

FAQs for the German-taught master's programs

Management

Do the lectures that include 70 ECTS credits from economics/business administration (VW/BW) have to include VW/BW in the title?	No, it must only be clear from the title that the subject matter is BW and/or VW.
Are there any entrance exams?	No, but be aware, that the first course of the master's program "Introduction to Management" is a sequential course. This course must be completed successfully in order to be able to attend any further courses.
How many applications do you have each year and how many of them start with the degree program?	Around 1,400 students apply every year and around 400 start the degree program. There are approximately 120 places after the sequential course "Introduction to Management".

Taxation and Accounting

Is it possible to earn the 12 ECTS credits in tax law, which are a prerequisite, as supplementary examinations after the start of the program?	Yes, it is possible to complete the two bachelor's courses "Basic Tax Law" and "Advanced Tax Law" later on. These courses must be completed by the time you finalize your master's degree.
How much weight is placed on Austrian tax law? Does the master's degree also make sense if you don't want to work in Austria?	The focus is on Austrian and international tax law. It is therefore also possible to work abroad.
How big are the differences between the Taxation and Accounting (StRel) and Finance and Accounting (FiRe) master's programs?	The StRel program focuses on tax law and accounting, which prepares students for a career in tax consultancy or auditing. The FiRe program is more about contents from the field of finance and prepares students for a career in this area.

Finance and Accounting

How strict is the "at least 32 ECTS credits in finance/accounting" requirement?	This is handled very liberally. It includes accounting, finance, financial control, taxes and, in the area of economics (VW), econometrics.
How does the orientation phase work and how should I prepare for it?	It consists of two courses (Orientierungskurs Finanzwirtschaft und internes Rechnungswesen), which are held in block format at the beginning of the semester. You must achieve a minimum of 50% in both courses in order to continue your studies.
Can you work alongside the master's degree?	Most students work part-time. A maximum of 20 hours per week is recommended.

Business Education

When do the lectures take place?	In the full-time version of the program during the entire week, in the part-time version in five blocks held on Thursdays through Saturdays.
Are the compulsory electives intended to allow students to set an individual focus?	That's exactly what they're meant for.
Is it possible to study full-time and still have a full-time job?	We recommend a maximum employment level of 20 hours per week in order to make good progress in the degree program.

Socioeconomics

What happens if you don't make it through the introductory phase?	You can attend the courses "Applied Socioeconomic Theories and Methods I and II." In the following semester, you can retake the examination for the introductory phase.
How does this program differ from the SEEP master's program?	Both master's programs focus on socioeconomics. The Socioeconomics program focuses on questions of the economy and economic activities from a social sciences perspective. SEEP takes an economics perspective.
Do the required 16 ECTS credits in sociology/empirical social research also include statistics/political science?	Statistics counts towards this requirement, and political science credits are assessed by the Admissions Office (depending on the content of the course).

Business Law

Can you take this master's degree with a bachelor's degree in business administration?	No, that's not possible.
If you are already a lawyer, can you have parts of the law subjects recognized for credit transfer?	Whether or not exams from other universities are eligible for credit transfer is assessed by the Study Regulations & Credit Transfer Office.