

# M.A. "INTERNATIONAL ECONOMICS"

Hochschule für Wirtschaft und Recht  
(HWR) Berlin

## Was kann ich bei euch studieren?

The Master's degree programme International Economics (MIE) at HWR Berlin offers an in-depth exploration of international macroeconomic issues and problems, like global and regional imbalances, macroeconomic instability, inequality and ecological constraints of economic activities. This consecutive degree programme imparts a critical understanding of current debates in economics, including a number of heterodox approaches, and is seeking to adopt a pluralist perspective. The programme promotes an understanding of international economic contexts and incorporates theoretical controversies, historical and up-to-date developments. Adopting an interdisciplinary perspective, it seeks to stress the importance of social and political institutions for economic development.

About one third of the MIE students are also in the international Double/Joint Degree Master Economic Policies in the Age of Globalisation (E-PoG2) or the Erasmus Mundus Master Economic Policies for the Global Transition (EPOG+), which, if application will be successful, will become the Erasmus Mundus Master Economic Policies for the Global Bifurcation (EPOG-JM). Our international partners are from Paris, Rome, Torino, Vienna, and Witwatersrand. The EPOG programmes are coordinated by Universite Sorbonne Paris Nord (EPOG2) und Universite Technologie de Compiègne (EPOG+/EPOG-JM)

## Wie macht mich das Studium future-fit?

The graduates of this degree programme hold all the qualifications required to work in state and private organizations, internationally-orientated companies, economic associations and labour unions. The degree »Master of Arts« (M.A.) also qualifies its holder for the higher levels of public administration and for national and international doctoral programmes. **MIE graduates have continued in the following areas:**

- international PhD programmes (Paris, Rome, UMass Amherst, ...),
- economic policy advisors (European Parliament, Deutscher Bundestag, ...),
- public administration (OECD, European Commission, Federal Ministries, GIZ,...),
- think tanks, NGOs, labour unions (DGB, ZOE, BI Finanzwende, ...),
- banking sector (ECB, European national central banks, saving & loans, ...),
- corporations and small scale business ...

## Wie kann ich bei euch studieren?

Structure:

1. Semester: Macroeconomics, International Economics, Development Economics, Global Governance, Tutorial Seminar I
2. Semester: Current Issues in International Economics (Project), Electives from: Growth & Distribution, Econometrics, International Political Economy, Political Economy or Modern Capitalism, Feminist & Ecological Economics, ...
3. Semester: Master Thesis & Research Seminar, or Internship, Semester broad
4. Semester: Master Thesis & Research Seminar

The first semester courses are mandatory for MIE students. We teach a seminaristic style, combining inputs by professors, student group works and student presentations. In the first semester, exams are combined exams, with written (i.e. term papers or in-class exams) and oral parts (oral group exams or presentations).

In the second semester, all students have to take the Current Issues in International Economics project, in which they work in small groups under the supervision of a professor on a student research project. Furthermore, students select three elective courses, which are also taught in a seminaristic style. Students are encouraged to participate in events organised by the Institute for International Political Economy (IPE) of the HWR Berlin.

## Wann sollte ich bei euch nicht studieren?

Our programme has a heterodox and interdisciplinary orientation with a focus on international macroeconomics, money and currency, political economy and economic policies. Students who are expecting a microeconomic and quantitative methods focus should better look for other programmes.