



ERASMUS Fact Sheet 2022/23

Double Degree in Economics, Essex - Konstanz

A. General Information

Konstanz	
Webpage university:	https://www.uni-konstanz.de/en/university/about-the-university-of-konstanz/
Webpage MSc Economics:	https://www.wiwi.uni-konstanz.de/en/study/master-of-science/economics/
Webpage Department:	https://www.wiwi.uni-konstanz.de/en/
Webpage Double Degree:	soon to be here: https://www.wiwi.uni-konstanz.de/en/international/study/double-degree-options/
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Essex	
PGT Director Economics	Dr. Ben Etheridge, bsethe@essex.ac.uk

Postgraduate Taught and First year Undergraduate Administrator	Nick Bradley, n.bradley@essex.ac.uk
How to apply for the double degree with Essex?	Students will indicate interest in the double degree with Essex when they apply to the MSc in Konstanz. If they are admitted to the KN programme, they will – if selected – be informed of their admissions to the double degree with Essex.
How to apply for second year in KN?	Please contact the director in Essex: Ben Etheridge bsethe@essex.ac.uk
Accommodation @ KN	NEW starting with 18/19: Accommodation services will try to but <u>cannot guarantee</u> on-campus accommodation if students apply before the deadline. If there is no space, please use the resources on the international office page (https://www.uni-konstanz.de/en/international-office/study-in-konstanz/preparation/accommodation/) or contact the department for information about leaving double degree students. We will provide further reasonable assistance, within our discretion and our capabilities. See details in the Fresher's Handbook
Accommodation @ Essex	Either on or off campus
Resources for Incoming Students to KN	In the Fresher's Handbook
Resources for Incoming Students to Essex	Please contact Nick Bradley - n.bradley@essex.ac.uk
Tuition Fees at KN and TV	The students will not pay any tuition fees at the University of Konstanz; they will pay the administrative fees only. At Essex students pay tuition fees, but receive a 30% reduction. Please check on the Essex Tuition Fee website what the current fees are and simply deduct 30%. This reduction cannot be combined with other grants or scholarships of the University of Essex. If you then apply for Auslandsbafög -- see details here -- a chunk of the tuition fees are taken care of. Auslandsbafög pays as much as 4,600€ in tuition fees.
Living costs and Scholarships	Konstanz: Living Costs Scholarships: German students should both apply for Auslandsbafög (has no connection with Inlandsbafög). All students should check in the DAAD Scholarship Database for any individual scholarships they can apply for. The Konstanz International Office webpage has a number of resources , too. Essex: Students can find detailed information on the Essex site .
Jobs in Konstanz	Many students earn money on the side – it has the added benefit that you immerse yourself in the local culture. Citizens from the EU as well as Malta, Cyprus and the EEA countries (Island, Norway, Liechtenstein) as well as Switzerland can work during the entire year. All other

international students (including Croatian students) are permitted to work 120 days or 240 half-days (4-hours / day) per year, if the visa or residence permit do not explicitly forbid it.
 The Service Centre of the Student Service 'Seezeit Bodensee' provides a job board for students in the entrance area of the university (next to the Campus Café) or on this [website](#).

B. Academic Information

First year Essex, second year Konstanz

YEAR 1: ESSEX

MSc Economics			
Modules	Essex credits	ECTS	Total
EC903-7-AU : Microeconomics	20	10	120 Essex credits 60 ECTS
EC904-7-AU : Macroeconomics	20	10	
EC501-7-AU: Econometric Methods	20	10	
Option from department list (not Mathematical Methods)	20	10	
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MSc Economics and Econometrics			
Modules	Essex credits	ECTS	Total
EC903-7-AU : Microeconomics	20	10	120 Essex credits 60 ECTS
EC904-7-AU : Macroeconomics	20	10	
EC966-7-AU : Estimation and Inference in Econometrics	20	10	
Option from departmental list	20	10	
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MRes Economics			
Modules	Essex credits	ECTS	Total
EC403-7-AU : MRes Microeconomics	20	10	120 Essex credits 60 ECTS
EC404-7-AU : MRes Macroeconomics (COMP)	20	10	
EC466-7AU : MRes Econometrics	20	10	

EC992-7-SP : Advanced Microeconomics	20	10	
EC994-7-SP Advanced Macroeconomics (COMP)	20	10	
EC964-7-SP : Microeconometrics OR EC965-7-SP Time Series Econometrics	20	10	

