Digital Humanities is a young field of research, focused on the use of computational techniques to support research in the Humanities, Social and Behavioral Sciences. One of the key drivers of the field is the recent availability of large digital repositories within many areas of the Humanities, Social and Behavioral Sciences. These repositories offer the prospect of applying computational visualization, querying and analysis techniques, leading to the discovery of new knowledge and insights. The field also applies new digital techniques to enhance approaches, processes, skills and methods developed and applied in the Humanities, Social and Behavioral Sciences. This includes the use of digital techniques in instructional sciences, the use of digital games in social sciences or the use of digital techniques in online publishing.

Programme

The Master of Science in Digital Humanities helps graduates from Humanities, Social and Behavioral Sciences programmes to develop digital competencies that will allow them to add digital dimensions to their own domain expertise. It aims to explicitly link these competencies to research questions, case studies and applications related to the domain expertise of the students.

INTRODUCTORY COMPONENTS

Introduction to Digital Humanities
(5 ECTS)

Introductory Digital Components

Information structures and implications
(5 ECTS)

Scripting languages
(5 ECTS)

MANAGEMENT COMPONENT

Management and Information Technology
(3 ECTS)

ADVANCED DIGITALISATION COMPONENT

Emerging Technologies and Applications
(3 ECTS)

MASTER'S THESIS

Master's thesis
(Project or Internship)
(15 ECTS)

TOOLS FOR THE DIGITAL WORLD

(min. 6 ECTS - out of 24 optional)

APPLICATION DOMAINS

(min. 6 ECTS - out of 24 optional)
Admission requirements

You have successfully completed a Master’s programme in the Humanities, Social or Behavioral Sciences. Alternatively, you have successfully completed a Bachelor’s program in the Humanities, Social or Behavioral Sciences which has a normal duration of at least 4 years. For candidates with a 4- or 5-year Bachelor’s degree we require that you have obtained excellent academic results.

Programme admission: www.kuleuven.be/ma/mdhl
General admission: www.kuleuven.be/admissions

Application procedure

KU Leuven uses an online application system. You can download and submit your application form via www.kuleuven.be/application.

Students with a Flemish degree can consult www.kuleuven.be/inschrijven or set.kuleuven.be/mdh/application.

Career perspectives

As a graduate of this programme you are able to bring your own domain expertise to a higher level of functionality, using digital tools and techniques. Building both on the expertise you obtained from the programme and your prior expertise in Humanities, Social or Behavioral Sciences, are well placed to take part in opening the digital world to a larger community. Typical area’s of employment are publishing, arts and cultural centers, libraries and media.

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