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# 1. Studying Economics

**Dear students,**

Welcome to the exciting world of economics and the Master of Science in Economics (MSc) program! You have selected a challenging program that will provide you with thorough and rigorous training in modern economic theories and methods, building upon the solid foundation you laid during your Bachelor's degree.

Economics is a captivating field that explores the intricate workings of our global economy, touching upon everything from individual decision-making to government policies and international trade. Over the course of your studies, you will gain a deep understanding of how economic forces shape our world, and you'll develop the analytical tools needed to unravel its complexities. Get ready to think critically, ask probing questions, and explore the dynamic landscape of economics.

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This study guide provides you with essential insights into the program, including details about the curriculum and assessments. Should you find yourself with questions or in need of further guidance, please do not hesitate to reach out to our staff at the Academic Office Economics, your program director, and the professors and research associates teaching in our program.

Let's ensure it becomes a fruitful journey together!

Prof. Dr. Andreas Lange

*Program Director of MSc Economics*



## 2. Master's Degree Program in Economics

### 2.1 Program profile

Today's economists face globally competitive and increasingly complex environments in a constantly changing world. The Master of Science in Economics (MSc) at University of Hamburg responds to these developments by providing thorough and rigorous training in modern economic theories and techniques. It thus effectively prepares its graduates for real-world economic situations and challenges.

The MSc Economics attaches great importance to quantitative skills and emphasises state-of-the-art methods of empirical research. It encourages applied work and relates it to policy. Sound training in best practice methods of mainstream economics is complemented by opportunities for in-depth studies in areas of personal interest in order to initiate the gradual transition to independent research. Overall, the programme is designed for students who wish to pursue a career in the public sector, in private business, in consultancy or in research on both, national and international level.

Students with a strong academic record and research orientation may continue their education by writing a doctoral dissertation under the supervision of a faculty member. The medium of instruction of the MSc Economics is English.

#### At a glance

##### Program title:

Master's Degree Program in Economics,  
Master of Science (MSc)

##### Specifics:

Two-year and one-year version

##### Total credits:

120 CP (two-year) | 60 CP (one-year)

##### Regular period of study:

4 semesters (two-year) / 2 semesters (one year)

##### Program structure:

Full-time study (part-time study possible)

##### Admission:

Winter semester only

##### Application period:

15 February - 31 March

##### Number of places

35

##### Program website:

[www.wiso.uni-hamburg.de/msc-econ](http://www.wiso.uni-hamburg.de/msc-econ)

### 2.2 Program content and structure

The Master of Science in Economics is offered in two versions of study: a regular

#### two-year version (120 ECTS credit points)

and an abbreviated

#### one-year version (60 ECTS credit points).

The program's regular two-year version has been designed for all students with a first degree according to the entry requirements. The abbreviated one-year version is open to students who have achieved above-average performance in their first degree and have acquired the knowledge and skills of all accompanying lectures of the compulsory modules: Methods of Microeconomic Analysis, Methods of Macroeconomic Analysis and Methods of Econometric Analysis. It is at the discretion of the program director to decide on students' suitability for the one-year version.

#### Curriculum of the two-year version

In the regular two-year version of the MSc Economics the curriculum consists of three compulsory modules which are completed in the first semester. During the second and third semester, students may choose ten elective modules from a broad and altering range of courses. The fourth semester is devoted to the master's thesis.

#### Curriculum of the one-year version

In the abbreviated one-year version of the MSc Economics students also study three compulsory modules during the first semester and, in addition, choose two elective modules. For the second semester students study another two elective modules and write their master's thesis.

