THE WISO FACULTY

The Cologne WiSo Faculty, Germany's largest and most reputable faculty of its kind, offers students a vast scope of study fields and specialisations. In line with its mission 'Innovation for Society', it successfully links excellent research with contacts to the corporate and business world, as manifested in the WiSo Faculty's top results in rankings. The central location of the campus and the Faculty's focus on internationalisation, counting over 450 incoming exchange students per year, contribute to the Faculty’s reputation as an ideal place for an exchange term. The Faculty is EQUIS accredited. The University of Cologne was awarded ‘university of excellence’ status by the German government.

The WiSo Faculty offers 7 bachelor programmes (3 years) and 14 master programmes (2 years) including several international and double degree programmes:

Bachelor programmes
www.wiso.uni-koeln.de/en/studies/bachelor

Master programmes
www.wiso.uni-koeln.de/en/studies/master

International Management/CEMS MIM
www.wiso.uni-koeln.de/en/studies/master/international-management-cems-mim

Double Master’s Programmes
www.wiso.uni-koeln.de/en/studies/master/double-masters-programmes/

THE CITY OF COLOGNE

With a diverse population of around 1 million, Cologne is a multicultural and dynamic city. It is home to the fourth-largest trade fair in the world, and over 10,000 IT and telecommunication businesses have strengthened its position as Germany’s ‘media city’. Cologne is famous for its Gothic cathedral, along with a multitude of other historic sites and plenty of green areas. Home to some 90,000 students, the city offers a vibrant night life and a great variety of museums, theatres and art exhibitions. http://www.cologne-tourism.com/

PROCEDURES

Students of the WiSo Faculty’s partner universities need to be nominated by the international office of their home institution for an exchange stay at the WiSo Faculty. Nominations can be submitted via the WiSo Exchange Platform (WEX) during the nomination period. Coordinators are informed about this by email. The ZIB WiSo Incomings Team will contact the nominated student(s) directly by email after the nomination deadline has passed with instructions on how to proceed with their admission and enrolment process.

WSo Exchange Platform:
wex-incomings-wiso.uni-koeln.de

EXCHANGE OPPORTUNITIES

Exchange term (bachelor or master level)
Incoming students have access to all courses offered under the Faculty’s ‘Course offer for incoming students’. These comprise a comprehensive range of bachelor and master courses taught in English as well as a number of bachelor courses taught in German.

CEMS term in English (master level)
The Cologne WiSo Faculty offers high-quality CEMS MIM courses, a diverse offer of business projects and skill seminars, and a highly-rated block seminar for CEMS students. All courses are taught in English.

www.international.wiso.uni-koeln.de

MBA STUDY TOURS

DBi Germany – Doing Business in Germany

The WiSo Faculty offers two intensive 12-day study tours for international (E)MBA students from selected partner universities. The 2018 programmes will take a closer look at the German energy and automotive sectors. DBi Germany combines academic and practical content in a unique fashion and is an excellent opportunity to become acquainted with the characteristics and specificities of German business practices within these dynamic sectors.

www.international.wiso.uni-koeln.de/incoming-students/short-programmes/doing-business-in-germany
ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Class format: Lectures and seminars
Grading: Based on written exams, written papers, project work, oral exams, active participation in class or a combination of the above
Exams: Mostly on the last day of classes, sometimes during the two to three weeks after the end of classes
Course load: Usually 5–6 courses per term (30 ECTS)
Language requirements: CEFR level B2 in English (or German for bachelor)

For the course offer for incoming students, see www.international.wiso.uni-koeln.de/incoming-students/semester-exchange/your-academic-options

SERVICES

International Relations Center – ZIB WiSo
- Online registration and enrolment support starting in November/May
- Registration for courses – courses generally require prior registration; students are informed accordingly
- Comprehensive information on accommodation in Cologne
- Welcome Days: Orientation days in the week before classes, including academic information sessions, guided campus tours and social events
- Buddy Programme: Student ‘buddies’ from Cologne help international students during their stay at the WiSo Faculty and in Cologne

Language courses
Intensive German language courses free of charge in March and in September (limited places available); weekly language courses throughout the term

PIM and CEMS Student and Alumni Club Cologne
The club organises parties, sport events, workshops in cooperation with companies, excursions and regular meetings (Stammtisch)

Corporate contacts
Benefit from the University’s career services, regular workshops in soft skills, guest speeches from industry professionals and courses offered by company executives

UNIVERSITY FACILITIES

The University offers a large variety of sports activities. Most facilities and courses are free of charge and there is a students’ gym on campus. Students have access to numerous dining halls and cafés that have a good price/quality ratio. There is also a wide range of meals, including vegan, vegetarian and organic options (also in the evening during lecture period).

ESTIMATED MONTHLY LIVING COSTS

Housing: € 300–500
Books and class reading materials: € 30
Food: € 170
Leisure activities: € 100–250
Health insurance: approx. € 90 (if home insurance is not recognised)

All students have to pay a social contribution fee of approximately € 260 per term, which includes a semester ticket for all local transportation in the State of North-Rhine Westphalia and contributions to the student sports facilities and the student dining halls.

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STUDY PROGRAMMES AND SHORT PROGRAMMES

For the course offer for incoming students, see www.international.wiso.uni-koeln.de/incoming-students/semester-exchange/your-academic-options

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