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Panteion University
of Social and Political Sciences
I didn’t become a rich man, although I had many opportunities, and that was because the idea that tormented me was contrary to the very idea of wealth.

The purpose of life is found in the struggle and the mission to which a man devotes himself or, where his own nature pushes him.

I poured all my capabilities and my merits into the founding and organization of this School. This is I hope the final task of my life.

G. Frangoudis
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Panteion University, founded in 1927, has grown steadily over the years as a monothematic university dedicated to social and political sciences.

The University takes pride in fostering strong ties with other prestigious universities abroad, with other well known institutions of Greek society and with the local community of Kallithea.

At Panteion University, our aim is to provide all students with a fulfilling academic experience from the university programs which are based on scientific methodology and principles.

We train our students as individuals who can make a difference, by enabling them to gain academic and professional knowledge, critical thought, a sense of confidence, social responsibility, as well as by preparing them for a future career which fulfils their professional aspirations. An integral part of this education is the development of analytical thinking and problem solving skills, the setting of high personal goals, the quest of outcomes, along with an understanding of individual creativity and social responsibility.

My dear Students, Panteion University continues on its path, committed to the delivery of quality education and innovation. It is with these sentiments that I wish you all every success in your studies and in your future careers.

Ismini Kriari  
Rector  
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I. General Information

Panteion University bears the honor of being the oldest University of Social and Political Sciences in Greece, founded in 1927, with a great contribution to fostering and developing the social and political sciences in Greece. It is one of the leading academic communities in Greece with a strong reputation mainly in the fields of constitutional, administrative and international law, international relations, economics, sociology, political science, psychology and mass media studies. With regard to teaching and research the University has contributed to the shaping of the respective disciplines in Greece. Its Environmental Protection program is on the Academic Impact List of the United Nations.

The first Postgraduate program in Greece was founded at Panteion University in Regional Studies in 1975 by the late Professor Ieronymos Pintos, an authority in the field. In addition, our country’s first course in Criminology and the first Institute for Gender Studies were established at this University.

Panteion University introduced the Erasmus exchange program into Greece. Furthermore, the University’s presence in the international academic world has been promoted with four Jean Monet Chairs in European Law and a UNESCO Chair on Democracy and Human Rights, frequent participation in conferences worldwide as well as the organization of conferences in Greece and abroad.

Our University consists of four faculties and nine academic departments, and twelve postgraduate programs with about twenty-nine directions:

A. Faculty of International Studies, Communication and Culture
1. Department of International, European and Area Studies
2. Department of Communication, Media and Culture

B. Faculty of Social Sciences and Psychology
1. Department of Sociology
2. Department of Social Anthropology
3. Department of Psychology

C. Faculty of Political Sciences
1. Department of Political Science and History
2. Department of Social Policy
D. Faculty of Economic Sciences and Public Administration

1. Department of Public Administration
2. Department of Economic and Regional Development

Every summer, the University operates English language Summer Courses in Olympia as well as on the islands of Tinos and Syros.

Panteion also operates 11 Laboratories, 22 Research Centers and 3 Research Institutes. Panteion University offers English, German, French, Italian, Russian and Iranian as foreign languages courses. Local and foreign students work together in an attempt to foster interest in different languages and cultures and to promote relations through the language exchange service.

At Panteion University today, more than 9.500 undergraduate students in normal duration of study (n years+2) are enrolled, while the number of postgraduate students is more than 800 and the number of the doctoral level students is about 1.100.

The academic staff consists of 233 members of the teaching and research staff, who are assisted by 107 administrative employees.

Panteion University has many illustrious graduates and faculty members. The former Presidents of the Hellenic Republic Michail Stasinopoulos (1975), and Konstantinos Tsatsos (1975-1980) were Professors of Administrative Law and Philosophy of Law respectively. Former Prime-Ministers Panayiotis Kanellopoulos (1945, 1967), Ioannis Paraskevopoulos (193) and Konstantinos Simitis (1996-2004) were Professors at our University in the fields of Sociology, Economics and Commercial Law. Many members of the academic staff have been elected as Members of the Greek Parliament or have served as Ministers in different Governments.

Some members of our academic staff have also served as President of the Academy of Athens, the highest intellectual institution of Greece. These include: Sokratis Kougeas, Professor of History (1953); Ioannis Theodorakopoulos Professor of Philosophy (1963); Dionysios Zakythinos,
Professor of History (1974); Georgios Vlachos, Professor of Political Science (1990); and Konstantinos Despotopoulos, Professor of Philosophy (1993).

Professor Stelios Seferiadis was a Member of the International Court of the Hague. In the recent years Professor Christos Rozakis was elected Judge in the European Court of Human Rights in Strasbourg and Professor Charissis Tagaras served as a Judge in the Court of the European Union in Luxembourg.

Members of the University also played an active role in the resistance against the junta regime (1967-1974): The late Professor of Economics and Rector Dionysis Karagiorgas as well as the former Rector and Professor of Sociology Vassilis Filias were sentenced to years of imprisonment because of their activities against the dictatorship.

Panteion University has become Greece’s leading diplomatic training establishment, given that every year the majority of the candidates who pass the exams for the Diplomatic Academy are former Panteion students. Panteion alumni serve in all sectors of public administration and in many sectors of private enterprise.

