Why Economics in Mannheim?

Excellent
The Department of Economics is considered to be one of the best of its kind in Europe. Our high quality is accredited and confirmed by top positions in national and international rankings.

Cutting-edge
Our faculty members are engaged in a wide variety of research projects at the frontiers of their fields, covering topics from micro- and macroeconomics, econometrics, and IO to finance, game theory, policy analysis, economic history, and international trade. Research findings are regularly published in leading national and international journals.

International
Pursuing a master’s degree in economics at Mannheim means joining an international student body. The past four graduation classes comprised students from more than 40 countries. The University of Mannheim maintains close relationships with over 450 universities in about 60 countries all around the world.

Applicable
The master’s program comprises a broad range of modules that are relevant in a practical context. It provides students with the analytical skills and knowledge needed to be successful as an economist in a professional or academic environment.

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Our online application opens on March 15 and closes on April 30. For more information check our website for prospective students.
Program

Maximize your potential by pursuing a master’s degree in Economics at the University of Mannheim!

The program always starts in the fall semester (September) and typically lasts for two academic years (four semesters). In the first semester, students attend introductory courses that impart knowledge of core concepts used in economics and neighboring fields.

After the introductory phase students can choose from three study tracks:

The Economics track gives students the opportunity to build their unique profile from a wide range of elective courses, including courses from other departments such as Business Mathematics, Political Science or Sociology. Students can also attend courses from the Department of Economics at Heidelberg University.

In the Competition and Regulation Economics track electives are complemented by tailor-made courses in the fields of competition policy and regulation economics. Furthermore, there are a number of opportunities for internships, field trips, and other forms of collaboration with our partners.

The study track Economic Research allows a small number of outstanding students to enter into a fast-track program for acquiring a doctorate.

Mannheim

Mannheim and the neighboring cities of Ludwigshafen and Heidelberg form the economic and cultural center of the Rhine-Neckar metropolitan region. You can reach Stuttgart and Frankfurt am Main in around 30 minutes with high-speed ICE trains.

Mannheim has a vibrant, young atmosphere with a variety of cultural facilities, such as the National Theater, the Kunsthalle art gallery, and the Alte Feuerwache cultural center. Movie theaters, bars, and clubs complete student life in the city. Next to its industrial charm, Mannheim has many green areas along its two rivers and the palatinate area, a well-known wine region ideal for hiking, is at arm’s length. Art enthusiasts, partygoers, and nature lovers will all find something to do.

Program Structure

The Economics Track

- 1st (Fall)
  - Advanced Microeconomics
  - Advanced Macroeconomics
  - Advanced Econometrics
- 2nd (Spring)
  - Specialized master courses including 2-4 seminars
- 3rd (Fall)
  - Advanced Microeconomics
  - Advanced Macroeconomics
  - Advanced Econometrics
- 4th (Spring)
  - Master’s thesis (4 months), possibly including a thesis colloquium

The Competition and Regulation Economics Track

- 1st (Fall)
  - Industrial Organization, Markets and Strategies
  - Empirical Industrial Organization
- 2nd (Spring)
  - Specialized courses including 1-3 seminars
- 3rd (Fall)
  - Interdisciplinary Seminar
- 4th (Spring)
  - Master’s thesis (4 months), possibly including a thesis colloquium

Study Abroad Opportunities

There are many opportunities for students to study abroad and gain experiences in different environments.

Besides a large number of excellent partnerships in Europe and overseas, students of the Economics track have the possibility to participate in the ENTER Research Master, a double degree exchange program with Europe’s leading economics departments. The best time to study abroad is the third semester of the master’s program.

Students in the Economic Research track have the opportunity to go abroad during their subsequent doctoral studies at the Center for Doctoral Studies in Economics (CDSE).

Career Opportunities

A master’s degree in Economics opens excellent career opportunities in international organizations and academia, as well as in leading positions in the public and private sector for every student.

Graduates from the University of Mannheim are also well prepared to continue their studies and pursue a PhD in any doctoral program in and outside Europe.

Students who are seeking a position on the German job market after graduation, are supported by our „Step by Step“ program. Students benefit from tailor-made support and advice for international students throughout their studies.