



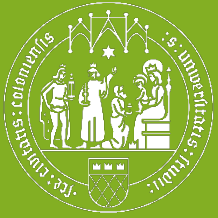
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Fall Term 2024/25





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TOP 5

GERMAN FACULTIES
FOR BUSINESS
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RESEARCH AND HR MANAGERS

#40 worldwide

FINANCIAL TIMES RANKING
"Masters in Management"

Financial Times Master in Management Ranking 2024



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KEY FIGURES – STUDENTS AND PROGRAMMES

23



Bachelor and master programmes

1

Executive MBA
in cooperation with
Rotterdam School of
Management



500



Hours of university
sports per week in 120
disciplines

3

Summer
schools



8



International master
programmes

450

Guest students
per year



70+

Clubs and party
locations

8,000

Degree seeking students
including doctoral students

80

Master
courses

taught in English



50

Bachelor
courses

most of which taught in English
and some in German per term

> 10%

of Cologne's population
are students

70

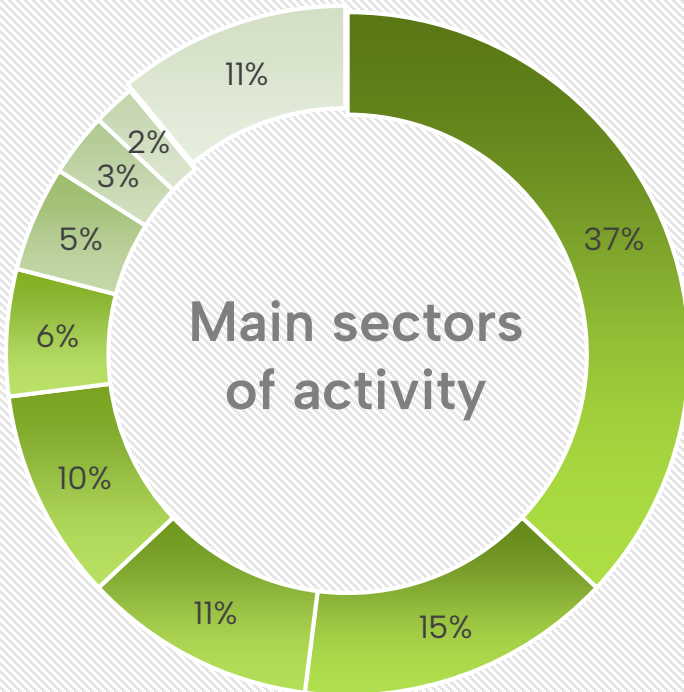
Student
associations



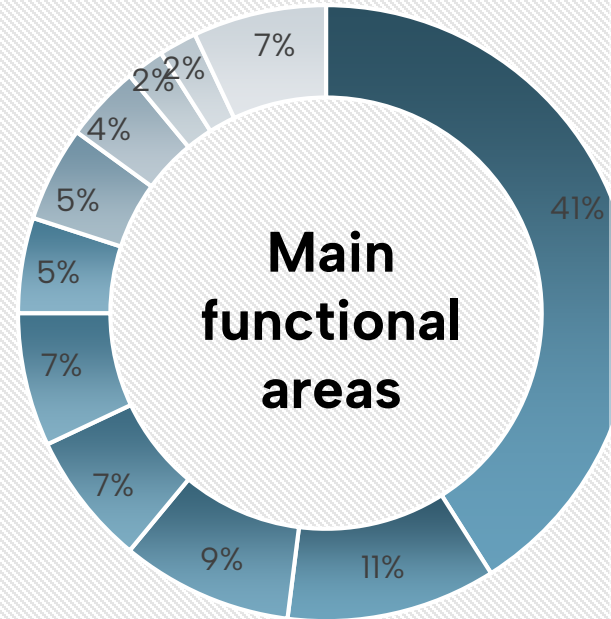
CEMS MASTER IN INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT

