

Welcome!

Master's Programme in Economics

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The “Fachschaft”

Website:<https://www.wiwi.uni-konstanz.de/fachschaft/kontakt/>

Unfortunately the website is only in German, but you can always contact them via e-mail (fachschaft.wiwi@uni-konstanz.de) or follow them on facebook or Instagramm.

Different examination regulations

The examination regulations regulate our Master's programme. They indicate the structure and the rules of the programme.

Please read through them once at the beginning of your studies.

You can find them [here on the website](#).

With the start of the summer semester 2024 there will be new examination regulations in place. You can choose until 15.12.23 according to which examination regulations you want to study.

Master of Science in Economics:

Degree awarded:

**Master of Science (M.Sc.)
in Economics**

Students wishing to specialize (Tracks A and B) have the following subject areas to chose from:

- Major in Econometrics and Applied Economics
- Major in International Financial Economics
- Major in Macroeconomics and International Economics
- Major in Microeconomics and Decision Making
- Major in Public Economics

Curriculum MSc Economics

Semester	Track A (Fast Track to a PhD)	Track B (Specialisation) or Track C (Generalisation)
1st Semester (30 ECTS)	<p>All 3 compulsory modules from the subject area Quantitative Economics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Advanced Econometrics (10 ECTS) ➤ Advanced Macroeconomics I (10 ECTS) ➤ Advanced Microeconomics I (10 ECTS). 	<p>All 3 compulsory modules from the subject area Quantitative Economics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Advanced Econometrics (10 ECTS) ➤ Advanced Macroeconomics I (10 ECTS) ➤ Advanced Microeconomics I (10 ECTS). <p>On application, 1 compulsory module can be deferred to the 3rd semester.</p>
2nd Semester (30 ECTS)	<p>Modules to the value of 30 ECTS, comprising courses totalling 24 ECTS and 1 seminar à 6 ECTS, from the following optional subject areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Econometrics and Applied Economics ➤ International Financial Economics ➤ Macroeconomics and International Economics ➤ Microeconomics and Decision Making ➤ Public Economics. <p>Students wishing to major in a subject area must take the 2 compulsory modules, 2 optional modules and 1 seminar from the selected subject area.</p>	<p>Each semester, modules to the value of 30 ECTS, comprising courses totalling 24 ECTS and 1 seminar à 6 ECTS from the following optional subject areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Econometrics and Applied Economics ➤ International Financial Economics ➤ Macroeconomics and International Economics ➤ Microeconomics and Decision Making ➤ Public Economics <p>Track B students, majoring in a subject area, must take the 2 compulsory modules, 2 optional modules and 1 seminar from the selected subject area.</p>
3rd Semester (30 ECTS)	<p>3 modules (courses) from the Doctoral Programmes à 10 ECTS, including 2 of the following modules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Topics in Advanced Econometrics ➤ Topics in Advanced Microeconomics ➤ Topics in Advanced Macroeconomics. 	
4th Semester (30 ECTS)	<p>1 module (course) from the Doctoral Programmes à 10 ECTS. Master's thesis (20 ECTS, 3 months). If majoring in a subject area, the Master's thesis must be from the selected subject area.</p>	<p>Master's thesis (30 ECTS, 4 months). For Track B students, majoring in a subject area, the Master's thesis must be from the selected subject area.</p>

Compulsory Modules for Majoring

Econometrics & Applied Economics:

Applied Time Series Analysis (summer semester)

To be decided (summer semester)

International Financial Economics:

Risk Management (summer semester)

Portfolio Management (winter semester)

Macroeconomics & International Economics:

Advanced Macroeconomics II (summer semester)

International Monetary Economics (summer semester)

Compulsory Modules for Majoring

Microeconomics & Decision Making:

Advanced Microeconomics II (summer semester)

Behavioural Economics (winter semester)

Public Economics:

Public Economics (summer semester)

Pick one additional out of the following:

Labour Markets and Inequality (offered in winter semester)

Economics of Education (currently offered in winter semester)

Political Economy (if offered)

First Semester

Generally, we give you a lot of freedom to choose which courses you are taking when. However, it is mandatory to write the exam of at least two of the three courses in the area “Quantitative Economics” in the first semester.

Advanced Microeconomics



Prof. Dr. Susanne Goldlücke,
Chair of Microeconomic Theory

Advanced Macroeconomics



Prof. Dr. Volker Hahn,
Chair of International and
Monetary Economics

Advanced Econometrics



Jun. Prof. Dr. Rainer Alexander Schüssler

Course schedule Quantitative Economics

QE1: Advanced Econometrics, 3 hours (10 ECTS)

R. Schüssler

Tuesday, 08:15 – 09:45, G530 & Wednesday, 08:15 – 09:45, G530

Tutorial: Advanced Econometrics, 2 hours (may be subject to change)

Group A: Tuesday, 13:30 – 15:00, starting 31.10.23, F428

Group B: Wednesday, 13:30 – 15:00, starting 25.10.23, F428

QE2: Advanced Macroeconomics I, 3 hours (10 ECTS)