(Compiled by Prof. Ismini Kriari)

II. Historical Background

The history of Panteion University goes back more than 90 years. It is the story of a creative, progressive struggle associated not only with the course of Higher Education and the development of Social Sciences in Greece, but also with the broader transformations of social and political life in this country.

The names of two men are associated with the founding of the School. One of them was a Cypriot from an historic Limassol family, Georgios S. Frangoudis (1869-1939), who studied law in Athens and political science in Paris. The second was the son of a well-to-do family from Volos, Greece, Alexandros I. Pantos (1888-1930), who also studied law in Athens and then political science in Paris. Both men studied at the École Libre des Sciences Politiques in Paris, although in different times because of the difference in their ages. As a free forum for scientific
knowledge and expression, this School in Paris exerted great influence on intellectuals.

Even though the paths of these two men never crossed, they had a common vision, which was to establish a School of Political Sciences in Greece, similar to that in Paris. The former, Frangoudis, at some point made this vision his life work. The latter, Pantos, made the vision possible, as he left virtually his entire estate for the foundation of a School of Political Sciences in Greece inspired by the École Libre des Sciences Politiques in Paris. To promote his ideas for reforms, Frangoudis established the Educational Renaissance Society in 1924, thus identifying the areas in education that required reforms. To realise this goal, G. Frangoudis founded the School of Political Sciences through “Educational Renaissance”.

Panteios was recognized as a cradle of freely expressed ideas along the lines envisaged by its founders, particularly after the famous debates on parliamentarism in May, 1932. Among the debate participants was George Papandreou who was Minister of Education at the time as well as other distinguished academics and students.

Panteion University is a member of European Universities Association (EUA).

The University aims to provide students with a solid academic education as well as to equip them with the latest skills in preparation for their professional lives. We pride ourselves on the quality of our teaching as well as on our wide-ranging and innovative study programs which meet the needs of society, help to improve the competitiveness of the labor market through master’s and Phd level students as well as staff development.

The Panteion University authorities create conditions favorable for developing student self-governance while Panteion students, through educational, research and community-oriented activities make full use of the privileges granted to them.
OUR VISION

Panteion University seeks to be a leading global University which is recognized for excellence in education and research as well as for offering scientific knowledge and innovation both to Greek society and the world as a whole.

OUR MISSION

Our mission is to educate scientists, as well as social and political leaders who will be an asset to Greek and international society, both by following in the footsteps of the ancient Greeks in addition to initiating global developments in scientific knowledge on the basis of critical thought and a spirit of productive cooperation.

OUR VALUES

At Panteion University, we give priority to teaching and learning through innovation with emphasis on critical thinking, communication, interactivity and the use of technology. We make every effort to foster intellectual and scientific development and responsibility. We balance theory with applications in Social and Political Sciences in order to prepare our students for success in a multinational and globalized environment.

OUR GOALS

The goals of our University are to ensure the quality and impact of our research and teaching for the Social and Political Science community. We promote the spirit of knowledge and innovation at every step of the educational process as we guide our students to explore their interests and capabilities as well as to develop their intellectual and human potential.
STUDY PROGRAMS TEACHING & RESEARCH

Our University’s reputation rests on the quality of its research and teaching as well as on its multi-disciplinary profile which offers exciting research and learning opportunities across a wide range of disciplines.

Panteion University promotes a great number of initiatives targeted at designing, implementing and assessing curricula and at improving management, teaching innovation and teacher training so as to meet the demands for high quality teaching. Panteion University also fosters the implementation of teaching and research innovation projects, creates new teaching and research resources, supports new educational experiences and prepares reports and analyses to enhance the quality of teaching and encourage teaching and research innovation.

FACULTIES AND ACADEMIC DEPARTMENTS

Each academic department in Panteion University awards a degree in its particular field. In some academic departments, this degree encapsulates directions or specializations. The study program of every academic department includes compulsory and elective courses. Panteion University students may attend courses in other departments of this University or at other Universities with which Panteion University collaborates. Off-campus courses are selected after having been approved by the department in which the student is registered. The study programs are assessed on a yearly basis and decided upon by the General Assembly of each academic department in April. The study programs for the academic year to follow are announced at the end of every academic year.

Internships

An important part of a student’s program is the internship, which takes place in the private or in the public sector. The Internship provides students with experience related to their field of study and provides that student with the opportunity to take part in the labor market. An internship lasts for about three months. It is equivalent to one course in the study program and after its completion, students are awarded credits (ECTS) which count towards their degree.
**Undergraduate Thesis**

In some departments, students in the last academic semester of their studies submit a thesis which is regarded as a compulsory course. The thesis gives the students one last opportunity to be evaluated and to evaluate themselves with respect to the knowledge and skills they have acquired in their undergraduate studies. In cooperation with their supervisor, students test their ability to express themselves on a scholarly subject of interest to them, by writing a paper that will also demonstrate their skills in bibliographical research, in planning, and conducting scholarly investigation. But above all it will reflect their ability to set out their theoretical thesis clearly and to justify it on a theoretical or methodological basis.

**Examinations - Grades**

An academic year is made up of two semesters, the winter and the spring semester each of 13 weeks duration. If they do not pass one of their courses, students are provided with the opportunity to repeat it.

