



Hochschule für
Wirtschaft und Recht Berlin
Berlin School of Economics and Law

Department of Business and Economics



Master International Finance

Master in International Finance

The Master in International Finance at the Berlin School of Economics and Law is designed for students from Germany and abroad who are interested in an international and interdisciplinary programme in finance. Applicants are expected to have a Bachelor or equivalent qualification and the requisite basic knowledge of finance skills.

The Master programme comprises advanced finance courses enabling students to expand and deepen their theoretical and practical skills in both traditional and innovative financial management methods. The programme focuses equally on the two areas of corporate and capital market finance. Graduates of the Master in International Finance will have acquired extensive expertise in finance and the skills to effectively take on demanding financial management tasks in a variety of sectors including the public sector.

Courses are predominantly structured as interactive seminars, with teaching entirely in English. The small group size facilitates direct dialogue and closer contact between the students and the academic staff.

Berlin School of Economics and Law



The Berlin School of Economics and Law (BSEL) is one of the largest Universities of Applied Sciences in the city. It has an academic staff of approximately 200 professors and 500 lecturers, plus nearly 270 research and administrative personnel, committed to realising over 50 study programmes.

The BSEL portfolio provides a wide range of professional qualifications. The University forms an academic centre specialised in business and administration skills for the public and private sector, as well as public security, law and engineering. The majority of programmes lead to a Bachelor or Master degree, have been quality controlled and are accredited by a German agency.

The BSEL offers a pleasant, modern atmosphere that is ideal for studying. The programmes comprise small class courses where each student has a chance to interact with the department and their peers. The campus offers well equipped seminar and lecture rooms, an extensive library and several fully equipped computer rooms.

With numerous networking activities, excellent corporate contacts and a close relationship with over 130 partner universities worldwide, we guarantee that student life is enhanced by applied expertise and an international approach.

Key facts and content

Programme

Full-time

Duration

3 semesters (for applicants with 210 credit points)

4 semesters (for applicants with 180 credit points)

Start

1 October (Winter Semester)

Structure

The first semester consists of four mandatory courses providing the essential skills in the programme's main areas:

- International Corporate Finance
- Econometrics
- Financial Economics
- Corporate Financial Theory and Policy

In the International Corporate Finance module, students are given a deeper insight into the international issues in corporate finance and the available financial instruments. Financial Risk Management provides the analytical tools for risk management, which has come to play a key role in a range of decision-making processes in modern financial management. Financial Economics deals with price formation and expectation processes in financial markets. The results they provide are a decisive element in applying corporate and capital market financial instruments and methods. Corporate Financial Theory and Policy deals with questions relating to corporate valuation assessment, solutions for investment alternatives, and corporate financing alternatives.

The following electives are offered in the second semester:

- International Accounting
- Financial Risk Management
- Management of International Asset Portfolios
- Business Ethics or other Master courses in the Studium Generale programme

The electives are either closely related to real-life work practices (e. g., Management of International Asset Portfolios) or offer additional skills in other important areas (e. g., Econometrics for Finance or International Accounting), or provide specific interdisciplinary expertise (Ethics). During the third semester, students prepare and submit a Master's thesis and take the final oral exam (oral defence).

Language of instruction

English

Qualification

The Berlin School of Economics and Law awards successful students on this programme the internationally recognised *Master of Science (M. Sc.)* degree. The degree is worth a total of 90 ECTS credits.

Fee

There are no tuition fees on this programme as it is funded through public grants. Students are required to pay a semester fee. The semester fee includes a contribution to the Studentenwerk Berlin, the student representative body as well as the enrolment and administration fee and a semester season ticket for the local public transport systems. Details: www.hwr-berlin.de.

Admission

General requirements

- Bachelor's or equivalent degree
- Evidence of modules in the following subjects on the undergraduate degree:
 - Basic Lectures in Finance and Investment Theory
 - Corporate Finance
 - Macroeconomics
- Applicants with 180 credit points from their undergraduate degree are required to take a semester of work experience (after the theory phase and before graduation) to obtain the missing 30 credit points.
- Excellent English skills equivalent at least to B2 on the CEFR (Common European Framework of Reference)
- CV and letter of motivation in English



Application

Application period

- for applicants with a degree from a German university:
15 April–15 June
- for applicants with a degree from a foreign university:
15 April–30 May

Application documents

Details and application forms are available online at www.hwr-berlin.de.

Applicants with a Non-German degree

Students from abroad have to send their application directly to the “uni-assist” external processing service. Uni-assist then checks that the applications from international students meet the requirements for the programme.

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