to that aim by enabling students to better understand East Asia, as well as their own environments. **Jelena Gledic**



This new International Relations programme will open a window on East Asia with a specific regional perspective on the rapidly transforming global landscape of multiple interactions, cooperation and contestation. Students will get an insight into a vast region of political diversity, deep cultural traditions and broad impact on global trade and security. **Csaba Törő**

Politics and diplomacy



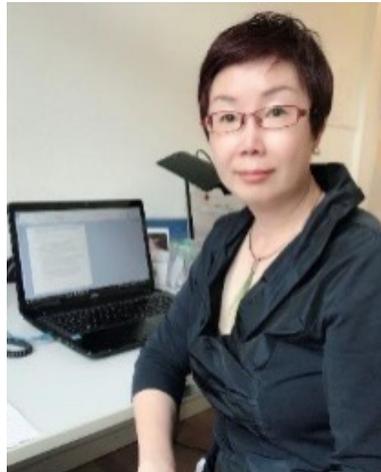
Beyond acronyms: global governance, great power politics – sprinkled with a unique East Asian perspective. **Viktor Eszterhai**

The programme implements an innovative approach to understanding the key role of East Asia in the fast global structural changes in the world order, international system, and patterns of interactions among all international actors. It provides both theoretical and practical knowledge and develops the relevant competencies and skills for career building in multiple spheres of interactions between East Asia and the rest of the world. **Sándor Kusai**



Sustainability, digitalisation, AI

We focus on digital transformation and technological innovation in East Asia: AI, super-apps, automation, smart cities, and immersive technologies through comparative case studies from China, Japan, and South Korea. The course highlights how digital change intersects with sustainability goals, governance, and international competition across the region. **Tania Becker** and **Nancy Wilms**



I'm excited to teach in a programme that treats East Asia not as a footnote to global politics but as one of its driving forces. My goal is to help students move beyond headlines and develop the analytical tools to understand how the region, and China in particular, shapes, and is shaped by, the wider international system. **Barbara Pongratz**

Society and economy

East Asia is a very important region from an economic point of view, and the East Asian economic and trade relations course can provide a brief but comprehensive overview about these countries: China, which is the world's second largest economy, and Japan and South Korea, which are the models of developmental states. If you plan to do international business, it is better to know these countries and their economies. **Attila Simay**



In the state-socialist era of the last century, Budapest seemed to be a distant and exotic world from the Hungarian mining town of my childhood. But when in the 2010s I called my eight-year-old daughter in Budapest, standing on the street in front of a sushi bar in Kyoto, on a smartphone made in Korea, she didn't feel anything „exotic”: for her it was an everyday action. **Csaba Dupcsik**

Legal matters

I hope students will gain a deep understanding of the diplomatic dynamics between East Asia and the West, as I believe that the economic decisions of the future are being shaped in this region. Students can become insightful analysts of global power shifts, utilizing the program's focus on international law and diplomatic history to act as a bridge between European mindsets and Asian strategic perspectives. **Lilla Király**



Our aim is not only to broaden perspectives but to inspire you to actively engage in discussion and critical debate on East Asia. With Lilla Király we explore together legal traditions and institutions shaping China: how modern Chinese law has evolved through dynamic interactions with Confucianism and Legalism, Western colonial encounters, Soviet governance legacies, and the marketisation of China's former planned economy. **Cong-rui Qiao**

Political thought, nation and narration



In a few decades Asia has moved from the global periphery to the core. This programme will help you understand the workings of the new core. **Duncan Freeman**

We need a better understanding of our world with a fast-expanding East Asia, examining not just political and economic, but also historical and cultural interactions, and their impact on global issues. **Ildikó Farkas**



Our team is there to guide you in a new world order, where Asia is the driving force. **Ágota Révész**, programme director
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