The two-year version of the Master's Degree Program in Economics is structured as follows:

1st Semester	Advanced Microeconomics				Advanced Macroeconomics				Advanced Econometrics			
	Individual Decisions, Games and Markets		Methods of Microeconomic Analysis		Elements of Dynamic Macroeconomic Theory		Methods of Macroeconomic Analysis		Estimation and Inference in Econometrics		Methods of Econometric Analysis	
	3 SWS	6 CP	2 SWS	4 CP	3 SWS	6 CP	2 SWS	4 CP	3 SWS	6 CP	2 SWS	4 CP
2nd Semester	Elective module		Elective module		Elective module		Elective module		Elective module		Elective module	
	3 SWS	6 CP	3 SWS	6 CP	3 SWS	6 CP	3 SWS	6 CP	3 SWS	6 CP	3 SWS	6 CP
3rd Semester	Elective module		Elective module		Elective module		Elective module		Elective module		Elective module	
	3 SWS	6 CP	3 SWS	6 CP	3 SWS	6 CP	3 SWS	6 CP	3 SWS	6 CP	3 SWS	6 CP
4th Semester	Master's Thesis 30 CP											

Figure 1: Study plan of the regular two-year version

The one-year version of the Master's Degree Program in Economics is structured as follows:

1st Semester	Individual Decisions, Games and Markets		Elements of Dynamic Macroeconomic Theory		Estimation and Inference in Econometrics		Elective module		Elective module	
	3 SWS	6 CP	3 SWS	6 CP	3 SWS	6 CP	3 SWS	6 CP	3 SWS	6 CP
2nd Semester	Elective module		Elective module		Master's Thesis					
	3 SWS	6 CP	3 SWS	6 CP						

Figure 2: Study plan of the abbreviated one-year version

## 2.3 Compulsory Modules

Both versions of the MSc Economics require the completion of three compulsory modules in the first semester. For students of the two-year version, each of these modules includes two interactive lectures: The main lectures on microeconomics, macroeconomics or econometrics and accompanying lectures which review and extend methodological knowledge from the undergraduate education. Students will only be admitted to the one-year program version, if their undergraduate education has made them sufficiently familiar with methodology. They are, hence, not required to take the methodology lectures and will not receive credits points for them. However, students of the one-year program version are, of course, welcome to attend these courses if they feel this may be beneficial.

The compulsory modules are structured as follows:

Main Lectures	
Semester	1.
Contact hours per week	3/3
Credit Points	6/6
Compulsory for two-year version	Yes
Compulsory for one-year version	Yes

Accompanying Lectures	
Semester	1.
Contact hours per week	2/0
Credit Points	4/0
Compulsory for two-year version	Yes
Compulsory for one-year version	No

### Compulsory Module Advanced Microeconomics

This module enables students to analyse decision making under certainty and risk, to study its impact on the general equilibrium outcome in competitive markets and to evaluate the efficiency of market allocations. In addition, by the end of the module, students have learnt to model and analyse strategic market situations using game theoretic methods. They have gained an overview of the current state of research on selected topics in microeconomics and they are prepared to conduct their own research in this field. The module consists of the following two lectures:

#### Main Lecture

##### *Individual Decisions, Games and Markets:*

- Decision theory: preferences, choice rules and utility functions
- Theory of the household and the firm
- Decisions under risk
- General equilibrium and welfare
- Static and dynamic games
- Games with incomplete information

#### Accompanying Lecture

##### *Methods of Microeconomic Analysis:*

- Basics of microeconomic methods and methodology

### Compulsory Module Advanced Macroeconomics

This module enables students to analyse intertemporal macroeconomic problems for both closed and open economies. Long run vs. short run analysis is properly distinguished. The sensitivity of steady-state results to changes in parameters (comparative statistics) and time paths of adjustment to new steady states (macrodynamics) will be studied. There is a strong focus on the essentials of modern macroeconomics and on the necessary skills to analyse real-world behaviour. By the end of the module, students have gained a balanced overview of the current state of the discipline. The module consists of the following two lectures:

#### Main Lecture

##### *Elements of Dynamic Macroeconomic Theory:*

- Introduction to real dynamic macroeconomic models on an advanced methodological level
- Selected problems of dynamic macroeconomic theory
- Economic growth
- Fiscal politics and business cycle analysis in models of open economies
- Exchange rate dynamics

#### Accompanying Lecture

##### *Methods of Macroeconomic Analysis:*

- Basics of macroeconomic methods and methodology, mathematical and computational tools.