YEAR 2: KONSTANZ

MSc Economics			
Modules	Essex credits	ECTS	Total
4 modules and 1 seminar excluding: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advanced Macroeconomics I • Advanced Microeconomics I • Advanced Econometrics <p>PhD-level modules may be available to students subject to qualification. Students may not take courses in their second year with identical or similar contents as first-year courses.</p>	60	30	30 ECTS 60 Essex credits

Master thesis (average 16,000 words)	60	30	30 ECTS 60 Essex credits
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Masters award	Total for taught modules	Total for thesis	Total
Essex	60 ECTS	30 ECTS	90 ECTS
Konstanz	30 ECTS (+60 ECTS from Essex)	30 ECTS	120 ECTS

NOTES:

1. Konstanz will transfer the credits from Essex into the Konstanz Award as follows:

- Macroeconomics as Adv. Macroeconomics I
- Microeconomics as Adv. Microeconomics I

- Econometric Methods OR Estimation and Inference in Econometrics in the MSc Economics and Econometrics and the MRes Economics as Adv. Econometrics
2. Each degree programme is comprised of a number of modules. A module is a distinct unit of study that is taught and assessed. A number of modules are combined to make a degree programme and upon successfully passing the requirements, leads to an academic award.
 3. The modules available and/or required to be completed for each degree programme may be subject to change, as determined by the University of Essex and/or the University of Konstanz.
 4. Only successfully passed courses from the partner university will be recognized.

Option B (first year Konstanz, second year Essex) -> not offered anymore from 2021/22 onwards

Seminar in KN	Students are required to take one seminar in Konstanz. You are advised to take it in your first semester in KN. The seminars for the first semester will be announced in June (often 3 rd week, and one week ONLY). You will have to choose and register for a seminar. If you want to finish your Masters here with an area of specialisation, then your seminar has to be in that area. Students must then go to the individual professor's webpages and follow the application instructions. You will be notified of the registration dates and sent the application form in an email. (Occasionally students may opt to take it in their second semester in KN - please seek advice in this regard. They will always be announced in November.)
Master Thesis	<p>Masters Thesis (Dissertation) Double Degree Essex-Konstanz</p> <p>First year Essex, second year Konstanz</p> <p>Students will not write a Masters thesis in their final term of year one. Instead the months of June through September are open for a possible non-credit bearing internship, for example. Upon completion of the second year at Konstanz, students will write a Masters thesis. The thesis will be supervised and graded by the Konstanz supervisor.</p> <p>Timeline</p> <p>February: the students submit the dissertation proposal with their final dissertation title to Konstanz; the form is signed by the KN supervisor.</p> <p>End of March: app 3-4 days before the writing period starts (which always varies slightly to avoid weekends as a submission day), the student received a snail-mail letter indicating the starting and ending date of the writing period.</p>

	<p>April – July: writing period is 4 months. The length should be around 16,000 words.</p> <p>End of July: student submits hardcopy and pdf of their dissertation to Konstanz Economics Examination Office</p> <p>Mid August: the KN supervisor sends the mark and feedback to the office in Konstanz by the end of August. The final grade is determined. Students are issued their Konstanz degree certificate.</p> <p>September: KN sends the final German grade of the thesis to the Masters administrator on the Essex side in an email.</p> <p>November: Essex final exam board meets -> mark is finalized. Essex recognizes the Konstanz Masters thesis in Essex. Students are issued their Essex degree certificate.</p> <p>In case of an extension the timeline changes slightly:</p> <p>A one-month extension delays the submission to the end of August. All other deadlines are pushed back one month. There is no problem with the Essex exam board meeting in November.</p> <p>Any deviation from the above set-up has to be communicated to all involved at the earliest possible time, and any changes need to be approved by all involved.</p>												
<p>Content Information KN</p>	<p>Find the MSc Economics information like</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Module Handbook - The curriculum - An overview of the specialisation areas <p>here</p>												
<p>Content Information Essex</p>	<p>Course description, Timetable etc: MSc Economics, MSc Economics and Econometrics or MRes Economics</p>												
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65-71	2.3
72-78	2.0
79-85	1.7
86-92	1.3
93-100	1.0

The grades are converted so that the same grades correspond to comparable achievements.
Valid starting with 16/17