- The WiSo Faculty co-founded CEMS in 1988 (together with Bocconi, ESADE and HEC)
- WiSo Faculty shapes the network through strong corporate relations (Kearney, Beiersdorf, E.ON Inhouse Consulting, Henkel, DHL Consulting, Mercedes Benz Group, METRO, Deichmann, Care and Transparency International)
- Very active and CEMS-wide well-known CEMS student club
- CEMS Alumni Round Tables in Cologne, Berlin, Düsseldorf, Frankfurt, Munich and Hamburg

SECTORS AND AREAS OF EMPLOYMENT



- 37 % Consulting
- 15% Technology
- 11% Financial Services
- 10% Consumer Packaged Goods
- 6% Healthcare
- 5% Energy
- 3% Media/Entertainment
- 2% Retail
- 11% Others



- 41% Consulting/Analyst
- 11% Financial Investor Rel.
- 9% Marketing/Advertising/Communication
- 7% Operations/Supply Chain/Logistics
- 7% Sales
- 5% General Management
- 5% IT
- 4% Audit/Accounting
- 2% Legal
- 2% Human Resources
- 7% Other

- **98%** are employed or continue studying one year after graduation
- **95%** already worked outside the home country
- **76%** work for multinational companies
- **46%** work for CEMS Corporate Partners
- **49%** are fluent in 3 or more languages

Agenda

- ◆ CEMS Office Cologne
- ◆ Communication
- ◆ CEMS MIM Programme
- ◆ Term Abroad Information
- ◆ Your 3rd CEMS Language
- ◆ CEMS Internship
- ◆ Q&A CEMS Office



CEMS Office Cologne

Meet our team!



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Communication (continued)

KEEP IN CONTACT (optional)

WhatsApp Group MIM Cohort 2024/2025



LinkedIn profiles (click on the picture)



Communication (continued)

DECORUM

- First name basis
- Email lists utilized: smail and cems,
- if you use a private email address to write to us it should contain your first and last name

Email Policy

- Reasonable processing times (only during office hours)
- Formal language, English and German is fine
- Remember that your fellow students might be able to help you as well!
- If you don't receive an answer, think about it! We don't answer to emails:
 - which Google, the website or any material provided answers in a minute
 - which are placed on Friday evenings, Saturdays or Sundays for Monday morning
 - which completely dispense with an acceptable form or spelling



Information Game – Who do I contact? When? How?

Student's Registration Office

- Contact point for all organisational and legal questions about entering and completing your studies
- Application, enrolment, leave of absence, re-registration, exmatriculation
- [Website](#)

International Office

- Contact point for international students: Application of non-EU citizens, entry and residence, financing, visa, German courses
- [Website](#)

WiSo Student Service Point

- first, central point of contact for questions about studying at the WiSo Faculty and bundles services and advice in one place. This also includes questions about examination matters.
- [Website](#)

KLIPS

- Contact [KLIPS Support](#).

Werk (Kölner Studierendenwerk)

- Psychological counselling, studying with a child, learning counselling, BAföG, financial counselling
- Mensa and menus, halls of residence
- [Website](#)



Counselling for international students

International Office at UoC

Immigration & Residence Permits

Visa Regulations | Residence Permit | Health Insurance | Bank Account

Confirmations & Certificates:

Certificates for Authorities (Embassy, Military) | Academic Progress

Certificate („Studienverlaufsbescheinigung“) | Pre-Authentication for Apostille („Vorapostille“)

Costs & Financing

Cost of Living | Studying and Working

Networks & Events

International Student Associations („IHG“) | Workshops | Welcome Sessions | Intercultural Trainings | Field Trips

Career Service

International Career in Germany or Abroad | Job and Internship Portals

Services for Enrolled Students

ukoeln.de/24FPN



Personal & Digital Consultation

ukoeln.de/FU7GU



Calendar of Events

uni.koeln/WDNAR



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Communication (continued)

➤ Important Information Channels:

- **CEMS Student Newsletter by CEMS Office!**
- PIM & CEMS Club Newsletter
- WiSo Faculty Master Newsletter
- Your WhatsApp group (via CEMS Club President)

➤ Important websites:

- ZIB – WiSo / Website CEMS Office Cologne
- PIM & CEMS Club



CEMS Students Intros

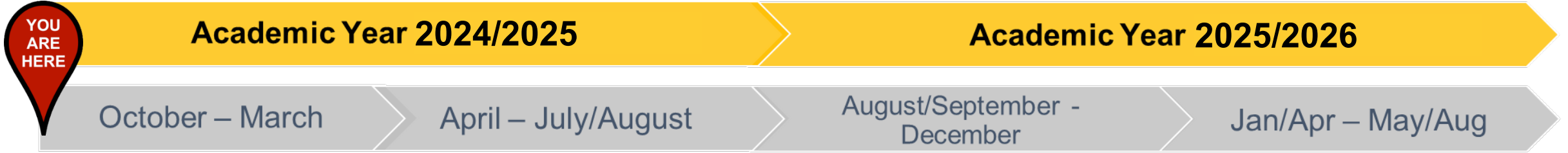
Please briefly introduce yourself

- Name and Origin
- Fun Fact: can be anything (a special skill, a spirit animal, something people usually don't know about them, ...)

CEMS MIM Programme



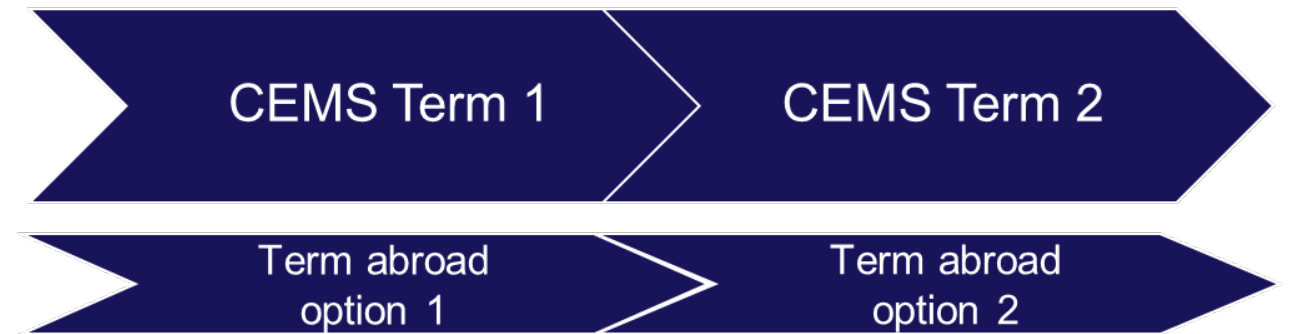