### Compulsory Module Advanced Econometrics

In this module students become familiar with new and up-to-date methods of time series analysis or advanced microeconometrics. By the end of the module, students have learnt to independently conduct empirical research and to tackle problems of applied economics with up-to-date statistical and econometric methods. The module consists of one the following two lectures:

#### Main Lecture

##### *Estimation and Inference in Econometrics:*

- Stationary and non-stationary time series
- Modelling of stationary time series
- Vector autoregressive models
- Cointegration and error correction models
- Multiple regression models

#### Accompanying Lecture

##### *Methods of Econometric Analysis:*

- Basics of econometric methods and methodology, computer exercises.

## 2.4 Elective modules

Elective modules in theoretical and applied economics give students the opportunity to extend, focus and apply their knowledge based on personal interests. Depending on the version of the program, students have to choose ten (two-year version) or four (one-year version) elective modules during the course of their studies. Topics of elective courses change from semester to semester. Recently, courses on the following topics have been offered:

- Advanced Game Theory
- New Keynesian Economics
- Dynamic Optimization
- Game Theory
- Public Choice
- Labour Economics
- History of Economic Thought
- Theory of the Firm
- Behavioural Economics
- International Political Economy
- Rationality in Experimental Economics
- Environmental and Resource Economics
- Climate Dynamics and Climate Economics
- Empirical Labour Economics and the German Socio-Economic Panel (SOEP)
- Economic of Growth and Development
- Health Economics

The [course catalogue](#) gives you an overview over the elective modules (see Overview > Faculty of Business, Economics and Social Sciences > Department of Economics > B. Master's programs).

## 2.5 Course Regulations

All courses are interactive. Most, but not all of the time is spent on lectures. Students might be required to prepare course materials before and after the class, read scientific literature, solve problem sets in and outside the class, write short assignments, give short presentations in class, participate in classroom discussions etc. Class coursework might be graded and, depending on the type of assessment, might improve the grade of the final exam.

#### Part-time study

Students can apply to study part-time if they have a valid reason for not being able to devote at least half of their working hours to their studies.

For more information, please contact the [Campus Center](#). It is important to check at an early stage whether part-time study is necessary or appropriate for your specific case and what the requirements and procedures are.

Whether you are applying for part-time study or not, it is recommended to contact the [program coordination](#) in the Academic Office for advice if you want or need to deviate from the planned study plan. The program coordination will assist you in creating individual study plans and ensuring that you can successfully achieve your study goals.

## 2.6 Master's Thesis

Students of the two-year version use the fourth semester to write their master's thesis. Prerequisite for admission is the successful completion of all three compulsory modules. Furthermore, students must have acquired at least 48 credit points from elective modules (8 out of 10 modules). In the one-year version students can register for the master's thesis after completion of the three compulsory modules and two elective modules (12 credit points).

Students must apply for admission to the master's thesis not later than 6 weeks after having passed all modules. You may propose a topic to your supervisor, who will, in turn, assign the final topic to you. The master's thesis must be completed within 6 months (two-year version)/4 months (one-year version) after filing. It must be written in English. 30 credit point (two-year version)/18 credit points (one-year version) are granted for the successful completion of the master's thesis.

## 2.7 Master's Degree

The degree "Master of Science (MSc)" is awarded to those students who have acquired 120 credit points (two-year version) or 60 credit points (one-year version) in the MSc



Economics program. The final grade is composed of the weighted average of grades for all modules and the master's thesis. The weights are defined by the number of credit points associated with each module.

