International Environment and Development Studies

To graduate with the "Master of Science in Economics and Management" from the Leibniz Universität Hannover, students have to choose their courses from a Major-Area (50 ECTS), a Minor-Area (20 ECTS) and an electives-Area (20 ECTS) - in addition to writing their Master thesis (30 ECTS). One of the Major- (or Minor-) Areas focuses on "International Environment and Development Studies". It offers a unique opportunity for intercultural learning and exchange among international participants from all over the world. A range of courses is available that will equip students with theoretical and empirical methods and practical tools to advance and implement strategies for poverty reduction, economic growth and sustainable development. Students will also learn how to foster public private partnerships for business and international development.

The programme is open to Bachelor graduates from the field of economics and related subjects (e.g. development studies, agricultural economics, natural resources management, international management). It is envisaged to prepare for high-level positions in the private and/or public sector, as well as international organisations that deal with sustainable development at local, regional, country and global level.

Upon successful completion of the programme, the graduates will receive the degree "Master of Science in Economics and Management" with Major or Minor "International Environment and Development Studies". More content-related information can be found at: https://www.wiwi.uni-hannover.de/area_ieds.html

Additional information for students from outside the European Union

Master programme
(4 semesters)

The Master programme requires a total of 120 Credits Points (CP). These points can be obtained by choosing modules from the Major area "International Environment and Development Studies" (50 CP), one Minor area (20 CP), one Electives area (20 CP), and by writing a Master thesis (30 CP).

1. Major area

In the first, second and third semester of the Master programme, different elective modules from the Major area "International Environment and Development Studies" can be chosen. A total of 50 CP (10 courses) are required.

Example modules:
- Environmental Economics
- Data Collection
- Project Planning and Evaluation
- Econometrics
- International Business Relations
- Social Risk Management
- Topics in Economics
- World Trade
- Water Economics
- Energy Economics
- International Agricultural Policy
- Growth and Development

Offered seminars:
- Asian Economies
- African Economies
- Population Economics
- Economic Geography

2. Minor area

During the first three semesters, the students attend different modules from a chosen Minor area. A total of 20 CP (4 courses) are required.

Suitable modules in English language can be selected from one of the following areas:
- Accounting, Taxation and Public Finance
- Empirical Economics and Econometrics
- Finance, Banking & Insurance
- Health Economics
- Information and Operations Research
- Strategic Management

3. Electives area

To reach the required credit points, the students choose additional modules from the Major area "International Environment and Development Studies" and/or from any of the above mentioned six Major areas. A total of 20 CP (4 courses) are required.

Most of the courses of the area "International Environment and Development Studies" are offered by members of the Development Economics Research Group of the School of Economics and Management at Leibniz Universität Hannover - www.wiwi.uni-hannover.de. Main responsibility lies with the Institute for Environmental Economics and World Trade, Prof. Dr. Ulrike Grote - www.iuw.uni-hannover.de - and the Institute of Development and Agricultural Economics, Prof. Dr. Hermann Waibel - www.ifgb.uni-hannover.de.
**Application information**

**Admission requirements**
- BSc. or equivalent certificate, with a list of subjects.
- Application is possible prior to final examination, provided that at least 83% of the required examination are completed. Certified evidence must be provided.
- The minimum requirement is a total of 180 credit points of which a minimum of 40 must be from the field of Business Administration, 35 from Economics and 24 from Mathematics or Statistics.
- Certified proficiency in English TOEFL (550 points paper based; 213 computer based; 79 iBT) or IELTS (band 6). This is not necessary for applicants, who have English as their mother tongue or as the language of instruction at the university where they studied (certified by the university).
- Curriculum vitae.
- Please make sure that all certificates are authorized.

The decision on admission will be made based on a ranking process for all applicants.

**Application deadline**
- The deadline for registration is 31 May each year.
- The Master courses start once a year in October (winter term).

**Further information**

More content-related information can be found at:
www.wiwi.uni-hannover.de/area_ieds.html

The link to the Module Handbook with detailed descriptions of the modules and courses taught:
www.wiwi.uni-hannover.de/modulhandbuecher.html

Information for students from countries outside EU, Application & enrolment:
Engineering and Business Administration (Master of Science)

Direct link for Online Application, please read text 'Application procedure' right column, 1.-4.:
https://qis.verwaltung.uni-hannover.de/qisserver.servlet/de.his.servlet.RequestDispatcherServlet?state=wimma&stg=b&timma=einl

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**4. Master thesis**

The Master thesis covers relevant economic topics related to current local, regional or global environment or development issues. They may also relate to ongoing research projects.

**Example:** DFG Research project: 'Poverty dynamics and sustainable development: A long-term panel project in Thailand and Vietnam'.
https://www.tvsep.de/overview-tvsep.html

Students have the opportunity to write their Master theses based on recent empirical data.

The Master thesis can be also written in cooperation with universities or research institutes abroad, e.g. in Asia.

The Master thesis covers 30 CP.

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**Application procedure**

1. **Online registration starts 15 April.**
   Direct link: Please follow the link in the last line of this page.
2. Fill in the requested data.
3. Print out the application form and sign it.
4. Send application form and required documents (all documents must be officially certified) to: Leibniz Universität Hannover
   Immatrikulationsamt – Admissions
   Welfengarten 1
   30167 Hannover
   Germany

Note: Upon filling in the online form, your data will be entered in the university data base. After assessment of your application by the School of Economics and Management you will be informed of the result via e-mail (around 15 July).

In case you have problems with the online registration, please contact Mr. Florian Heinrichs, e-mail: msc01@ifgb.uni-hannover.de

Tuition fee amounts to 426 Euro per semester.

**Visa**

Obtaining a student visa for Germany usually takes at least two months. Please apply for a student visa immediately upon receiving the Letter of Admission! Seek advice from the German Embassy in your country for special conditions and necessary papers for the application. Do not enter Germany with a tourist visa! A tourist visa cannot be transferred to a student visa once you have entered Germany. In your application, please include a copy of your acceptance letter.