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The Cologne WiSo Faculty

FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT, ECONOMICS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES, UNIVERSITY OF COLOGNE

updated: December 2016

TERM DATES

Fall term 2017/18
2 October 2017 to 2 February 2018 (including orientation week)
Exam period until 20 February 2018*
Short term: until 16 December 2017*
CEMS term: 1 September to mid/end December 2017
(Optional late electives: December 2017 to approx. mid-February 2018)
Pre-semester German language course (optional): September 2017
Exchange nomination deadline: 1 May 2017
Application deadline: 15 May 2017

Spring term 2018
9 April to 20 July 2018 (including orientation week)
Exam period until 31 July 2018*
CEMS term: 1 April to approx. 31 July 2018
Pre-semester German language course (optional): March 2018
Exchange nomination deadline: 1 November 2017
Application deadline: 15 November 2017

*For all English-taught courses. For German-taught courses exams may be offered at a later date.

THE WISO FACULTY

The Cologne WiSo Faculty, Germany’s largest and most reputable faculty of its kind, is well-known for offering students a vast scope of study fields and specialisations. The Faculty’s interdisciplinary approach brings together its four disciplines: Management, Economics, Political Sciences and Sociology. 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 WiSo 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 CITY OF COLOGNE

With a diverse population of around 1 million people, 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 multitude of other historic sites and plenty of green areas. Home to some 80,000 students, the city offers a vibrant night life and a great variety of museums, theatres and art exhibitions. On top of this, the Cologne Carnival and the famous ‘Kölsch’ beer brewed only in Cologne make it a special place to be. http://www.cologne-tourism.com/

STUDY PROGRAMMES

Bachelor’s programmes (3 years)

Master’s programmes (2 years)

International Management/CEMS MIM

Double Master’s Programmes
Business Administration (Aalto University, School of Business, Finland – Louvain School of Management, Belgium – Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad – Warsaw School of Economics, Poland)
European Studies (Maastricht University, Netherlands)
Health Economics and Management (Maastricht University, Netherlands)
Demography and Social Inequality (University of Groningen, Netherlands)

EXCHANGE OPPORTUNITIES

Exchange term (bachelor’s or master’s level)
Guest students can chose from the WiSo Faculty’s entire course offer with a multitude of specialisations. The broad offer of English-taught courses enables students to complete a term entirely in English. Exchange students are welcome to also take classes in German or a combination of both.

CEMS term in English (master’s 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.wiso.uni-koeln.de/international.html

SUMMER SCHOOLS 2017

CISU – Cologne International Summer University
7 – 17 August / 21 – 31 August 2017
CISU offers local and international BSc and MSc students an intensive academic summer programme in Economics, Management and Social Sciences combined with cultural and social activities. Students can choose to partake in either one or two sessions of two weeks each to perfectly match their study interest and the schedule of their home institution. www.wiso.uni-koeln.de/cisu.html
Nomination deadline: 31 March 2017

DBI Germany – Doing Business in Germany
Energy Economics: 5 – 16 March 2017
Automotive: 7 – 18 May 2017
The WiSo Faculty offers two intensive 12-day study tours for international (EMBA) students of selected partner universities. The 2017 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.wiso.uni-koeln.de/dbi.html
Nomination deadlines: 15 Nov 2016 (Energy); 31 Jan 2017 (Automotive)
LEARNING EXPECTATIONS

Class format: Lectures and seminars  
Grading: Based on written exams, written papers, oral exams, active participation in class or a combination of the above  
Exams: Last week of the teaching term, mid-term and/or during the two to three weeks after the end of classes  
Course offer: The course offer for incoming students comprises a comprehensive list of bachelor’s and master’s courses taught in English as well as a number of courses taught in German.  
Course load: Usually 5–6 courses per term (30 ECTS).  
Language requirements: CEFR level B2 in English or German

SERVICES

Pre-arrival  
Registration and enrolment support: In November/May online with the ZIB WiSo.  
Registration for courses: Only a limited number of courses require prior registration. Students are informed accordingly.

Arrival  
Language courses: Intensive German language courses free of charge in March/April and in September/October; weekly language courses throughout the term.

Welcome Days: Orientation days in the week before classes, including academic information sessions, guided campus tours and social events.

In Cologne  
Accommodation: The ZIB WiSo office provides comprehensive information on accommodation in Cologne.  
Buddy Programme: Student ‘buddies’ from Cologne help international students during their stay at the WiSo Faculty and in Cologne.

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

Sports: Large variety of sports activities. Most facilities and courses are free of charge and there is a students’ gym on campus.

Dining halls: Numerous dining halls and cafés with a good price/quality ratio and a wide range of meals, including vegetarian and organic (also in the evening during lecture period).

APPROXIMATE MONTHLY LIVING COSTS

Housing: € 300-500  
Books and class reading materials: € 30  
Food: € 170  
Leisure activities: € 100-250  
Health insurance: € 66 (if home insurance is not recognised)

All students have to pay a social contribution 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 students’ sports facilities and the students’ dining halls.

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