Programme Timeline



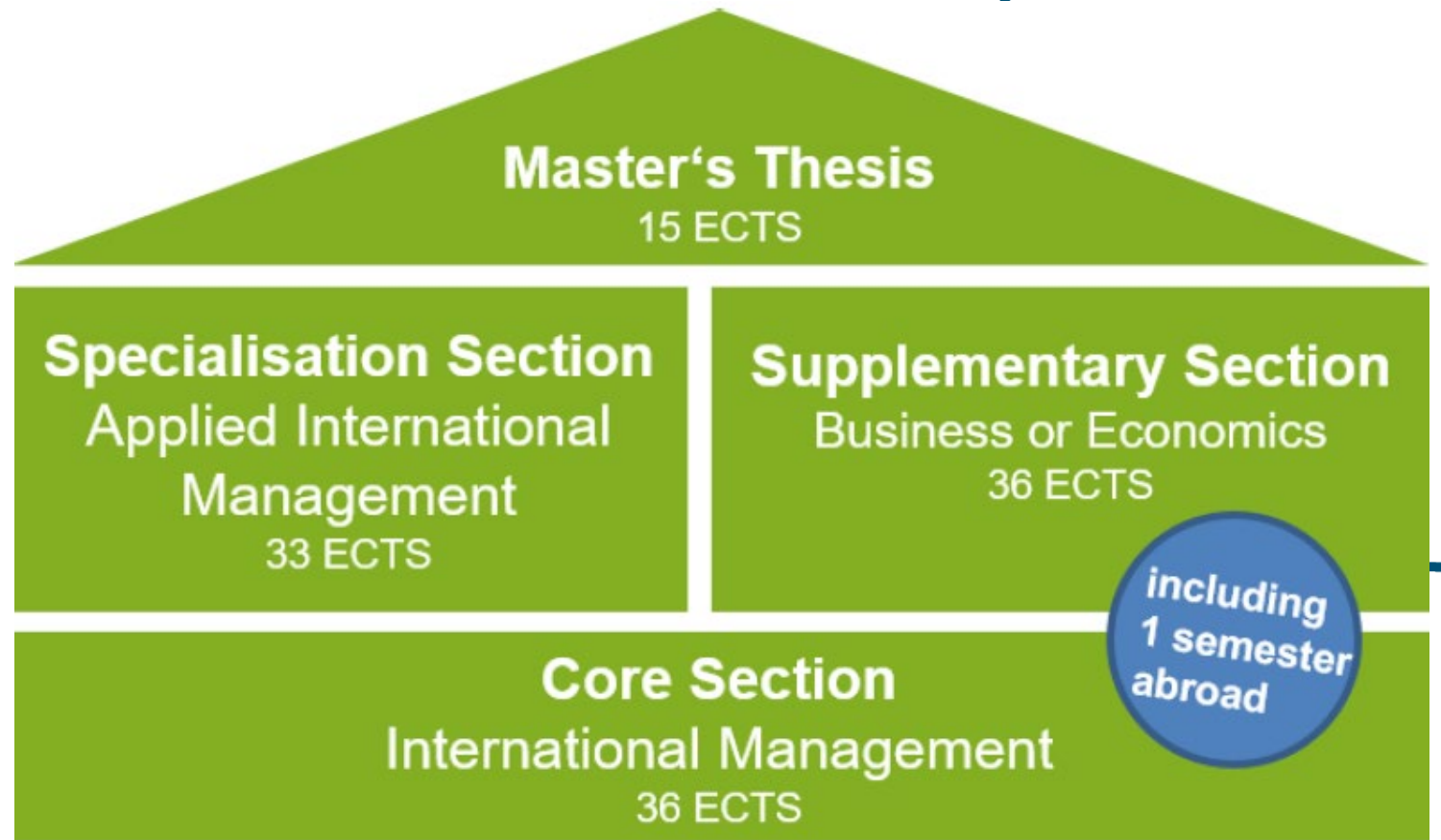
MIM Year – First Master Year



CEMS Year – Second Master Year

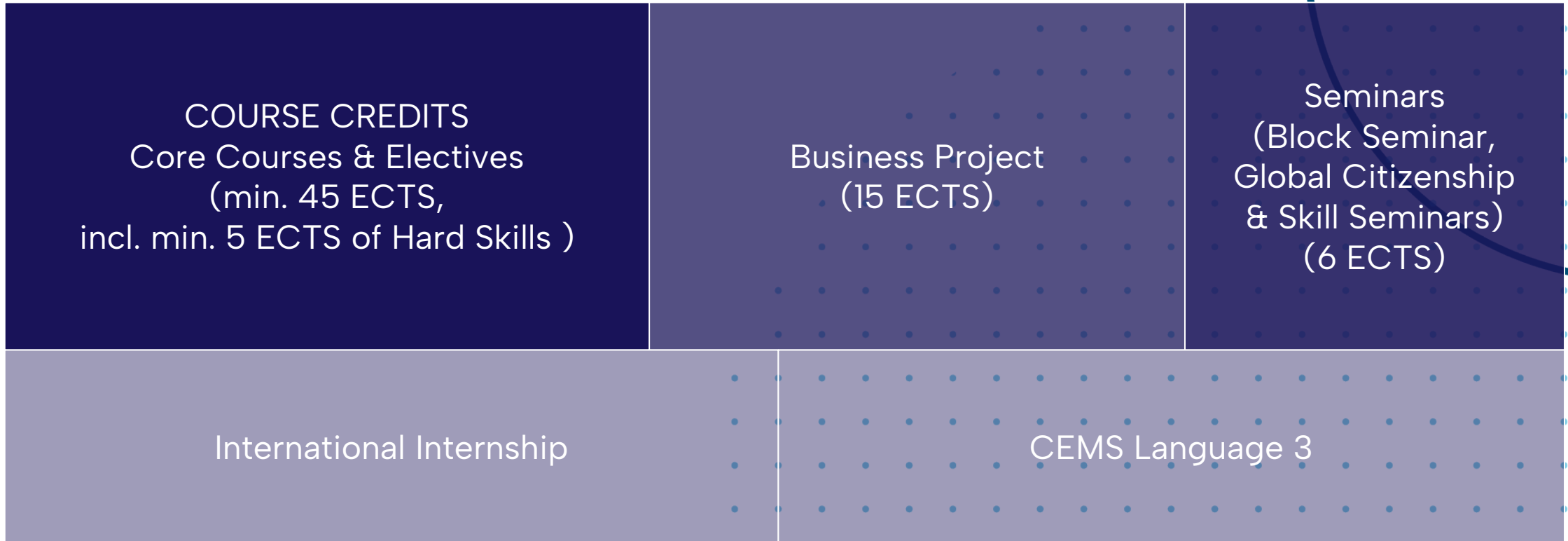


UoC MIM Programme Structure

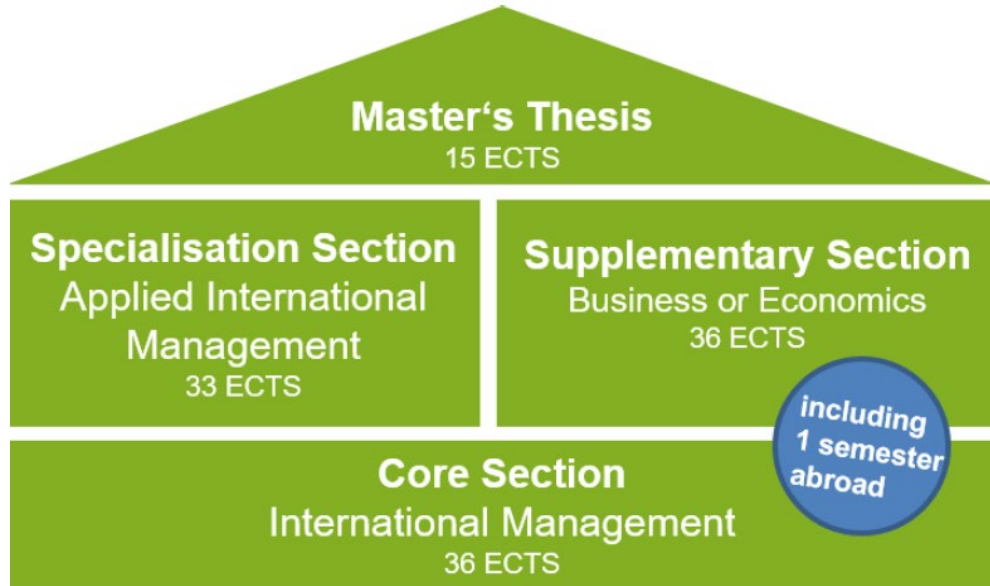


Under the Exam Regulations 2021/PO 2021, MIM students may choose freely from listed courses within the supplementary section.

CEMS Curriculum Structure



MIM Programme



- 2 year programme
- 120 ECTS in total
- No internship & language requirement
- No further requirements regarding ECTS & time

vs. CEMS Curriculum



- 1 year programme
- 66 ECTS in total
- No master thesis
- CEMS requirements (min. ECTS, timing...)