V. Hahn

Monday, 10:00 - 11:30, G309 & Wednesday, 10:00 – 11:30, G227a

Tutorial: Advanced Macroeconomics I, 2 hours

Group A: Tuesday, 15.15-16.45, starting 31.10.23, F427

Group B: Starting on Thursday, 02.11.23 at 8.15-9.45 in D404, afterwards every Wednesday, 15.15-16:45, F427

QE3: Advanced Microeconomics I, 3 hours (10 ECTS)

S. Goldlücke

Tuesday, 10:00 -11:30, G530 & Thursday, 10:00 – 11:30, G309

Tutorial: Advanced Microeconomics I, 2 hours

Group A: Tuesday, 17:00 – 18:30, starting 31.10.23, F427

Group B: Thursday, 15:15 – 16:45, starting 02.11.23, E405

Examinations February 2024

- The three exams are compulsory for all Master's students.
- All Master's students will be registered for the compulsory exams **automatically**.
- The form "Application for Admission to Exams" must be submitted by all Master's students to Mrs Böhler (pruefungsverwaltung.wiwi@uni-konstanz.de) by **7th December 2023**
- If you wish to defer taking one of the compulsory first year modules and its exams until the third semester, you need to fill out a form "Application to defer a first year compulsory module" and submit it to Mrs Böhler (pruefungsverwaltung.wiwi@uni-Konstanz.de) by **10th January 2024**.
- To take study track A (Fast Track to a PhD) you need to pass all three compulsory courses on the first semester and obtain an average of 2.0 or better.
- You can find the forms here under links and downloads: <https://www.wiwi.uni-konstanz.de/en/study/master-of-science/economics/exams/>

Examinations February 2024

- Registration period: 16.01.–23.01.2024
- Registered candidates who do not attend an exam without a recognized reason (i.e. illness) receive the grade 5.0 (fail).
- If a candidate cannot attend an examination due to illness, he or she must inform Mrs Böhler before the exam begins and forward a medical certificate form immediately (i.e. on the day of the exam) to Mrs Böhler (room F 258, tel. 07531-88 2314, e-mail: pruefungsverwaltung.wiwi@uni-konstanz.de)
- You will find a “Notice about Exam Withdrawal due to Illness” here: <https://www.wiwi.uni-konstanz.de/en/study/master-of-science/economics/exams/>
- Master’s students who do not pass a February exam will be automatically registered for the resit exam in March/April. A second resit exam (upon request) is only possible for two exams.

Academic adjustments for coursework and performance assessments

Students with disabilities and chronic illnesses can be at a serious disadvantage during their studies. To offset some of the additional difficulties and impediments students face, we provide academic adjustments.

These academic adjustments need to be officially requested and granted by the examination board.

Please find more information on that topic [here](#).

If you would like to (or are considering) to apply for academic adjustments, please contact Hanna Schwarz and we can figure out the next steps.

Grading System

1.0 1.3	very good	an excellent performance
1.7 2.0 2.3	good	a performance significantly above average
2.7 3.0 3.3	satisfactory	a performance which corresponds to average requirements
3.7 4.0	sufficient	a performance which, despite shortcomings, still meets the requirements
5.0	insufficient	a performance with considerable shortcomings, which no longer meets the requirements

New exam regulations (PO 2024)

What are the main changes for you in the PO 2024 compared to the PO 2011?

- **No more Track A**
- **No more automatic exam registration for the compulsory courses in the area Quantitative Economics**
- **Instead new regulation: until the end of the second semester you need to have gained at least 30 ECTS and you have to have passed at least two of the compulsory courses in the area Quantitative Economics**
- **No more automatic exam registration for exams of elective courses (if you failed an exam or could no attend due to illness), instead you can choose an alternative elective course**
- **No more requests for a third try in an exam in the elective area – instead you can/have to choose another elective course**

- **Double Degree students from Tor Vergata will have to transfer to the new exam regulations**

When do I have to decide?

Examination regulations

You will have to decide according to which examination regulations you wish to study until 15.12.23.

You wish to study according to the new regulations (PO2024) -> you do not have to do anything, the transfer will be automatic

You wish to remain in the old examination regulations (PO2011) -> you have to hand in the form „Request to remain in the examination regulations 2011“ until 15.12.23 to Mrs Böhler (pruefungsverwaltung.wiwi@uni-konstanz.de). You will find the form from 2.11.23 onwards here on our website.

When do I have to decide?