Semester examinations, written or oral, are held at the end of every semester. If a student fails in a semester course exam (in February for the winter semester and in June for the spring semester), he is not considered to have completed the course until he successfully sits for a supplementary assessment in September.

Grades are allocated on a scale of 0-10 (no decimal points) with a minimum passing mark of five.

**Degrees**

To receive a degree, students must have completed the required number of academic semesters of study (a minimum of 4 semesters, a maximum of 8 semesters). This is defined by the level of studies (undergraduate, postgraduate, or doctoral level) of the student and the category to which the student belongs to according the status of his/her entrance into the University. The student must have acquired the number of credits necessary, both as a total and per category of courses, as defined by the department in which the student is enrolled.
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

Aim of the Department

The aim of the Department is to provide teaching, research, postgraduate studies and an international presence on current major theoretical research through the multi-disciplinary management of social problems.

The Department cultivates sociological teaching and research needs which emerge from the swift changes and transformations that characterize global society today.

Within this context, the Department undertakes the systematic study of society, social behavior and social institutions, and also investigates changes in the structure of human society and contemporary social and individual problems.

The Department aims to train sociologists capable of processing both scientific and current perceptions of social problems, which they may be called upon to face in their professional practice. It seeks to train, but also to promote the investigation of various aspects of social life and problems created by social coexistence.

Postgraduate Studies

Postgraduate Program: «Sociology»
- Direction: Social exclusion and Human Rights
- Direction: Greek and European Society
- Direction: Social and Political Theory

Postgraduate Program: «Criminology»

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL ANTHROPOLOGY

Aim of the Department

The aim of the Department is to provide students with the specialized knowledge and scientific methodology necessary to study as well as to undertake research on society and culture. Special emphasis is given to the analysis of social, economic and political institutions, the exploration of the symbolic and linguistic representations, the analysis of the social construction of gender, the examination of the kinship system structure, the interpretation of the manufacturing processes of cultural identities and the formation of ethnic and religious groups, in addition to the analysis of educational mechanisms, migratory movements and health structures. The objectives of the Department also include the development of joint research programs and the
reinforcement of scientific exchanges with Western and other societies, particularly in the Mediterranean region, the Balkans, Southeast Europe and the neighboring Islamic societies. To meet these objectives, the Department of Social Anthropology is oriented towards the organization of the following directions: the Anthropology of Greece and neighboring societies (Europe, the Mediterranean, the Balkans, Middle East), the Anthropology of health and Biopolitics (gender, kinship, health, new technologies, body, ages, deviation, diet-nutrition), Interculturalism and Cultural Policies (education, immigration, tourism, space and the environment, material culture, museums, visual anthropology, ethnomusicology, anthropology and archeology), the Methodology of Social Anthropology, and Globalization: Social and Economic Aspects.

**Postgraduate Studies**

Postgraduate Program: «Social and Cultural Anthropology»

**DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY**

**Aim of the Department**

The policy and objectives of the Psychology Department are formulated and developed within the context of responsibility and challenge. More specifically, this Department offers highly theoretical training to its students in the basic fields of psychological science (psychophysiology, neuropsychology, experimental, cognitive, social, developmental and clinical psychology). Furthermore, the Department familiarizes and trains its students in the basic rules and scientific research methods for the capturing, understanding and interpretation of the human behavior, and it promotes the further development and promotion of psychological science as one of the human and social sciences. The training or retraining of the members of the teaching and research staff of the Department in countries such as France, Switzerland, Greece, the USA, Italy, and Canada provides an opportunity for professors to sensitize students to the political/ideological basis of theories of psychological science as these were developed and as they grew in the context of knowledge within specific socio-political systems and eras.

**Postgraduate Studies**

Postgraduate Program: «Psychology»

- Direction: Social Psychology of conflicts
- Direction: Positive Psychology: Applications and Consulting
- Direction: Identity and interpersonal relationships
- Direction: Cognitive and Developmental Psychology
DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE AND HISTORY

Aim of the Department

The Department studies and undertakes research on political science and political history with an emphasis on the scientific fields of Political Theory, Political Philosophy and Psychology, the Theory of the State and Political Practices, the Theory of empirical methods in Social Sciences, Political Systems Theory, the Theory of the European and Greek political history, the establishment and operation of Institutions and the Theory of Political Parties. It aims at a ‘disciplined’ conflict with the prejudices of collective obsessions, the stereotypes of self-admiration and intolerance towards others, either national-religious-minorities within the territory or borders, foreigners and enemies as established at all levels and fields of our society (political, journalistic, mass media communications, educational, schools, universities). The intention of the Department is to teach students Tolerance towards other different theories, ideologies and perceptions. In order to do so, we stress interdisciplinary convergence, theoretical reflection, a comparative approach, a comparative framework set in different historical times and geographical locations.