Sample Study Plan

M.Sc. Programme International Management 1st year UzK / 2nd year CEMS year

Semester	Core	Specialisation	Supplementary	Total CP	
1. Semester	<p>Core Module Supply Chain Management CC 1271MBSCM1 6 CP</p> <p>Core Module Corporate Development CC 1253MBCDV1 6 CP</p>	<p>Core Module International Financial Management CC 1259MBIFM1 6 CP</p>	<p>Supplementary Module (1/6) EC 6 CP</p>	<p>Supplementary Module (2/6) 6 CP EC <i>or 2nd semester</i></p>	<p>CP 24 0. 30</p>
2. Semester	<p>Core Module Personal Development CC 1015MBPDV1 6 CP</p>	<p>Core Module Case Studies CC 1015MBCST1 12 CP</p>	<p>Supplementary Module (3/6) EC 6 CP</p>	<p>Supplementary Module (2/6) 6 CP EC <i>or 1st semester</i></p>	<p>24 0. 30</p>

Sections

Core

Specialisation

Supplementary

All courses of the 2nd year (CEMS year) can also be studied abroad (except for the master thesis).

* Students can do their master thesis in the 3rd or 4th semester depending on the timing of their semester abroad.

Sample Study Plan – continued

M.Sc. Programme International Management 1st year UzK / 2nd year CEMS year

Semester	Section	Course Name	Code	CP	EC	Total CP
3. Semester	Specialisation	Specialisation Module CEMS Leadership and Business Skills	CC 1015	6 CP		37
		Specialisation Module CEMS Global Strategy	CC 1289MSCGS1	6 CP		
		Master Thesis International Management *	CC 1015MMINM1	15 CP		
		Supplementary Module (4/6)		6 CP	EC	
		Supplementary Module (5/6)		6 CP	EC	
4. Semester	Specialisation	Specialisation Module CEMS** Business Project	CC	15 CP		29
		Specialisation Module CEMS Global Leadership	CC 1253MSCGM1	6 CP		
		Supplementary Module (6/6)		6 CP	EC	

All CEMS Seminars included in this module

*Master Thesis can be done anytime, also in semester breaks or after the 4th semester!



All courses of the 2nd year (CEMS year) can also be studied abroad (except for the master thesis).

Extracurricular Modules

- The WiSo Faculty offers extracurricular modules for Master students. Participation is optional: <https://wiso.uni-koeln.de/en/studies/master/extracurricular-modules>
- The full course programme can be found in KLIPS under "Extracurriculare Angebote" (currently in German only).
- Note:
 - these modules do not influence your overall grade. They do, however, appear on your transcript of records
 - language courses offered here cannot be accredited for CEMS language 3, as they don't fulfil the requirements



What you can already do for your CEMS Year

- Career Forum (registration deadline 15 October)
- CEMS Skill Seminars (flexibility rule CEMS ECTS)



Skill Seminars

- We have 9 Skill Seminars planned for this term, CEMS students have priority
- We will inform you asap if an application is possible for you
- Please already make sure that your CEMS CV is updated in the CEMS CV Database and that you have access to the Job Teaser/CEMS Career Center. Create an account as you will need it throughout your CEMS studies!
- You can already see all of the offered Skill Seminars on JobTeaser



Term Abroad Information



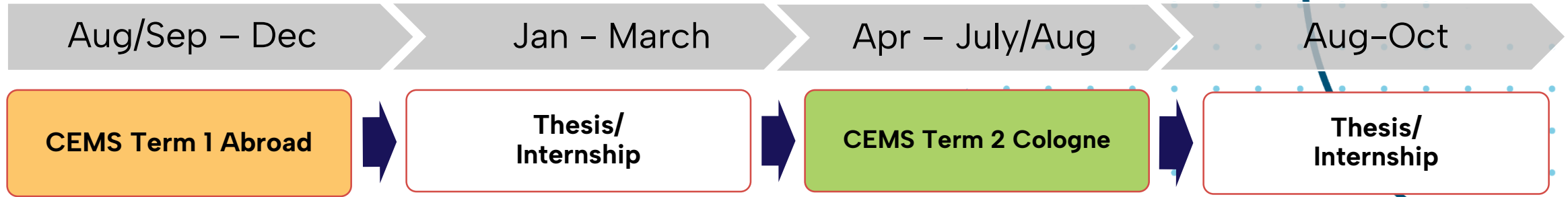
Your CEMS Term Abroad

at one of the 32 CEMS partner universities

- Term Abroad Info Session on 2 December 2024, 4.00pm
- 9 January: Deadline preference list for host schools and preferred term abroad
- Mid-January: Allocation to your CEMS host school
 - [Allocation is based on your ranking during the Master application and your preference list](#)
 - [CEMS School list](#)
 - There are different term dates to consider for your term abroad