Study Track

Study Track A -> hand in request to remain in old exam regulations until 15.12.23, out in a request to be placed in study track A after you received the grades of all three first semester courses by writing an E-Mail to Hanna Schwarz (coordination.econ@uni-konstanz.de)

Study Track B or C -> official request to be placed in the track with the registration for the Master thesis; you are choosing your track by choosing your courses to fulfill the requirements



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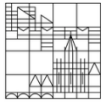


E-Mail-Account: Sogo

- Access: **sogo.uni-konstanz.de** or email-client
- Login: Username: first name.surname (e.g. Matt.Smith)
- You will be added to the MSc Economics **mailinglist** automatically with this e-mail address
- If you submit official documents to us via e-mail, please always use this mail address
- IMPORTANT:
 - Please check your university e-mail account regularly
 - You have to change your password once in the beginning. Otherwise your account will be blocked.
 - If you wish to, you can set up automatic forwarding to your personal e-mail account

Lernplattform: ILIAS

- Materials for lectures: articles, videos etc.
- Access: ilias.uni-konstanz.de
- Login: same as for sogo e-mail account
- Most, but not all professors, are using ILIAS to provide lecture materials
- To join a course in ILIAS you have to register for the respective course via ZEuS








































ZEuS

- Functions:
 - Course Catalogue
 - Registration for courses
 - Registration for exams
 - Transcript of Records
 - Getting a student certificate
- Access: zeus.uni-konstanz.de
- Login: ID and password of your University of Konstanz e-mail address
- [Information on ZEuS for new students](#): texts and videos

Course Schedule

The course schedule of the MSc Economics can be found in [ZEuS](#)
(the central course catalogue)

  Introductory Events of the Department of Economics	 
  Master's degree Economics major PO 2011	 
  Study Track A	 
  Study Track B	 
  Quantitative Economics	 
  Advanced Econometrics	 
  Advanced Macroeconomics I	 
  Advanced Microeconomics I	 
  Economic Data Analysis	
  Elective Area	 

Follow the path Master programmes -> Economics -> Master's degree Economics major PO2011-> Study Track A, B or C -> Quantitative Economics

Course registration

- **Important: Registration necessary for all courses**
- At the Department of Economics you are allowed to take part in onsite and/or online courses only if you have registered for them via ZEuS. Please, note the following:
- The registration for the courses is absolutely necessary as you will then be automatically added to the respective course folders on ILIAS. The lecturers usually provide their teaching material there.
- As soon as you have been automatically added to the relevant ILIAS courses, you will receive a system-generated e-mail from ILIAS confirming that you have joined the course. However, it is possible that the link contained in the mail leads you to a course that is still "offline" and therefore not yet visible to you. In this case, you can rest assured: the lecturers will all put the courses "online" in the next few weeks.

Course registration

- **Important: Registration necessary for all courses**
- Please note that you cannot join an ILIAS course on your own. You first need to register via ZEuS. As soon as you have completed the course registration on ZEuS, you will automatically be added to the corresponding ILIAS course!
- This [link](#) provides instructions on how to register for the courses via ZEuS. In addition, the campus management offers you an [online introduction to the general functions of ZEuS: Introduction to ZEuS for beginners](#), Tue., 24.10.2023 - When. 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm - Where: R 513 or online via (see ZEuS No KIM-10080)
- Please also have a look at the [ZEuS Wiki page for new students](#), as it is quite useful.
- Introduction to KIM and the library (in German): 12.10., 17.10, 18.10 and 19.10. always at noon in M269

Important resources

Helpful Websites and Documents:

- [Examination regulations](#)
- [Website of the Department](#)
- [Specifically MSc Economics](#)


























Important Dates of the semester:

- [Website Examination Office](#)
- Course registration period: starting on 19 October 23 at 9am
- Lectures start: 23rd October 2023
- Exam registration period (for February exams): 16.01.–23.01.2024
- Deadline deferral of a compulsory module of the first semester: 10.01.2024

Additional offers

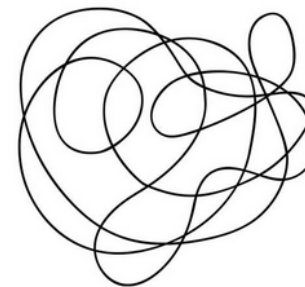
You can take language courses or courses from the Centre of Transferable Skills for free.

Just look in the course catalogue under interdisciplinary course offers.

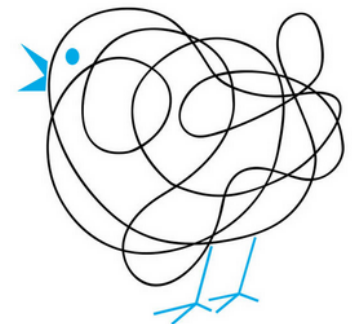
	 Courses taught in English	
	 Interdisciplinary course offers	
	 Courses of the Faculties	 
	 Courses of other Institutions	 
	 Centre for Transferable Skills (SQ)	 
	 Language Institute (SLI)	 
	 Additional Qualifications (ADILT and more)	

Links to some services of the university:

- Career Service for work experience positions and job opportunities
- Central Student Advisory Service: Advice on how to study or if you have motivational problems or exam anxiety
- #not alone: contacts for several support services, e.g. if you struggle with loneliness, depression, financial problems ...



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Thank you !

We wish you a good start !

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