Postgraduate Studies

Postgraduate Program: «Political Science and History»

- Direction: Political Science
- Direction: Modern and Contemporary History

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL POLICY

Aim of the Department

The Department of Social Policy aims at the education of social scientists in studying and undertaking research into society, the interpretation and analysis of social phenomena and problems, the analysis of institutions and social structures and their ongoing and modern transformation with the final goal the planning, the application and evaluation of social policy at a local, national and international level. In particular, the aim of the Department is to educate students in the fields of social policy, social theory, social and economic development, social history, rural and urban sociology, rural geography, demography and the state or non-governmental intervention in the areas of employment, social security, labor and social relations, income, health, combating social inequalities and social exclusion, gender exclusion etc. Special importance is given to the methodology of the social sciences, planning,
application, monitoring and evaluation of the programs and the measures of social policy as well as to the issues of organization, administration and functioning of social services in general in order to offer to its graduates high potential for employment in positions related to the planning of social policy, the coordination, the monitoring, the management and evaluation of the programs of social protection and intervention.

**Postgraduate Studies**

Postgraduate Program: «Social Policy: Methods and Applications»

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**FACULTY OF INTERNATIONAL STUDIES, COMMUNICATION AND CULTURE**

**DEPARTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL, EUROPEAN AND AREA STUDIES**

**Aim of the Department**

The objective of the Department is to provide students with a high quality education in international studies. To this end, the Department fosters the study of the international society phenomena in interdisciplinary manner with a theoretical and methodological arsenal and in particular through the study of law and institutions, international relations, political science and political economy. Consequently, the Department aims to help students embed the basic principles of international and European law and the basic theory and methodology of International Relations and International Political Economy. Students are expected to be able to read the related literature in two foreign languages, to carry out basic research with the use of computers and to engage in scientific activities such as attending seminars and workshops.

Learning Objectives-Success tools:
a) Internationalization and strengthening of the openness of our student community, through participation in student mobility programs (e.g. Erasmus) and international summer schools of the Department that enable the forging international cooperation networks
b) Cultivation of research skills through programs of expert researchers in the research centers of the Department
c) Formation of academic culture through focusing on Academic Ethics Rules
d) Interface with labor market and social agencies through Internships
Postgraduate Studies

Postgraduate Program: «International and European Studies»

- Direction: International Law and Diplomatic Studies
- Direction: International Relations and Strategic Studies
- Direction: International Economic, Financial and Banking Law
- Direction: European Law and Public Policy (Jean Monnet)
- Direction: Environment and sustainable development (Jean Monnet)
- Direction: International Economic Relations

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATION, MEDIA AND CULTURE

Aim of the Department:

The objectives of the Department include: the theoretical and historical-empirical investigation of the phenomenon of communication both in teaching and at the research level; the practical training of students in media space (newspapers, radio, cultural management, new technologies, advertising, public relations and rhetoric); the training of journalists and executives for daily public press and the media; and the training of cultural managers, communications specialists, advertisers, public relations specialists and executives of all communication and information forms and infrastructure for teaching and research.

Postgraduate Studies

Postgraduate Program: «Communication, Media and Cultural Administration»

- Direction: Communication and Media Rhetoric
- Direction: New Media and Journalism
- Direction: Cultural Management
**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION**

**Aim of the Department:**

The Departmental objectives as well as its educational and scientific orientation are determined by the fields of study of the Sectors, as detailed in the study program-curriculum. In particular, research activity extends to the study and analysis of all current problems of Public Administration and its services. The Department focuses on providing students with a complete consolidation of all core areas of the wider public sector and on supplying them with specialized knowledge and expertise which will prepare them to be competent executives in the aforementioned public sector covering the range of all modern state activities. Further Departmental objectives include the complete/comprehensive coverage of key issues and methods concerning the problems of Public Administration and the study of state organization and state operation.

**Postgraduate Studies**

Postgraduate Program: **“Public Administration”**

- Direction: Culture of Law: Public and Private Law
- Direction: State and European Union Administration
- Direction: Economic Science
- Direction: Taxation and Auditing
- Direction: Public Management
- Direction: Law, Technology and Economy
- Direction: Business Law and Administration

**DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

**Aim of the Department**

The Department focuses on a relatively new subject, which incorporates modern interdisciplinary notions concerning the nature and character of regional and overall economic development. The "philosophy" of the Department is based on the view that the analysis of economic growth consists of complex social processes whose critical dimensions are space and time, that is its people, the place and its history.

Space is treated simultaneously as geographic (place, city, region, etc.) with specific problems but also as a historical in the sense of the historical determinations and limitations. The Department seeks to analyze the
phenomenon of development, not within the narrow limits of economics, but also enriched with knowledge coming from the area of social and natural sciences. Based on this theoretical grid of values, the curriculum is arranged around two parallel and equivalent axes: the axis of economic science and the axis of regional science.

### Postgraduate Studies

Postgraduate Program: **«Applied Economics and Regional Development»**

- Direction: Applied Economics and Administration
- Direction: Applied Civil and Regional Development
  - Specialization: Regional and Local Development Planning
  - Specialization: Economics of Real Estate

Postgraduate Programs are offered in every Department/Faculty and most of them include more than one direction/specialization.

Panteion University also offers the inter-departmental Postgraduate Program «Gender and Equality Studies in Social and Political Sciences» in which the Academic Departments of “Sociology”, “Social Anthropology”, “Communication, Media and Culture”, “Public Administration” and “International, European and Area Studies” are involved.
SUMMER SCHOOLS

During the summer period (July and August) some Departments of the University have established summer schools in the islands of Tinos and Syros and in Olympia (i.e. the summer course on Cultural Management on the island of Syros, the summer course on Strategic Studies on the island of Tinos, the summer course on Cultural Diplomacy in Olympia). The language of instruction is English, since the eligible students come from many countries as well as the professors.