## 2.8 Exchange Opportunities

### Double Degree Hamburg – Essex

In cooperation with the Department of Economics at the University of Essex, the MSc Economic program at University of Hamburg offers a Double Degree option for master students. Students interested in an internationally orientated course of studies will be given the opportunity of spending one year each in Germany and the UK in order to obtain a Master's degree from both universities. Through the degree program, the students profit from the interaction of two cultures, experiencing international relations for themselves. It enables them to benefit from two influential and complementary academic systems, giving them an enriching experience and boosting their employability.

The program offers a high degree of flexibility in deciding what subject areas to focus on during the course of studies.

### University of Edinburgh

Students may spend their second semester in the "Scottish Graduate Program in Economics" (SGPE) at the University of Edinburgh. This program combines the research and teaching expertise of eight established Scottish Universities. Up to five elective courses in areas such as Environmental Economics, Financial Economics, Economics of Transition, Development Economics, Industrial Economics, Labor Economics etc. can be studied. The Scottish program is located in the beautiful and historic city of Edinburgh. Students participating in the exchange program will have to pay the tuition charged by the local university.

For further information on the SGPE, please visit the [webpage](#) of the University of Edinburgh.

### Semester abroad

As part of your studies, you have the opportunity to study at a foreign university for a semester. There is a close network with a number of European universities as part of the Erasmus program (e.g. with the universities of Helsinki, Bologna, Bolzano, Paris (Sorbonne), Prague). Information on the Erasmus program and comprehensive organizational support can be obtained from the [International Office](#) of the WISO Faculty.

You can also organize a stay at a foreign university on your own. We will be happy to support you. To ensure that the credits earned at a host university can be recognized to your studies, please coordinate your study plans in advance with the program coordinator at the Academic Office Economics.

If you would like to spend time abroad, we recommend that you start planning early, preferably after completing your first semester.

## 3. Assessment

### 3.1 Assessment

#### Module and course examinations

All compulsory modules end with one final module examination each, the single elective modules also end with one examination. The type of examination at the end of a respective module or class is indicated in the module handbook, which is an appendix to the subject-specific provisions (FSBs). If not indicated in the module handbook, the type of examination will be determined by the lecturer and posted in STiNE at the start of the class. In most modules, courses will finish with a written exam. The instructor may also assign particular course work to the students (short essays, problem sets, oral presentations etc.) and may admit only those students for the final exam who have completed the assigned tasks sufficiently well. The instructor can give a bonus for student contributions in the course work. The bonus can improve the final grade for the course by up to 0.7 points. Examinations are graded as follows:

- 1.0 / 1.3 = very good (outstanding performance)
- 1.7 / 2.0 / 2.3 = good (above-average performance)
- 2.7 / 3.0 / 3.3 = satisfactory (average performance)
- 3.7 / 4.0 = sufficient (satisfies the requirements but contains flaws)
- 5.0 = insufficient (does not satisfy the requirements due to substantial flaws)

Once successfully passed, modules and classes cannot be repeated (i.e., grades cannot be improved upon). Each examination can be attempted up to three times. The master's thesis can be repeated once.

#### Conditions for taking part in examinations

In order to take part in a module or course examination, you must have registered in an orderly and timely manner for all of the modules, courses and examinations you wish to take.

#### Examination dates and results

Two examination dates per semester are offered for all required written or oral examinations. The first written examination phase takes place immediately after the official semester lecture period. The second written examination dates are usually offered at the end of the reading period (i.e., prior to the start of the next semester). Students are free to choose between the first and second examination date. You can register or withdraw from a written or oral examination up to three days before the examination date.

We recommend signing up for the first examination date and, if necessary, using the second date to repeat the examination if you fail or miss it due to illness. After

the second date, the examination cannot be re-attempted until after the class will be offered again. You must re-register for the course in order to be eligible to take the examination. Observe that elective modules may not be the same one year later. In this case, students have to attend a different module if they did not pass the first two exams.

