Master's in Arts and Culture
Comparative Cultural Analysis

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The programme offers a challenging combination of intellectual rigour and flexibility. I am constantly astonished by the imaginative solutions students from a wide range of backgrounds come up with.

Comparative Cultural Analysis is dedicated to exploring a variety of cultural phenomena from a theoretical, interdisciplinary and intercultural perspective. Works of art, literature, cinema and new media, as well as academic and popular culture, are examined in relation to contemporary issues. These issues include globalisation, mobility, gender identities, and social and cultural conflicts. This Master's programme examines the sometimes conflicting, but always productive, dialogues between cultural phenomena, with a special emphasis on issues of mobility and identity construction.
Intercultural Dialogues 1 and 2
In this course you will study the comparison, dialogue and translation between different cultural expressions, experiences and blind spots that such interactions typically contain. Through contemporary processes of globalisation, the borders and interactions between different cultures are erratically and unpredictably redrawn, allowing for new forms of interactions as well as imposing new blockages. Can literature and the arts help us to perceive the possibilities and drawbacks of our globalising world?

Career prospects
The degree programme will enable you to develop an interdisciplinary, theoretically-grounded perspective on cultural objects, establish productive encounters between objects, cultures and theories, and provide you with the necessary skills for analysing and researching cultural phenomena. As a graduate, you will have acquired a solid understanding of cultural and literary theory. Depending on your chosen specialisation, you will be well equipped to find employment, for example, as an editor for a publishing company, employee for a cultural or scientific organisation, or as a teacher.
Entry requirements

The Master’s in Comparative Cultural Analysis is open to all students with a university Bachelor’s diploma in: • Comparative Literature Other university Bachelor’s diplomas will also be considered, provided you have successfully completed sufficient academic courses relating to Comparative Literature or Cultural Studies (to be decided by the selection committee on the basis of your application). For more information, please check: uva.nl/ma-comparative-cultural-analysis > Application and admission