DOCTORAL STUDIES

The Doctoral studies conducted at Panteion University cover all the scientific fields taught at Panteion University. The goal of doctorate level studies is to enhance the students’ personal, professional and career development and to provide a broad set of skills in individual research and academic work.

All academic Departments offer a doctoral degree. The procedure for the acquisition of a doctorate is governed by specific laws and by the prerequisites designated by each department. Further information can be provided by the relevant department.

For admission to doctoral studies, the principal requirement is a master’s degree in the same or a related field. Students can begin working on a doctorate as soon as they have obtained their Master’s degree. Research and the preparation of a substantial thesis are essential parts of the doctoral studies. The doctoral thesis is published and must be defended in a public disputation.

RESEARCH CENTERS-UNIVERSITY INSTITUTES-LABORATORIES

Panteion University is strongly committed to social and economic development and needs and thus it encourages the transfer of innovation and knowledge to the economic sector. The Research Committee, the University Research Institutes, the University Research Centers and the University Laboratories carry out national and international projects in experimental, social, political and humanitarian areas. Panteion University promotes and manages
European/international research cooperation projects and through the Memorandums of Understanding (MOU) and presently the International Credit Mobility Erasmus+ is carrying out comprehensive actions to improve exchange and mutual knowledge between professors and scientists from different laboratories, creating the foundations for greater cooperation projects.

Research at Panteion University is based on two main pillars:

- The Research Committee and the Special Account for Research Funds
- Teaching and Research in the Faculties and Academic Departments of Panteion University

Research at Panteion University is undertaken in 38 research Institutes, Research Centers and Laboratories in which numerous academic tutors, young researchers and students participate.

Panteion University operates the following Institutes:
- The Institute of Regional Development
- The Institute of the Urban Environment and Human Resources
- The Institute of International Relations

Panteion University operates the following Research Centers:

- **Department of Sociology:**
  - The Research Center of Social Theory and Applied Social Research
  - The Hellenic Center of Criminology
  - The Research Center of Economic and Social Researches
  - The Center of Penal Sciences
  - The Center of Social and Cultural Studies
  - The Center of Historic Sociology

- **Department of Communication, Media and Culture:**
  - The Center for Classical Drama and Spectacle
  - The Center of Eastern Studies

- **Department of Psychology:**
  - The Center of Cultural Development and Social Exclusion
  - The Center of Social Psychology and Public Opinion Research
  - The Center of Psycho-social Research of the Governance of Potential Communities

- **Department of Social Policy:**
  - The Center of Social Morphology and Social Policy

- **Department of Political Science and History:**
  - The Research Center for Modern History
  - The Center for Political Research
Department of International, European and Area Studies:
- The European Center for Environmental Research and Training
- The European Center for Research and Training in Human Rights and Humanitarian Law
- The Mediterranean Program for International Environmental Law and Negotiation
- The European Center of Economic and Financial Law

Department of Public Administration:
- The Governance and Sustainable Development Center
- The Study Center of Ancient Greek and Hellenistic Law
- The Research Center of Governmental Policy
- The Center of Research and Management for Local Government and Decentralization Issues
- The European Center for Fiscal Law Scientific Studies
- The Center of Legal Culture
- The Center of Business and Organizations Auditing and Administration

Panteion University also operates the following Laboratories:

Department of Communication, Media and Culture:
- Communication, Media and Culture
- Journalism
- New Technologies
- Advertisement and Public Relations
- Culture and Culture Administration
- Rhetoric and Speech

Department of Sociology:
- The Sociology of everyday life
- Urban Criminology
- Sociology of Education and Culture

Department of Psychology:
- Experimental and Applied Behavior Analysis
- Virtual Reality and Internet Research and Education
- Social and Experimental Psychology
- Clinical and Criminal Psychology

Department of Social Anthropology:
- Ethnographic Laboratory

Department of Economic and Regional Development:
- Economic Research and Geographic Information Systems

Department of Political Science and History:
- Policy of Conflicts
- Modern History
- Political Sociology and Comparative Political Analysis

Department of Social Policy:
- Gender Studies
- Informatics
UNIVERSITY MUSEUM

Panteion University has an important university museum dedicated to the university’s heritage. The museum collection comprises paintings, sculptures, engravings, drawings, emblems, furniture and a large number of other pieces.

Some of the items that are exhibited in the historical Museum "Georgios Frangoudis”, which was inaugurated on 30 June, 2014, are:

- Documents from the inauguration of the Panteios Higher School of Political Sciences
- The first study programs-curricula of the Panteios Higher School of Political Sciences
- Photo collections of University events (honorary doctorates awarded, foundation and inauguration of the University buildings, etc.)
- Original furniture (the first Senate table etc.)
- Documents and school certificates from folders of students.
- Books of Panteion University’s professors
- Busts of Ioannis Kapodistrias and the two founders of Panteion University Alexander Pantos and George Fragoudis
  - by the sculptor I. Pappas
- Table-lithographs
- 36 portraits of former Prime Ministers of Greece, former professors and Rectors of the University.
- The toga with the medallion of the Rector.
- The model of the new building of Panteion University

CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

Panteion University organizes theatrical performances. Since 2014 it operates a students’ choir with a rich repertoire.