If you register for an examination date but do not take the examination, the examination will be assessed as "failed" (5.0). If you miss one or more written examination dates due to illness or other reasons beyond your control and withdrawal is no longer possible, then you must immediately submit an application to prevent this missed examination from being assessed as a failed attempt (see Academic Office homepage > "Service").

You can withdraw from a written or oral examination up to 72 hours prior to the examination date and time without stating any reason. You can also withdraw from other types of examinations, such as term papers (see Academic Office homepage > "Service" > "Semester dates and deadlines").

If you are unable to turn in a written paper (term paper, written report accompanying an oral presentation, etc.) by the due date for reasons beyond your control, the examination regulations provide for the opportunity to apply for an extension of the working period. The extension application must be submitted prior to the end of the working period and the reason for the extension request must be compelling and adequately verified. In the case of illness, for example, this would be a medical certificate. You can find the appropriate application form on the [homepage](#) of the Academic Office.

All examinations are to be assessed by the lecturers as quickly as possible after the examination date and posted in STiNE. The examinations board sets maximum correction deadlines accordingly.

## 3.2 Assessment glossary

### Credit points

Credit points are not an indication of the quality of academic performance, but rather define the average workload you can expect for a module or assessment component. Attending courses and independent study, preparing and following up on learning material, and preparing for and completing coursework are all taken into account. According to the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS), one credit point equates to a total of 25–30 hours of work. When an assessment or module is successfully completed, you will be credited the full number of points. This means that the module will only appear in your academic record when it has been completed in full.

In Europe, the terms “credit points” (CP) and “ECTS CP” are generally used interchangeably. However, if you opt to spend a semester abroad, we recommend you check whether the foreign university uses the ECTS or another system.

### Modules

The master’s degree is organized into modules comprising classes that are thematically linked with one another systematically. The compulsory modules conclude with one final module assessment. The elective modules conclude with an assessment generally relating to one of the module components (courses). Modules can be required (meaning you must take them) or be required electives (that you are able to select from a catalog of modules).

### Assessments

The assessments you must complete for each module are detailed in the module descriptions. One common assessment type is a term paper. In a term paper, you must consider a prescribed topic covered in the module in question independently, and apply scientific techniques and methodologies. It generally takes several weeks to prepare a term paper, and they are mostly set at the end of the lecture period. Other assessment types include project work, which also involves oral presentation of the work outcomes in addition to a written piece, text analyses, written exams, and an internship report. All assessment types are defined in the examination regulations and the subject-specific provisions and also detailed in the course catalogue before the start of class registration (deadlines, examinations, etc.). An assessment is considered passed if the grade of 4.0 (“Sufficient”) or higher is awarded.

It is not possible to re-take assessments you have already passed (e.g., to improve your grade).

### Coursework

Completed coursework may be prerequisite for you being allowed to sit a module examination. Compared with assessment tasks that must be completed under exam conditions, coursework is a less intensive form of assessment. The possible types of coursework are defined in the subject-specific provisions: course notes, short presentations, group presentations, essays, excerpts or reviews, annotated bibliographies, written tests or examinations, exercises, documentation and reflection on individual learning outcomes, etc. Details of the coursework foreseen for a class will be published in the course catalog at the start of class registration. Coursework is considered passed if the grade of 4.0 (“Sufficient”) or higher is awarded. However, a grade will not be awarded as such.

## 4. Class and Examination Registration

### 4.1 STiNE—University of Hamburg's student information network

STiNE is the University of Hamburg's web-based student information network that serves as an information and communication system for students, lecturers, and employees. It is also the central platform for applying to degree programs at the University of Hamburg and registering for courses and examinations. Moreover, it provides an overview of your academic progress and examination results.

You receive your individual login details (ID, password, iTAN block) to log into STiNE at enrollment. Should you not receive these details or experience technical difficulties, please contact the STiNE support service at the Regional Computing Center (RRZ).

