

DISTANCE LEARNING MSc PROGRAM IN ENGLISH



MSc in European Regional Development Management



The M.Sc. in European Regional Development Management is a **New Distance Learning Program** offered jointly in English by the **Department of Planning and Regional Development, University of Thessaly** and the **Department of Economics, University of Athens**, certified by the Hellenic Authority for Higher Education (Decision QA_2668/17.02.2026).

ERDM is a 3-Semester / 90 ECTS MSc Program that provides in-depth academic expertise in the interdisciplinary field of regional policy and strategic management. The obtained knowledge and competencies are related to the planning and management of development policies at the regional and national level, with an emphasis on understanding the economic, institutional, and administrative factors that influence the effectiveness of policy instruments.

ERDM is supported by an **International Advisory Board** of leading academics from world class Universities or Institutions, such as the London School of Economics (LSE), the University of Manchester, the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, the University of Strathclyde, the Politecnico di Milano and the Chinese Academy of Sciences.

ERDM graduates can be successfully employed in Regional Authorities, Municipalities, Public Agencies, Consultancies, Ministries, as well as the European Commission itself, as experts with a deep understanding of the interplay between structural deficiencies, strategic planning, policy implementation, as well as the regulatory framework of projects and programs financed by national and European resources.

The **ERDM** Program is offered on a full-time basis and requires the successful completion of 90 ECTS - ten graduate courses and the preparation of a Master's Thesis.

Applicants must hold a degree from Greek Universities or equivalent academic institutions from EU or non-EU countries in related fields including economics, management, business,

geography, urban and regional science, planning, regional development, humanities, social science and public administration. Applicants from other scientific fields are also encouraged to apply.

ERDM tuition fees of €4,000 for the entire program, except for students falling under the provisions of Article 86 of Law 4957/2022.

Interested applicants may submit electronically to the email address erdm@uth.gr until Monday, 31 August 2026, the following documents:

Application form <https://erdm.uth.gr/application/>

Curriculum Vitae (CV)

Clear photocopy of degree or diploma

Clear photocopy of academic transcript

Clear photocopy of proof of English language proficiency. The required level must be at least equivalent to the State Certificate of Language Proficiency Level B2 under Law 2740/1999, as amended by paragraph 19 of Article 13 of Law 3149/2003. Holders of undergraduate or graduate degrees in English are exempt from this requirement.

For more information, you may visit the website of the Master's Program (erdm.uth.gr), or contact the Program via email at erdm@uth.gr, or by telephone: Isidoros Pappas (+30 24210 74455) or Alexandra Sotiriou (+30 24210 74467).