Panteion University has a close and fruitful collaboration with Onassis Foundation “Onassis Cultural Center” in the field of cultural development, enhancing and strengthening the bonds between our Institution and private cultural agents.
INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION

Panteion University pays close attention to the development of international collaboration in order to promote its identity internationally and to strengthen the reputation of the University worldwide. To date, Panteion University has signed over 300 bilateral agreements worldwide within the Erasmus + Program and also “Memoranda of Understanding”, among others with:

- HELLENIC ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION NETWORK OPERATOR
- INSPECTORS-CONTROLLERS BODY FOR PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION
- UNIVERSITY OF UTRECHT
- NEAPOLIS UNIVERSITY OF PAFOS
- UNIVERSITY OF CYPRUS
- TECHNOLOGICAL EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTE OF IONIAN ISLANDS
- UNIVERSITY OF CAIRO
- FINANCIAL UNIVERSITY UNDER THE GOVERNMENT OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION
- EAST CHINA UNIVERSITY
- ESN (European Sociology Network)
- FREDERICK UNIVERSITY
- AIKATERINI LASKARIDIS FOUNDATION
- HALKI THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL

The exchange programs and active international contacts and collaborations offer opportunities for our students to study abroad as well as possibilities for incoming students.

In fact, we welcome students from many countries all over the world through the international and European Erasmus + exchange programs. To serve our international students, we offer a wide range of high quality and innovative learning opportunities, mainly in English, ranging from individual courses, through “reading courses” to entire modules and Master’s and doctoral programs. All of the University’s departments are now within the European Credit Transfer System.

To facilitate student mobility we are continuously upgrading our academic and student support services. The Erasmus Student Network (ESN) plays an important role in looking after the welfare and well-being of our international students and organizes a wide range of social and cultural activities. For several years, we have sought to define our profile by stressing the international dimension in our research and teaching activities, in our cultural policy and in the services we provide. Our strategic goal is to strengthen our position as a multi-disciplinary university equipped to meet the global, international and regional challenges.
The international activities and cooperation in which the University is engaged both influence and enhance the quality of our education and research. These activities improve our students’ ability to compete both in the national and international markets.

The outgoing or incoming Erasmus students, our own teaching staff and our administrative staff, as well as visiting staff from abroad, play a central role in strengthening international cooperation at all levels. We strongly believe that even a short period of teaching and also training abroad can help to equip the teaching staff as well as administrative staff to face the challenges of internationalization.

Our aim is not only to provide international students with good quality teaching and interesting research projects but also to offer modern, up-to-date facilities, pleasant surroundings and a variety of social activities.

The European and International mobility of Panteion is implemented through its Department of International Relations and European Union (Erasmus Office). The main tasks of the Department are the promotion and monitoring of inter-university agreements, the collection and diffusion of academic exchange programs and research opportunities, the coordination and administrative support of the University’s European Educational Programs, especially within the framework of inter-institutional agreements, such as Erasmus, the organization of international meetings and expositions, etc.

The Erasmus+ Program is coordinated by the Institutional Coordinator who is assisted by Departmental Coordinators and the Erasmus Committee which is appointed by the Senate. The Erasmus Office consists of highly qualified administrative members. Promotional and guideline meetings, organized by the International Office, take place twice a year. The Panteion Erasmus Student Network (ESN) assists in our efforts to organize supplementary events to the profit of the Erasmus Society in order to promote exchange mobility. Public access is accomplished through our website. The Bilateral Agreements are signed by the Rector who is the legal representative of the Institution, after being closely scrutinized so as to assure academic added value.
The successful completion of the study period abroad for each of the selected courses mentioned in the Learning Agreement is recognized by awarding ECTS. Our Institution has already adopted the ECTS (along with our local credit system) which is designed to guarantee quality, transparency and full academic recognition. The credits for each course attended abroad are allocated and approved by both the academic and departmental coordinators according to the Transcript of Records approved by the host institution. Students are awarded ECTS after attending and successfully completing courses according to the pre-signed Learning Agreement and after taking part in examinations leading to the successful completion and approval of the student’s knowledge/skill. The academic credit system adopted emerges from the Bologna Convention in accordance with the demands of the Greek Higher Education system. A great number of fundamental operational and academic principles are currently under revision.

Panteion University was one of the very first Greek universities to join the Erasmus program which was founded in 1987. Since that year, through its Department of International Relations and European Union, Panteion has successfully participated in the program. It has now concluded more than 180 bilateral agreements with participating universities all over Europe, facilitating outbound and inbound students, as well as administrative and teaching staff mobility, in addition to safeguarding the principles set out in the Erasmus Charter.

In 2015 Panteion University joined Erasmus+ International Credit Mobility establishing bilateral agreements with universities from the People’s Republic of China, Egypt, the USA, the Russian Federation and Serbia. In 2016, Panteion University submitted a new proposal including over forty universities in 13 countries worldwide, thus widening the scientific spectrum of student and teaching mobility on a global basis.

