

-Master of Science (MSc) Politics, Economics and Philosophy-

Application information

Application period: 15 February - 31 March (winter semester)

Semester start: 1 October (winter semester)

Language(s) of instruction: English

Introduction

Information about the admission requirements and the application process can be found at: www.wiso.uni-hamburg.de/msc-pep

Admission requirements

University degree

Applicants must have completed a first university degree (e.g., Bachelor degree or equivalent of at least 180 ECTS) in one of the following fields of study:

- Political Science
- Economics
- Philosophy

Applicants must demonstrate that at least 60% or its ECTS equivalent (108 ECTS out of 180 ECTS) of their first university degree is in one of the above named fields of study. Applicants with a first degree in PPE (or similar) should consult the FAQs (see Questions Regarding Admissions Requirements).

Applicants with a first university degree in economics must provide evidence of the successful completion of the following courses:

- mathematics, statistics and econometrics with an equivalent of at least 15 ECTS,
- advanced courses in economics with an equivalent of at least 24 ECTS.

Applicants with a first university degree in political science must demonstrate the successful completion of at least 12 ECTS in courses pertaining to the methods of empirical research in social science/political science.

Applicants with a first university degree in philosophy must demonstrate the successful completion of at least 8 ECTS in formal methods (e.g., logic and argumentation theory, decision theory, mathematics).

In the event that at the time of submission of your application you have not received your degree certificate, you will have to submit this by the end of the first semester of your studies in the M.Sc. PEP program.

Additional special admission requirements

All applicants must provide one of the following English language skills:

- English language tests:
 - o Revised TOEFL Paper- delivered Test: at least 22 points per skill (Reading, Listening, Writing)
 - o TOEFL internet-based test: 92 points with at least 22 points per skill (Listening, Writing, Speaking, Reading)
 - o International English Language Testing System (IELTS) - Academics: Band 6,5, Good Competent User, with at least 6,0 per skill
 - o Cambridge Certificate of Advanced English (CAE): Results A, B, C
 - o Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English (CPE): Results A, B, C
 - o Cambridge Higher Business English Certificate (BEC): Results A, B, C

For details of the legal basis for this regulation, please see the admission bylaws for your chosen degree program: www.uni-hamburg.de/zugang-master

Application

Online application with upload of documents

You will need to complete the online application available on Universität Hamburg's application portal during the application period: www.uni-hamburg.de/online-application

Please create a user account, enter your information online, upload the required documents to your online application and submit your application electronically.

The application procedure for the master's program in Politics, Economics and Philosophy is an online procedure. This means that you do not need to submit any documents in paper form to Universität Hamburg. Instead, you have to upload them (see below). Selection is based on the information you provide online and the documents you upload online. If you are admitted to enrollment, you will need to submit documents in paper form to the Application and Admissions Team (Team Bewerbung und Zulassung) confirming the information you provide in your online application. Please note that the offer of admission may be withdrawn otherwise.

Documents to upload

For documents not issued in German or English, a certified copy translation is required.

- **Degree certificate or provisional Transcript of Records**
If you are still studying when you apply and cannot yet provide a final certificate containing your grades, please submit your current Transcript of Records confirming your provisional grade point average. You will then need to submit your degree certificate by the end of the first semester of your master's program.
- Proof of **English language skills**: Applicants who, at the time of their application, are not able to prove their English language skills as listed above, must provide a proof of their registration for the next possible test date (e.g. print out of the online registration). In this case, the deadline for late-submission of the test results will be postponed until **May, 31**.
- Up-to-date Transcript of records
- **Letter of motivation** (500 words max., in English)
- **Two letters of recommendation from a university lecturer in your primary degree program**. The lecturer must hold a PhD and must be full-time employed at an institute of higher education.
- Chinese applicants are welcome to provide an APS Certificate as part of their application documents.

Selection criteria

If the number of applicants exceeds the number of places available, a selection procedure will be necessary:

Applicants will be selected according to a ranking based on the following criteria:

- Final or current GPA of your first degree: 50%
- Letter of motivation: 20%
- Letters of references: 20%
- Proficiency in the respective two other disciplines of the program (proven through ToR), i.e. proficiency in economics and/or philosophy, if your first degree is in politics; proficiency in economics and/or politics, if your first degree is in philosophy; proficiency in philosophy and/or politics, if your first degree is in economics: 10%

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Admission and enrollment

Once your application has been reviewed, an acceptance or rejection letter will be made available in your STiNE account under the Dokumente (Documents) tab. Please see the information at www.uni-hamburg.de/online-application. An enrollment deadline will be indicated in your acceptance letter—please submit the documents required for enrollment to the Application and Admissions Team (Team Bewerbung und Zulassung) by this date. Detailed information about the enrollment process is provided at www.uni-hamburg.de/masterenrollment

More helpful information about the online applications to the master's programs can be found at: www.uni-hamburg.de/en/campuscenter/bewerbung and www.uni-hamburg.de/en/campuscenter/studienorganisation/formulare-informationsmerkblaetter/informationsmerkblaetter

FAQs

On the following website you can find the Frequently Asked Questions about the application and selection procedure: www.wiso.uni-hamburg.de/studienbuero-volkswirtschaftslehre/studiengaenge/master-econ/faq-mspep-inhalt

On the following website you can find the Frequently Asked Questions about the impact of the corona pandemic on your studies and exams: www.wiso.uni-hamburg.de/en/studienbuero-volkswirtschaftslehre/service/faqcoronavirus.html
www.uni-hamburg.de/en/newsroom/intern/2020/0323-auswirkungen-studierende.html

Contact

Visit the program's website at: www.wiso.uni-hamburg.de/msc-pep

For queries regarding questions in the online application form please contact the Campus- Center of Universität Hamburg: www.uni-hamburg.de/en/campuscenter/beratung/infoberatung-online/kontaktformular-campus-center.html

If you have technical problems (e.g. your username or password, etc.) with the online application form, please contact the STiNE support: <https://support.rrz.uni-hamburg.de/bewerbung/>

For any other queries regarding your application, the application documents, the upload of your documents, the selection process, the study program, etc. which are not answered on this website (also check the FAQ section), please contact application-pep@wiso.uni-hamburg.de