#### STiNE Portal:

[www.stine.uni-hamburg.de](http://www.stine.uni-hamburg.de)

RRZ-Servicedesk Regional Computing Center  
Schlüterstraße 70 Room 15

#### Contact:

Please use the support form in STiNE to send your questions or problems to the STiNE helpline. You can find this form in the menu (logged-in area) on the left-hand side of the screen.

The MSc Economics has a three-step registration procedure for the compulsory modules:

- Registration for the compulsory module
- Registration for the associated final module exam
- Registration for the associated courses

The registration process of the elective modules differs:

- Registration for the elective module
- Registration for the associated course
- Registration for the associated module exam

If you have difficulties registering for courses and examinations, please contact STiNE support or the examination manager responsible for your degree program in a timely manner.

Please check STiNE at the end of the general registration period to see if your registration for a class was successful and you can attend it. In this phase, the specific time point of registration is not crucial. In case a course is overbooked the places are assigned randomly. During the late registration as well as changes and corrections period, however, the remaining available places are allotted directly during the registration procedure. Registration for the respective class is binding once the changes and corrections period has ended. You can only deregister yourself from a written or oral examination afterwards.

It is very important to deregister from all classes that you do not wish to attend. Please note that there is no automatic registration or deregistration. It is always your responsibility to register or deregister by the respective deadline.

### 4.2 Registering for and withdrawing from classes and examinations

In order to participate in classes and examinations, you must register through STiNE.

There are two registration periods for the compulsory modules in STiNE for this purpose: the registration period for first-semester students as well as the changes and corrections period that begins after the start of the lecture period and during which you can register for the remaining available places as necessary.

There are three registration periods for the elective modules in STiNE for this purpose: the first general registration period, the late registration as well as the changes and corrections.

We strongly recommend registering for all your courses and examinations during the first registration periods as you may not be able to attend any classes in the respective semester if you miss the first registration periods. You should therefore check deadlines well in advance and ensure that you have all of the information and login details necessary for registering.

### 4.2 Registering for the Master's Thesis

There is a separate registration procedure for the master's thesis. Prerequisite for admission is the successful completion of all three compulsory modules. Furthermore, students have acquired at least 48 credit points from elective modules (8 out of 10 modules). In the one-year version, students can register for the master's thesis after completion of the three compulsory modules and two elective modules. Registration takes place via a special form available on the homepage of the Academic Office, not through STiNE. In particular, this form documents your thesis topic and your supervisor. We strongly recommend that you begin planning your master's thesis in a timely manner at the end of your studies and read the specific examination regulations carefully.

Additional information on registering and deregistering from classes, examinations and theses is available on the homepage of the Academic Office.

## 5. Academic Office Economics

### 5.1 Tasks of the Academic Office

The Academic Office Economics supplies students in the Department of Economics with information and services relating to organizing studies in the subject-specific area. All tasks for the economics degree programs are handled here. Teams supervise the individual degree programs and offer prospective and current students as well as lecturers' comprehensive advice and services.

### 5.2 Contact to the Academic Office

The current opening hours of the Servicepoint, the office hours of the staff and an overview of responsibilities can be found on the website of the Academic Office under '[Contact](#)'.

#### Address of the Academic Office Economics

University of Hamburg  
Faculty of Business, Economics and Social Sciences  
Academic Office Economics  
Von-Melle-Park 5 (Section C, groundfloor)  
20146 Hamburg

#### Webpage of the Academic Office Economics

<https://www.wiso.uni-hamburg.de/en/studienbuero-volkswirtschaftslehre>

### 5.3 Contact persons in the Academic Office

Various members of staff look after your needs in the Academic Office Economics.

#### Servicepoint

The servicepoint is your first point of contact at the Academic Office Economics. Here you have the opportunity to clarify minor organizational questions about your studies as well as questions about the responsible contact persons directly with the help of student employees. During the personal office hours of the examination and course managers and the program coordinators, the servicepoint will put you in touch with the contact person responsible for your enquiry.