As the connection between science and practice has become imperative and in view of the economic difficulties and rising unemployment, Panteion University has spearheaded the foundation of a Consortium for Traineeships (Placement) within the framework of Erasmus+. This program enables students to pursue an internship, and potentially a career, abroad. Originally made up
only of the Higher Education Institutions led by Panteion University, the Consortium has now been enriched by local authorities connecting and diffusing knowledge to society and the labor market. Currently, the Consortium members are Panteion University (Coordinator), University of Piraeus, Harokopio University, the National Technical University, Democritus University of Athens, the Technological Education Institute of Piraeus (Piraeus University of Applied Sciences), the Municipality of Piraeus, the Municipality of Kallithea, and the Municipality of Maroussi).

The Department of European Union is responsible for the smooth operation and viability of the Erasmus+ program through all its stages, from the drafting of proposals to the administrative implementation, to providing support for outgoing as well as incoming participants. Our University has secured free access for these students to University Library services and to the Panteion sports Center. To further facilitate the integration of foreign students into everyday Greek life and culture, Panteion University also offers Greek language courses in cooperation with the Modern Greek Language Teaching School of the University of Athens.

**SCHOLARSHIPS**

According to Greek Law, all Greek students are provided with undergraduate studies free of charge. At Panteion University, students also do not have to pay for their postgraduate studies. In addition, every Academic Department is given a number of awards and scholarships which are funded by the Ministry of National Education and Religious Affairs, the State Scholarship Foundation and also other foundations or agencies. The scholarships are awarded to diligent students who excel in the entrance exams to the University or during their course of studies at the University. Scholarships, awards and books in the student’s field of studies are granted to students on the basis of their performance and financial status.

As a complement to the national and international scholarships which are available, Panteion University offers scholarships for a number of different purposes, such as complementing the Erasmus+ mobility Program, supporting university participation and information, fostering access to postgraduate
Panteion University is widely acknowledged as one of the leading European destinations for students from other member States in the Erasmus mobility program. Therefore our Institution promotes and economically supports academic exchanges, thus reaffirming the creation of opportunities for all.

The Bologna Declaration, signed by the Ministers for Education of 29 European countries, was the official start of the convergence process towards a European Higher Education Area, in which all European Union member States take part. The new educational area will allow for mobility of European students, who will benefit from study periods abroad. We are running three European Programs within Erasmus+:

- Erasmus+ Program for studies, teaching and training Mobility,
- Erasmus+ Panteion University Consortium for Placement
- Erasmus+ International Credit Mobility.

More than 4,000 of our students, a great number of our teaching and administrative staff members have already participated in these European Programs and benefited from these initiatives. As befits any serious University, we are strongly committed to the future and actively promote quality in teaching and research. Furthermore, we work hard to strengthen links with institutions, businesses and agents in the Private Sector, which has enabled Panteion University to increase its funds devoted to research and scientific production in general.

Every year, Panteion University welcomes almost two hundred foreign students and teachers from all over the world.
Panteion University has a remarkable central Library which is located in the neoclassical building on Syngrou Avenue. The entrance is on the ground floor of the building, but the library extends to three more floors with a total area of 2000m², with its own elevator and staircase.

The purpose of the Panteion University Library and Information Service is to cover, support and promote educational and research activities of the Panteion academic community. The Library also supports instructional missions of undergraduate and postgraduate programs and at the same time it promotes academic objectives and contributes to the fulfillment of the social role of the University.

In order to achieve its purposes, the Library has fully automated its services and functions and develops printed, electronic and digital collections as well as internet applications and services. The Library also participates in national and European networks aimed at a more effective use of the information resources available.

In October 1991 the Library began its reorganization and modernization. With the economic assistance of the Operational Programs for Education and Initial Vocational Training (part of the 1st and 2nd Community Support Frameworks) the Library has been transformed into a modern institution. Library use has increased significantly, and it is considered to be one of the most pleasant and popular facilities of the University.

The Collection

The Library possesses a valuable collection of more than ninety thousand printed books and eight-hundred printed journals, as well as web access to more than thirteen thousand of the most prestigious international journals.
The library’s collection covers a wide range of the social and political sciences: philosophy, psychology, sociology, political science, economics, law, administration and management science, history, literature. It also covers subjects such as: information science, applied sciences and mathematics, social anthropology, criminology, accounting, etc. The print and digital material is mainly in Greek and English while there is also material in the German, French and Spanish languages.

Library Web site (http://www.library.panteion.gr).

Users’ main contact point with the Library is the webpage of the Library. The website is supported by a digital information network system which enables library staff to perform functions such as: content update, announcements and events presentation, user support, digital services, etc.

All members of the academic community of Panteion University have the right to use the Library services provided they have a valid Library card. Open access collections and reading rooms are also available to external users who may search for print material and study in the reading rooms.

Services include circulation/borrowing services, interlibrary loan and document delivery services, material orders to enrich the collection, Library Training Courses to familiarize its users with its material and services.

Digital Library repository (http://pandemos.panteion.gr)

The digital library of Panteion University offers access to full text documents of postgraduate and doctoral theses, lecture notes and Greek journal articles and conferences papers. These publications are produced from the intellectual activity of the members of the Panteion University scientific community. PANDEMOS contains also the University publications (yearbooks, et al.) and the University’s historical photos collection.

