

# Success Stories of the M.A. European Studies Alumni Community

## Christian Kenntner (EUS Class of 2011)



Christian works as a PR & Project Coordinator at EQAsce in Germany.

*"European Studies at Flensburg is a mind-opener and a great exchange of ideas and views. With a Bachelor-degree in Sociology and the idea to become a radio journalist, I decided to study European Studies at Flensburg. I met so many great people from all over the world and I learned so much about other countries, the view on the EU from outside and of course a lot about Europe in the study program. The insight into politics, economy, history, law and more aspects around Europe gave me the perfect background for becoming a news-speaker on different radio channels. The scientific working in English within the study program has helped getting my current position as PR and project coordinator of a European Qualification Cooperative which is located in Bonn/Germany."*

## Ledis Irisa Celorio Torres (EUS Class of 2018)

Ledis works as a People Operation Partner at scoutbee GmbH in Germany.

*"In a sentence, my job is to create an environment in which people of different backgrounds and cultures can come together and build something great. My background in Sociology and my time in Flensburg, as a EUS student, help me develop cultural intelligence. and a critical eye able to see how things come together, the complexities and nuances of any system, no matter if it is a supranational organization or company."*



## Farhod Umarov (EUS Class of 2015)



Farhod works as a Consultant & Engineering Expert at the Frankfurt School of Finance Management GmbH in Tajikistan.

*"Studying at Europa-Universität Flensburg undoubtedly opened up wide opportunities for me in terms of career growth and frankly not directly related to the course of study. Apart from the decent status of a European University diploma, which is highly valued by many employers, there is plenty of input from doctors and professors of sciences at Flensburg University, who taught and mentored us to always be objective and look at the problem from different angles and choose, so to speak, the "golden middle" approach of solution. This applies not only to study, but somehow becomes a lesson in life, which I highly value. And this approach helped me choose an interesting profession, which is not directly related to the humanities. I highly regard and cherish those outstanding classroom discussions."*

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## Orkhan Huseynli (EUS Class of 2019)

Orkhan works as a Customer Support Specialist at Ders Evi in Azerbaijan.

*"European Studies is a good chance to understand the political, economic, and social process within the EU and surrounding countries. Also, Flensburg is a beautiful city with its interesting history and splendid views. You will never regret studying and working here."*



## Yi-Wen Fang (EUS Class of 2018)

Yi-Wen works as an Assistant to the CEO and Office Manager for Dialogues of Civilizations Research Institute in Germany.



*"A Masters in European Studies led to my position in an international organization promoting the multilateralism by dialogues between diverse groups."*

## Rachael Catherine MacLaughlin (EUS Class of 2017)

Rachael is currently studying law in the United States of America.



*"A master's in European studies taught me essential skills both for my intended career path as well as continuing education. When I completed my studies I got a job with the local Sheriff's Office as a child protective investigator trainee. During my studies I worked and got the opportunity to meet people from various different countries which broadened my perspectives and helped me understand how to effectively and better communicate with people from different backgrounds than my own. That helped me greatly when I had to build rapport with the clients I worked for. I am currently a second year law school student and all the skills I gained through the master's program at the University of Flensburg have helped me be successful in law school."*

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## Romain Herault (EUS Class of 2018)

Romain works as a EU Project Manager at ALPHA\_RLH in France.

*"Studying European Studies in Flensburg was determinant to work as a manager of European projects. After graduating with a Bachelor in History and European Studies at the University of Nantes, I choose the Europa-Universität Flensburg to complete my studies. Beside learning about European politics and economics, I learnt how to work and live in an international environment. Thanks to this master, I had many opportunities to work for EU funded projects. Now I am working as an EU project manager at a cluster organisation. My tasks include the management of Horizon 2020 projects and the development of new EU projects. Moreover, the city of Flensburg is a wonderful place for student life, I keep great memories of my student time there."*



## Christian Ivan (EUS Class of 2014)

Christian works as an Inside Sales Representative at Honeywell Romania in Romania.



*"The studies in Germany helped me getting international experience, alongside a better knowledge of other cultures, languages and communication skills. Since I finished the studies in Flensburg, I have been working in several international companies, some of them part of Fortune 100. On a voluntary basis, I am part of an external politics department within a political party and I help them with translations from German sources and EU insights. I strongly recommend the University of Flensburg, due to its international environment and the strong focus on EU politics. Regardless if the career continues in European Institutions/related fields or private sector after graduation, the experience gained within a couple of years in this environment, will be beneficial and it represents a strong asset for students to gain a more consistent Curriculum Vitae, and thus better chances to get valuable jobs."*