PROGRAMME STRUCTURE
Standard period of study: 4 semesters, full-time | Start: fall term | Degree title: Master of Science

The master’s programme carries 120 ECTS credits and comprises a Core and Advanced Section, a Specialisation Section, a Supplementary Section and a Master Thesis.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
A bachelor degree or equivalent with an overall grade of at least 2.7 (German grade). The degree must be worth at least 180 ECTS credits. Applicants must meet the following subject-related requirements:

• At least 18 ECTS credits in Economics
• At least 48 ECTS credits in further Economics, Business Administration and/or Social Sciences
• At least 15 ECTS credits in Statistics and/or Mathematics (methodological expertise only, not practical experience)
• Alternative: At least 40 ECTS in Mathematics
• Language requirements: English language skills B2 (CEFR)

15 JUNE Application Deadline

More information about admission requirements and selection procedure can be found online.

DETAILED INFORMATION & CONTACT
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MASTER OF SCIENCE
ECONOMICS

As students are largely free to choose the subjects they wish to concentrate on, you can opt to focus on different areas within and between fields, in line with the career you’re aiming for: Economic Design and Behaviour, Markets and Institutions, Macroeconomics, Money and Financial Markets, Macroeconomics, Growth and Inequality, Public Economics und Statistics and Econometrics.

KEY ISSUES

• On the origins of economic growth, international income differences, and inequality
• How markets should be designed to achieve policy goals
• How incentives and behavior shape optimal policies and institutions
• Energy economics and climate change
• How laboratory experiments help produce insights about behavior

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

A diverse range of employment opportunities are available to graduates in specifically economics-related roles in public institutions such as government ministries, central banks, agencies and authorities (such as competition or regulatory authorities), European institutions (such as the EU Commission), international institutions (such as OECD, IMF or the World Bank). Research centres, universities and economics departments of private institutions (banks, consulting firms, large companies, associations or the media) are also potential employers. The M.Sc. in Economics widens the knowledge gained in your bachelor studies, giving you advanced expertise in your chosen field. For many managing positions in different industries and for certain professions in research and teaching, a master is indispensable. As the University of Cologne is state-funded, there are no tuition fees, just a biannual "semester contribution" of slightly more than 250 euros. This includes the “semester ticket” for public transport throughout Cologne’s home state of North Rhine-Westphalia. So, with us, you can invest in an excellent education – and your future – without paying a fortune.

APPLY EXPERTISE

As a student of economics in Cologne you benefit from a broad range of expertise in applied and theoretical economics, with an internationally renowned faculty. In our teaching, we bring across both the theoretical foundations of economics, as well as the practical application of economic concepts to a range of pertinent policy problems. Our courses and seminars bring you to the frontier of current research and policy discussions and allow you to specialize on various areas of expertise.

"To solve economic problems and create better institutions, you need to know how people react to incentives."

Axel Ockenfels, Department of Economics
(Research focus: Economic Design, Experimental and Behavioral Economics, Industrial Economics)

INTERNATIONAL

Many of our courses are delivered in English. Our extensive number of cooperation agreements in the area of Business & Economics provides you with attractive options to spend a term abroad around the world. More information and options at international:

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