Access to PANDEMOS is free for everyone and is based on the principles of the Berlin Declaration on Open Access to Knowledge. Through Pandemos, widespread publication and immediate availability, greater promotion and protection of work to the broad scientific community are achieved, while scholarly communication is enhanced.
Other facilities

The Panteion Library provides access to its services for the blind and for partially sighted users and it has a private room and a workstation fully equipped with hardware and software for print-disabled students. Moreover the Panteion Library pioneered the creation of AMELib, which provides accessible books to all beneficiaries’ print-disabled users of academic libraries in the country online. It was also the first to attempt a collective online public directory (online public access catalogue - OPAC) which contains the electronic version of many books.
Wi-Fi

Panteion University offers Wireless Online Campus with coverage across the whole campus to 30,000 potential users. Thanks to this service, the University members have free access to the Internet as well as to all computer services such as online registration, email, library etc. from any location on the University campus: cafeterias, outdoor areas, classrooms, administrative centers, libraries or study rooms.

STUDENT SERVICES

❖ MEALS

All undergraduate and postgraduate students are entitled to free meals that are provided at the university restaurant. Students living in residence or in boarding houses take their meals at their place of residence using a meal card. The restaurant operates every day of the week, morning, noon and evening, except during the Christmas, Easter and summer holidays.

Detailed information is available from the Student Welfare Department.

❖ HOUSING

The Panteion accommodation service informs and advises students on the different housing possibilities. One option is living in the University residence which offers both accommodation and complementary academic, cultural and leisure activities for the whole University community. The Student Residence is located in a university owned building near the campus. It is temporarily out of service due to ongoing renovations. Until the work is completed, students entitled to accommodation live in hotel rooms or are granted a rent allowance. In cases in which students do not want or are not entitled to stay in the University dormitory/housing, they should look for private housing on their own and it is advisable to do so before the term begins.

Detailed information is available from the Student Welfare Department.
**HEALTH CARE**

Free health care for all the students of Panteion University is an essential and fundamental right. Students are entitled to be admitted and treated in public hospitals free of charge. After their enrollment in their department, students receive a Student Health Booklet, provided that they declare they would like their health insurance to be covered by the University. The documents necessary are determined by the Health Care Department, which is the responsible administrative structure for health insurance to which students are expected to apply. Additionally, a clinic operates on the university campus and provides first aid to any member of the university community upon request. Detailed information is available from the Health Care Department.

**SPORTS**

Panteion University is interested in providing its community with athletic and sports opportunities which are an important expression of student activity.

For this reason the University Sports Center plays an important role in university life, being a significant pole of attraction especially for students. Students at Panteion University enjoy a wide range of athletic, cultural and leisure activities. Students have an opportunity to take part in many athletic programs under the supervision of experts. The University Sports Centre organizes a large number of sports training sessions and competitions during the academic year. Students wishing to engage in sports can join the university student teams and compete in University Games, inter-university competitions and tournaments in Greece and abroad, as well as in International, European and Greek championships. Panteion University students have often won prizes in Athletic Games. The sports available at Panteion University are: Gymnastics- Football and mini soccer 5x5- Aerobics- Swimming- Basketball and Korfball- Hiking- Volleyball and Beach Volley 3x3- Mountain climbing- Weight lifting- Skiing- Martial arts- Badminton- Traditional and Contemporary dances- Modern dances- Rafting- Chess- Track and field- Ping Pong.
● POST OFFICE

A Hellenic Post (EL.TA) office branch is open weekdays (Monday to Friday) from 8.00 to 14.30. The post-office is situated on the ground floor of the New Building, next to the Clinic.

● STUDENT PASS (ID)

A Student Pass is given to all undergraduate and graduate students for as long as they retain their student status. Persons enrolling in a second degree are not entitled to a Student Pass. The Student Pass is valid for one academic year and ensures the students discount fares on Greek public transport, railways and costal shipping as well as reduced entrance fees for museums and cultural events.

Detailed information is available from the Departmental Secretariats.

● ATHENS-CULTURAL LIFE

The city of Athens has a wide cultural offering open to its most prized guests: university students.

Panteion University also has a very active social scene which enables students not only to obtain knowledge and education and but also to grow as people. Many activities are designed to merge University life with the society and the city of Athens, such as: cultural promotion and dissemination activities; cooperation initiatives aimed at fostering development; lectures which focus on a variety of scientific or social issues; the publication of research, cultural and teaching activities; and a number of other activities. These are open to all members of the University, as well as to the society at large, local business people, local authorities and people taking part in culture and science in a number of different ways. For Panteion University, these activities simply are part of the Institution’s social
responsibilities which our Institution considers very important and to which it gives priority. Our hope is that ideas born within the University will foster the vigor of the city’s cultural life and history.

**UNIVERSITY UNIONS**

Promoting student associations is a fundamental goal for Panteion University as a means to encourage the participation of students in university management as well as to develop academic, cultural or solidarity projects. This reinforces the academic training of Panteion University students while emphasizing the human dimension.

**BUDDY PROGRAM**

Panteion University, in collaboration with the Erasmus Student Network (ESN), provides international students with Greek buddies, who provide assistance to international students in their adaptation to the new study environment and give them practical advice about everyday life in Athens, Greece. ESN buddies are former Erasmus students, who are willing to help newcomers on a voluntary basis.
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