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 places second as the largest container harbour in Europe and seventh world-wide. It's only about 100 km away from the high seas and is able to accommodate the biggest container ships the world has to offer. As a trade and transport metropolis, Hamburg has more than 90 consulates. 460 companies from Asia alone have their European headquarters or a branch office in Hamburg. With the HafenCity, an ultra-modern commercial and business district is currently being built directly on the Elbe river.

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: it is here that the wide-bodied Airbus A380 is being built.

The University of Hamburg is situated in the heart of a bustling, cosmopolitan port city. Moreover, the large number of foreign students and lecturers at the University of Hamburg make for an easy-going meeting place, in which people from different cultures can exchange ideas and get to know each other. The metropolis of Hamburg, as a port and cosmopolitan city, provides an ideal background to this.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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

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ANALYSIS OF INDIVIDUAL AND COLLECTIVE DECISIONS

The School of Business, Economics and Social Sciences at the University of Hamburg offers a two-year English-language master program in Politics, Economics and Philosophy starting in the winter term of each year. The major theme of the program is the analysis of individual and collective decisions which will be studied from the perspective of the three disciplines involved. Students will learn how to combine insights from political science, economics and philosophy in order to solve decision problems arising in such diverse areas as politics, corporate governance, international relations and others.

The program is research-oriented and aims to provide a thorough and rigorous training in modern theories and methods in political science, economics and philosophy. On the one hand it is designed for students who subsequently intend to enter a Ph.D. program in one of the three disciplines and who want to pursue an interdisciplinary approach in their research. On the other hand the program addresses students who want to pursue a career in the public sector, a private enterprise or in national and international organizations.

STRUCTURE OF THE PROGRAM

- The program duration is two years.
- In each of the first three semesters the students attend disciplinary courses in political science, economics and philosophy as well as interdisciplinary seminars in economics and political science or philosophy.
- The fourth semester is devoted to the master thesis.

ADMISSIONS

Prerequisite for admission is a first university degree in economics, politics or philosophy. Ideally, though not required, students with a university degree in one of these disciplines already have some knowledge in one or both of the other disciplines. Furthermore, a very good command of written and spoken English is required.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Admission to the program will be decided upon the basis of the following:

- Quality and field of the primary degree. Please submit certificates/transcripts of your undergraduate education
- Level of English language skills. Competence in English must be demonstrated by obtaining results higher than the quoted levels in one of the following tests:
  - TOEFL paper-and-pencil test: 580 points with a score of 4,5 in the essay (TWE score)
  - TOEFL internet-based test: 92 points with at least 22 points per skill (Listening, Writing, Speaking, Reading)
  - International English Language Testing System (IELTS): Academic: Band 6,5, Good Competent User, with at least 6,0 per skill
  - Cambridge Certificate of Advanced English (CAE): Results A, B, C
  - Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English (CPE): Results A, B, C
  - Cambridge Higher Business English Certificate (BEC): Results A, B, C
- Letter of motivation (in English, max. 500 words)
- Two letters of recommendation from university lecturers in your primary degree program. Both lecturers must hold a Ph.D. and must be full-time employed at an institute of higher education.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

Applications for the M.Sc. PEP are welcome from February 15 to March 31 of each year. For detailed information on admission requirements and the application process, visit: http://www.wiso.uni-hamburg.de/msc-pep/

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.