#### Course and examination management

The course and examination management maintain the course data in STiNE and manages students' examination files and accounts. It advises on questions relating to the registration, re-registration and cancellation of courses and examinations in STiNE and provides support in the event of registration problems. Furthermore, the course and examination management staff are responsible for preparing transcripts of records and final documents.

### Program coordination and subject advising

The study coordination and subject advising offers comprehensive support such as individual counselling on study organization, assistance in drawing up individual study plans and advice on the legal basis of the respective degree program. Information management and public relations work are also part of the tasks as well as counselling on semesters abroad and the recognition of examinations.

### 5.4 Services from A to Z

The Academic Office Economics offers counselling and services on a range of topics. The most frequently requested issues are listed below.

Further information on the individual procedures and any necessary forms can be found on the website of the Academic Office.

- Advice on general study organization issues
- BaföG certificates
- Certificate documents
- Compensation for disadvantages
- Courses
- Course catalogue
- Examination modalities
- International guest students ('incomings')
- Legal principles
- Part-time study
- Recognition of achievements
- Registration for and cancellation of courses and examinations
- Registration for master's thesis
- Sick notes for examinations and extension of deadlines
- STiNE account
- Study counselling
- Studying abroad ('outgoings')
- Transcript of Records (overview of achievements)



## 6. Further Contact

### 6.1 Subject-specific matters

#### Program Direction

The Program Direction bears overall responsibility for the study program and is responsible for the further development of the study program.

#### Examinations Board

The Examinations Board is the body to which appeals must be made. Members of the Examinations Board are professors and students of the respective degree program.

#### Professors

The professors of the department of economics provide advice in their respective office hours on subject-related questions regarding courses and examinations.

### 6.2 General student matters

#### Campus Center of the University of Hamburg

In addition to advice on application and admission procedures and information on student matters (such as enrollment, leave of absence, semester fees and semester documents, withdrawal), the [Campus Center](#) offers a comprehensive range of services and advice:

The [Center for Academic Advising](#) of the University of Hamburg advises prospective students and students of the University of Hamburg. The counseling services include topics such as study orientation, application and enrollment, changing subjects as well as [workshops and coaching](#).

Students can turn to the [Psychological Counseling Service](#) with all study-related difficulties and personal concerns that affect their studies, such as learning and work disorders, writing, speaking and exam nerves, feelings of loneliness and contact difficulties, depression and anxiety.

[HOPES](#) is aimed at students who need practical help to successfully cope with study requirements following a severe mental health crisis, often after inpatient or day-care treatment.

The [Office for Students with Disabilities](#) advises and supports students with disabilities (e.g. chronic illnesses) in all impairment-specific matters relating to study preparation, application and studies.

#### Libraries

The [library for the faculties Business, Economics and Social Sciences and Business Administration](#) offers you an

extensive selection of academic literature as well as advice and training on the use of the library and literature research.

### 6.3 Internship, job and career

#### University of Hamburg: Career and Qualification Center

The [Career and Qualification Center](#) offers courses and workshops for career orientation and providers of career-oriented seminars.

### 6.4 Semester abroad and international affairs

#### WiSo Faculty: International Office

The [International Office](#) supports you in organizing a semester abroad; assistance in all matters relating to the ERASMUS program before and during a semester abroad.

#### University of Hamburg: Department of International Affairs

The [Department of International Affairs](#) offers general advice on "Studying abroad", "Internships and jobs abroad", further education offers, scholarships.

#### University of Hamburg: Language Center

The [language Center](#) provides subject-related foreign language courses. Attention: Placement tests take place before the start of lectures!

#### Adult Education Center Hamburg

The [Adult Education Center Hamburg](#) provides language courses on campus. Attention: Placement tests take place before the start of lectures!





# UNIVERSITY MAP

