TUITION FEES
Since winter term 2012/13 there are no more study fees at the University of Hamburg. But currently there is an enrolment fee of € 285,00 which also covers public transport in the Hamburg metropolitan area. Students participating in the exchange programme with the "The Scottish Graduate Programme in Economics" will have to pay the tuition charged by the local university. For students from EU countries this amounts to approximately £ 1325,- for five electives.

FURTHER INFORMATION
For further information, please visit http://www.wiso.uni-hamburg.de/msc-econ

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HAMBURG AT A GLANCE
With 1.7 million inhabitants, the Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg is the second largest city in Germany and one of the 16 federal states of the Federal Republic of Germany. Hamburg features the second-largest container harbour in Europe which can accommodate the biggest container ships the world has to offer. The HafenCity, an ultra-modern commercial and business district is currently being built directly on the Elbe river. 460 companies from Asia alone have their European headquarters or a branch office in Hamburg. Hamburg is also a location for highly specialized industries. It is a leader in medical technology and biotechnology and is one of the world centres for aircraft construction. Other important industries are media businesses with over 70,000 employees. Some of Germany’s largest companies engaged in publishing, music and internet activities are located in the city.

The University of Hamburg is situated in the heart of a bustling, cosmopolitan port city. The large number of foreign students and lecturers living in Hamburg makes this university city an easy-going meeting place, in which different cultures can exchange ideas and get to know each other.
MODERN ECONOMICS

Today’s economists face globally competitive and increasingly complex environments. The University of Hamburg’s “Master of Science in Economics” (M.Sc.) programme responds effectively to these developments. It provides thorough and rigorous training in modern economic theories and techniques. It attaches great importance to quantitative skills and emphasizes state-of-the-art methods of empirical research. It encourages applied work and relates it to policy. The acquired tools and research skills prepare students for real-world economic situations and challenges.

University of Hamburg, Main Building

The programme is completely taught in English. It provides sound training in best practice methods of mainstream economics. Opportunities for optional in-depth studies in areas of personal interest initiate a gradual transition to independent research. The programme is designed for careers in higher education, research or consultancy on both the national and international level.

Hamburg, City Centre.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROGRAMME

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).

Two-year programme version:
The regular two-year version of the programme comprises
• three compulsory modules in the first semester (Advanced Microeconomics, Advanced Macroeconomics, and Advanced Econometrics).
• ten electives on theoretical and applied economics distributed over the second and third semester
• the fourth semester is devoted to the Master’s thesis

One-year programme version:
The abbreviated one-year version consists of
• three compulsory modules in the first semester (Advanced Microeconomics, Advanced Macroeconomics and Advanced Econometrics)
• four electives distributed over the first and second semester
• the second half of the second semester is devoted to the Master’s thesis.

The one-year version is open to students who enter the M.Sc. programme with a primary degree of 240 ECTS credit points, i.e. four years of studies and outstanding academic records.

Choice of electives: Elective modules in theoretical and applied economics give students the opportunity to extend, focus and apply their knowledge based on personal interests. Topics of elective courses change from semester to semester. Recently, courses on the following topics have been offered: Financial Economics, Development Economics, Quantitative Economic Research, Game Theory, New Keynesian Economics, Public Choice, Labour Economics, Philosophy of Economics, Real Estate and Urban Economics, Environmental and Resource Economics, History of Economic Thought, Economics of Business Strategy, Behavioural Economics, International Political Economy.

INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE PROGRAMME

In their second semester, students may participate in the international exchange programme with the “Scottish Graduate Programme in Economics”. This programme combines the research and teaching expertise of eight established Scottish Universities. Up to five optional courses can be studied. Currently, the Scottish programme is located in the beautiful and historic city of Edinburgh. Check www.wiso.uni-hamburg.de/msc-econ for more information.

Edinburgh Castle

QUALIFICATION FOR A DOCTORAL DEGREE

Upon successful completion of the M.Sc. programme, students with a strong academic record can continue their education by writing a doctoral dissertation under the supervision of a faculty member. Research interests originating from the Master’s thesis may but need not be the point of departure for the Ph. D. thesis.

ADMISSIONS

Prerequisite for admission is a Bachelor degree in Economics. Other applicants must present evidence of a strong focus on economics and quantitative methods or have a Bachelor degree or equivalent in Sciences, Engineering, Mathematics or Statistics. Results of a GRE test are required for applicants without a primary degree in Economics. For detailed information on application requirements, visit www.wiso.uni-hamburg.de/msc-econ. Applications are welcome from 15 February until 31 March of each year.