The School of Business and Economics

The School of Business and Economics at the University of Tübingen is committed to high-level academic education in both business administration and economics. It features a faculty of 24 professors and about 45 junior researchers, all of which are actively engaged in academic research. Our Bachelor and Master programs mirror the widely respected academic expertise of the faculty. Students gain from courses taught at the frontier of academic research as well as from dedicated tutoring and learning in small groups, with close contact to academic staff.

The School of Business and Economics offers three Bachelor of Science programs and nine different Master of Science programs that allow students to specialize in areas with promising career prospects.

Living in Tübingen

The University of Tübingen was founded in 1477. It is one of Germany's oldest and most prestigious academic institutions. Alma mater of influential thinkers like Johannes Kepler and Friedrich Hegel, the University of Tübingen has shaped European intellectual history for more than five centuries and it strives to continue doing so in the future.

Located in picturesque surroundings by the river Neckar, the city of Tübingen offers a uniquely stimulating environment, where great historic tradition and a charming old town meet present day innovation and modern campus life. With a student body of 28,500 and a community of 4,000 scholars, the University of Tübingen and its rich academic tradition are felt in every corner of the city. A large number of international students make it a place of vibrant cultural and intellectual exchange.

In addition to providing an ideal environment for learning and teaching, the city and University of Tübingen also offer a wide range of other activities, ranging from concerts and theater performances to courses offered by the University Sports Center.

Admission

Admission to the M.Sc. in Economics requires a Bachelor's degree in Economics, Business Studies or a related field with excellent grades. Applicants are expected to have sound intermediate level knowledge of microeconomics, macroeconomics and quantitative methods.

The entire program is taught in English. Applicants should therefore be fluent in English. Knowledge of German is not required to complete the program. However, German classes are available.

Admission is subject to a competitive selection procedure that includes individual interviews with faculty members. Shortlisted candidates from abroad will be interviewed in a video conference.

Dates

Application deadline: May 15
Interviews with shortlisted applicants are scheduled for June.
Letters of admission will be sent out by the end of June.
Our programs start at the beginning of October.

Please refer to our homepage to find out when we will be holding interviews this year: www.uni-tuebingen.de/en/18185

Do not hesitate to contact us with your questions: master-application@wiwi.uni-tuebingen.de
The M.Sc. in Economics program builds upon the expertise and reputation of our faculty in various fields of economics. If you want to deepen your understanding of economics in areas of your own choice, then this is the program for you.

Experts in economics become ever more important for societies to master key challenges of the future, such as achieving sustainable growth and avoiding unacceptable levels of economic inequality or unemployment. A broad range of field courses and electives gives you all the necessary flexibility to develop your individual academic profile, in order to become such an expert.

Graduating from this program, you will be able to understand the driving forces behind major economic trends, and what these mean for firms, workers, and governments. You will have the skills to analyze economic data in a scientific manner, and to grasp the logic of economic problems as required in order to find solutions.

We place great emphasis on active student involvement. Attending seminars, you will write research papers on topics in economics and present your results in class. The seminar experience will prepare you to work on your Master thesis under the dedicated supervision of a faculty member. The Master thesis will allow you to move up to the frontier of academic research.

An M.Sc. in Economics will be your first step towards an ambitious professional career both in government institutions and in the private sector.

Aside from the M.Sc. in Economics, the School of Business and Economics offers two related programs:
• M.Sc. in International Economics
• M.Sc. in Economics and Finance

Each of these programs starts with compulsory courses, paving the ground for subsequent field courses. They draw on a common pool of field courses, but each program has its own curricular requirements that reflect its philosophy and orientation.

### Studying Economics in Tübingen

### Curriculum

Our M.Sc. in Economics students are required to earn a total of 27 ECTS credits from advanced courses in macroeconomics and microeconomics as well as one course in econometrics (time series or microeconometrics). Students may then concentrate on specialized field courses in economics, flexibly combining economic theory as well as applied economics into modules adding up to another 27 ECTS credits. Moreover, elective courses allow students to further deepen their specialization or, alternatively, to broaden their expertise by attending courses of a complementary nature, including interdisciplinary elements. The elective studies similarly add up to 27 ECTS credits.

Some courses also contain a practical class, in which students learn to use econometric and statistical software packages (Matlab, GAUSS, SAS, Stata) to perform empirical analyses and to implement numerical methods in economics. A command of these tools enables our students to write Master theses with genuine quantitative research results. The importance of the Master thesis is reflected in its weight of 30 ECTS credits, corresponding to six months fully devoted to working on the thesis.

### Double Degree Option:

This program can be completed as a double degree with the University of Adelaide. Find more information on our website!

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### Professional Career

We offer a Master’s degree that enjoys a high international reputation and gives you a competitive edge on the job market. You will acquire up-to-date scientific knowledge that is in high demand for a broad range of professional careers. Graduates may aim for a subsequent doctoral degree (Ph.D.) or executive careers in business and finance as well as administrative positions in the public sector and international institutions. Moreover, career paths in economics and finance also include policy advice, publishing, consulting and research.

### Ph.D. Track

You may complete the M.Sc. in Economics program on a Ph.D. track. This effectively puts you on a fast track to a doctoral degree, according to our Ph.D. programs in Economics, Finance and Business Studies.

The Ph.D. track requires 27 ECTS credits from courses explicitly marked as Ph.D.-oriented. These courses take students to the frontier of academic research. Moreover, Ph.D. track students need to write a high-quality Master thesis that can serve as a starting point for their Ph.D. thesis.