Term Abroad **Option 1** CEMS term 1 / MIM semester 3



Term Abroad **Option 2** CEMS term 2 / MIM semester 4



Your 3rd CEMS language



CEMS Minimum Language Requirements

The minimum CEMS language requirements are the following:

Language 1	English	
Mother tongue or Proficiency (fulfilled through entry requirements and the CEMS MIM)		→ Already fulfilled during application
Language 2	any language	
Mother tongue or B1 oral /B1 written level		→ Already fulfilled during application
Language 3	any language	
Mother tongue or elementary level		→ Needs to be fulfilled

- Find all information about CEMS Language requirements [online](#) or in your CEMS Student Guide
- Feel free to do/accredit more than one language, you can have CEMS language 4, CEMS language 5....

CEMS uses the [Common European Framework of References \(CEFR\)](#) for comparing language proficiency in all European languages.

Please note: CEMS defines A1, A2, B1 as elementary level of studies.



3rd CEMS Language – assessment & validity

» [Review Language Graduation Requirements](#)

Language courses accredited for CEMS Language 3 must fulfill a *minimum of at least 60 contact hours (teaching units)*. In some cases, only a combination of two courses (in the same language) fulfills the minimum requirements – if the courses are taken consecutively. Only courses offered or listed by a CEMS school will be accredited for the CEMS/MIM studies.

	Language 2	Language 3
Mother tongue	Mother tongue declaration confirming the students's ability to speak and write the language adequately is required.	Mother tongue declaration confirming the students's ability to speak and write the language adequately is required.
University Degree / Secondary Education	Proof of secondary education / university degree completely fulfilled in a foreign language.	Proof of secondary education / university degree completely fulfilled in a foreign language.
C2 / C1 Validity: Forever	Courses - Selected language courses at CEMS Universities - Commercial language courses at accredited cultural institutes ⁽¹⁾ Exams - Accredited in-house tests at CEMS Universities (subject to availability) - Commercial language tests accredited by CEMS ⁽²⁾	Courses - Selected language courses at CEMS Universities - Commercial language courses at accredited cultural institutes ⁽¹⁾ Exams - Accredited in-house tests at CEMS Universities (subject to availability) - Commercial language tests accredited by CEMS ⁽²⁾
B2 Validity: Max 5 years before the start of MIM year	Courses - Selected language courses at CEMS Universities - Commercial language courses at accredited cultural institutes ⁽¹⁾ Exams - Accredited in-house tests at CEMS Universities (subject to availability) - Commercial language tests accredited by CEMS ⁽²⁾	Courses - Selected language courses at CEMS Universities - Commercial language courses at accredited cultural institutes ⁽¹⁾ Exams - Accredited in-house tests at CEMS Universities (subject to availability) - Commercial language tests accredited by CEMS ⁽²⁾
B1 Validity: Max 2 years before the start of MIM year		Courses - Selected language courses at CEMS Universities - Commercial language courses at accredited cultural institutes ⁽¹⁾ Exams - Accredited in-house tests at CEMS Universities (subject to availability) - Commercial language tests accredited by CEMS ⁽²⁾
A2 / A1 Validity: Max 2 years before the start of MIM year		Courses - Selected language courses at CEMS Universities - Commercial language courses at accredited cultural institutes



How can I fulfill my Language 3 requirement?

