



Friedrich-Alexander-Universität
School of Business,
Economics and Society

Master's degree program

Economics

Module handbook—
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Advanced
knowledge



Master of Science in Economics

MASTER ECONOMICS (MSE)

Study progress

Semester 1	Semester 2	Semester 3	Semester 4
<p>Mathematics for Economists</p> <p>5 ECTS</p> <p>Microeconomics</p> <p>5 ECTS</p> <p>Game Theory</p> <p>5 ECTS</p> <p>Macroeconomics: Business Cycles</p> <p>5 ECTS</p> <p>Macroeconomics: Economic Growth</p> <p>5 ECTS</p> <p>Applied Econometrics</p> <p>5 ECTS</p>	<p>Specialization (10 elective modules within the 5 Economics module groups + 2 free elective modules)</p> <p>Elective modules in Economics*: 10 modules (5 ECTS each) within the 5 module groups:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Labor Economics ▪ Macroeconomics and Finance ▪ Public Economics ▪ Energy Markets ▪ Health Economics <p>50 ECTS</p> <p>+</p> <p>Free elective modules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 2 modules (5 ECTS each) <p>10 ECTS</p>		<p>Master's thesis (incl. Seminar)</p>
30 ECTS	60 ECTS		30 ECTS

120 ECTS – Standard duration of study: 4 semesters

* For information on current elective modules, refer to the module handbook.

Updated 31 August, 2021. All information is without guarantee of correctness and completeness and may be subject to change without notice. The current study plan is part of the examination regulations. For further information, visit www.wiso.fau.de/pruefungsordnung.

Compulsory modules

Elective modules

Instructions for creating course schedule

The screenshot shows the Campo website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the Campo logo, a search menu, and the university name: Student Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg. Below the navigation bar, there is a breadcrumb trail: You are here: Home > Studies.offered > Module.descriptions > Show.module.descriptions. The main content area is titled "Show module descriptions" and contains a search bar with "New search" and "To change the search" buttons. Below the search bar, there is a section titled "Module Descriptions" which contains a table with the following data:

Default text	Type.of.element	Course.of.study	Degree
Master of Science Economics Hauptfach PO-Version 2009	Examination regulations		
Master of Science Economics Hauptfach PO-Version 20152	Examination regulations	M.Sc. Economics (PO 20152)	Master of Science
Master of Science Economics Hauptfach PO-Version 20212	Examination regulations	M.Sc. Economics (PO 20212)	Master of Science

Students can find the module description in Campo. You can either search for a particular module or you can search Master of Science Economics and in the folder Hauptfach PO-Version 20212 you can see all modules related to the MSE program.

Guidance on how to create your final course schedule can be found on Campo: https://www.doc.zuv.fau.de//L2/Anleitungen/Studierende/English/Academic_progress_and_schedule.pdf

Notes on the type and scope of examination performances

The form of examination conducted at the School of Business, Economics and Society is defined in §17 Prüfungsarten of Master-Rahmenprüfungsordnung (MPO). Furthermore, the extent of examinations is regulated by §§18 until 24 MPO. The examination regulation can be accessed via the following link:

<http://www.zuv.fau.de/universitaet/organisation/recht/studiensatzungen/rw.shtml#>

Specialisations

Students can choose to study **specialisations**, in which a minimum of 15 ECTS are to be completed. If a module is allocated to more than one specialisation students may decide themselves which specialisation it is to be allocated to. To avoid confusion, please note that *specialisations* and *module groups* are different concepts!

The five available specialisations and their respective modules are the following:

Labor Economics
Macroeconomics and Finance
Public Economics
Energy Markets
Health Economics

	Term	Language	Module group*
Miscellaneous (Modules that do not belong to any specific specialisation)			
Economic internship (56441)**	W/S		Public
Exchange module 1 (55691)	W/S		Public
Exchange module 2 (55692)	W/S		Public

***Module groups** (Modulgruppen) as defined in the examination regulations and study plan: Labor (Labor Economics), Public (Public Economics), Macro (Macroeconomics and Finance), Energy (Energy Markets), and Health (Health Economics).

****Economic internship**

Students can gain up to 5 ECTS credits from an internship in economics during their studies. The credits can be allocated to one of the listed specialisations or to miscellaneous, depending on the content of the internship. For more information on module 56441, please see the module description.

Language classes

Students can take up to 10 ECTS from language classes. These ECTS would be part of the elective area. The first course can be from any language level (A1-C1), except for German classes where students cannot get credited for courses lower than B1. The second language course has to be on level at least B2.

Free Elective Modules

Students choose two modules (5 ECTS credits each) from all the modules approved for this programme by the programme coordinators. Students can choose courses from the module handbook in the specialisation or the miscellaneous section. Further language courses, exchange modules and the economic internship module can be selected. Modules not offered by the Faculty may be taken if they have been approved in advance. Modules must be selected on the basis that the student will acquire more advanced knowledge and skills in economics at the Master's level than at the Bachelor's level.