You have these 5 options:

1. Take a commercial language course at an accredited cultural institute
2. Take a language course at your CEMS Host University during your term abroad
3. Take an accredited commercial exam or hand in a certificate, if you have already done one.
4. Declare a second Mother Tongue
5. If you are an international student take a german language course at the University of Cologne

Language Course

Term abroad

Commercial Exam

2nd Mother Tongue

German

Option 1: Commercial language course

Requirements

- » Min. elementary level (min. A1)
 - » Min. 60 contact (class) hours, min. 90 working hours (workload)
 - » If there is an exam, pass the exam at the end of course
 - » A1, A2, B1 validity: **max. 2 years** before the start of the CEMS year;
B2 validity: **max. 5 years** before the start of the CEMS year; C1/C2 validity: **forever**

 - » Find [here](#) the list of Cultural Institutes accredited for CEMS
 - » In Cologne you find:
 - » Institut Français
 - » Istituto Italiano di Cultura
 - » Japan Foundation
 - » VHS Cologne (only spanish course „Crashkurs für Studierende“ accepted!)
- Please note that also a **combination of 2 courses** (same language) fulfils the requirements, if the courses are taken consecutively (same institute, within 1 year).
- The institutions accredited by CEMS are trusted for delivering high-quality synchronous online courses (self-paced ones NOT accepted)

Language
Course

Term abroad

Commercial
Exam

2nd Mother
Tongue

German

Option 2:

Language Course during CEMS Term Abroad

- » Most of the CEMS Partner Universities offer accredited language courses that fulfill the requirements for CEMS Language 3.
- » Selected introductory / elementary language courses at CEMS Universities must have a value of min. 5 ECTS or include minimum 90 working hours of which at least 60 contact hours.
- » Please get the information from the course lists or ask the CEMS Programme Manager at your Host School.

Language Course

Term abroad

Commercial Exam

2nd Mother Tongue

German

Option 3: Commercial Language tests

Requirements

- » accredited commercial tests are accepted from minimum B1 level
- » both the written and oral parts have to be successfully passed on the minimum B1 level.
- » CEMS accepts solely the commercial exams listed [here](#)*.

Language Course

Term abroad

Commercial Exam

2nd Mother Tongue

German

Option 4: Declare a second Mother Tongue

Students may declare more than one mother tongue. Mother tongues are not tested but a Mother Tongue Declaration statement will be requested upon application. Students cannot change their mother tongue once they confirmed it during application. A declaration is to be filled in for each language declared.

- » Certain combinations of similar languages will not be allowed to fulfil the requirements. These are: Bosnian/Croatian/Serbian/Montenegrin/Slovenian, Czech/Slovak, Danish/Swedish/Norwegian, Danish/Faroese, Dutch/Flemish/Frisian/Afrikaans, German/Luxembourischer, Russian/Ukrainian/Belarusian, Russian/Kazak, Spanish/Catalan.

Language Course

Term abroad

Commercial Exam

2nd Mother Tongue

German

Option 5: German language course for international students

The University of Cologne offers Pre-semester courses in March and September and semester long courses.

Please find all information on the [website](#) of the Department German as a foreign language

Language Course

Term abroad

Commercial Exam

2nd Mother Tongue

German

Your CEMS internship



Your CEMS Internship Abroad

Requirements*

- at least 8 consecutive weeks full-time in the same company (first 8 weeks of a full-time employment position are also accepted)
- abroad = placement outside of Germany
- in case of non-German nationality and non-German Bachelor it may take place in Germany or in home country
- no overlapping with CEMS term dates; internships abroad taken after Bachelor graduation may be accredited
- must be at a professional level (one or more challenging projects with a certain degree of autonomy) but have a designated supervisor within the company

Recommendations

- watch out for visa regulations
- use our broad network within CEMS and the WiSo faculty

*Internship requirements are currently revised by the CEMS Global Office, so they could be slightly different next year. We keep you updated!

! The CEMS internship does not qualify as a 'mandatory internship/Pflichtpraktikum' as defined by German law, as it is not part of your UoC Master Degree Examination Regulations (§ 22 Abs. 1 S. 2 Hs. 2 Nr. 1 MiLoG).

Q&A

MIM Welcome Part 2

On 21 October 2024, 6.00 pm – in person!
WiSo building, [room S224](#)

Including:

- Further information about the CEMS Programme
- Get to know the rest of the CEMS Office Cologne
- Learn about Corporate Partner & Career Opportunities
- Meet the PIM&CEMS Club Cologne



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THANK YOU VERY MUCH!

Have a great study start!



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