

Guide to Admission to the Master's Programme in Economics and Management

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The Faculty Assembly,

based on Article 10 of the Study and Examination Regulations of 24 January 2018 (version dated 1 April 2020) of the Faculty of Economics and Management (StuPO) of the University of Lucerne and the Admission Guidelines of the University of Lucerne,

states:

§ 1 *Swiss academic qualification*

- ¹ Students with a Bachelor's degree in Economics or Management awarded by a Swiss university shall be admitted to the Master's programme in Economics and Management without conditions or obligations irrespective of the chosen specialisation/optional compulsory subjects.
- ² Students with a minor university subject in Economics and/or Management shall be admitted to the Master's programme subject to conditions (modules from the Bachelor's programme in Economics and Management for completion before starting the Master's course) and/or with obligations (modules from the Bachelor's programme in Economics and Management for completion during the Master's course). The conditions and/or obligations are structured to ensure that students have a basic understanding of management, economics and related methods (statistics, mathematics, econometrics) at Bachelor level, and in equal shares.
- ³ Students with a Bachelor's degree in Philosophy, Politics and Economics (PPE) from the University of Lucerne shall be admitted to the Master's programme with obligations. These obligations are structured to ensure that students have a basic understanding of management, economics and related methods (statistics, mathematics, econometrics) at Bachelor level, and in equal shares.
- ⁴ Students with a Bachelor's degree from a Swiss, recognised university from a non-subject-related or non-comparable field of study may be admitted to the Master's programme with conditions, provided that the conditions and obligations do not exceed a total of 60 credits. If conditions are imposed, they must be fulfilled at the beginning of the programme and are understood as preparation for the Master's programme ("Master's preparation" study level). If prerequisites are met, courses from the regular Master's programme can also be attended. However, entry into the Master's programme (i.e. change of study level from Master's preparation to Master's) is only possible after successful fulfilment of the conditions.

§ 2 *Other Swiss qualification*

- ¹ Admission to the Master's programme in Economics and Management with a Bachelor's degree from a recognised Swiss University of Applied Sciences¹ is possible providing the degree is earned in a comparable field of study (at least 60 credits in Economics and/or Management) and the overall Bachelor's degree grade is at least 5.0.
- ² Admission is subject to obligations of between 20 and 60 credits. These obligations are structured to ensure that students have a basic understanding of management, economics and related methods (statistics, mathematics, econometrics) at Bachelor level.
- ³ If more than 60 credits are imposed totally as obligations, the student must complete the corresponding university Bachelor's degree course before starting the Master's programme.

§ 3 *Foreign academic qualification*

- ¹ Admission to the Master's programme in Economics and Management is possible with a recognised Bachelor's degree¹ awarded by a university outside Switzerland if the degree is awarded in a comparable field of study (at least 60 credits in economics and/or management).
- ² Students with a Bachelor's degree from a recognised university in a non-subject-related or non-comparable field of study from countries with which bilateral agreements on the equivalence of degrees in higher education exist (i.e. Germany, Austria, France and Italy) may be admitted to the Master's programme with conditions, provided that the conditions and obligations do not exceed a total of 60 credits (for further provisions see § 1, para. 4). Admission to the Master's programme is not possible with other foreign Bachelor's degrees from a non-subject-related or non-comparable field of study.

§ 4 *Other foreign qualification*

Degrees from non-Swiss Universities of Applied Sciences in countries with which bilateral agreements on the equivalence of degrees in higher education exist (i.e. Germany, Austria, France and Italy), shall be subject to the same provisions as for Swiss Universities of Applied Sciences (cf. § 2). Students with degrees from other non-Swiss Universities of Applied Sciences are not eligible for admission to the Master's programme.

§ 5 *Proof of satisfactory language skills*

- ¹ Proof of satisfactory German language skills is required for admission to the Master's programme in Economics and Management (cf. Admission Guidelines of the University of Lucerne).
- ² Students on the Master's programme in Economics and Management with optional compulsory subjects (General Master) as well as with specialisation in Market-oriented Management or in Applied Data Science may elect to complete the course entirely in English. In this case, the proof of sufficient German language skills can be replaced by proof of sufficient English language skills. The following English language certificates are recognised by the Faculty of Economics and Management and correspond to at least Level C1 according to the scale developed by the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR):

¹ The criteria for the recognition of a diploma and the corresponding university are defined in the Admission Guidelines of the University of Lucerne.

Certificate	Points required / Designation
Cambridge Certificate in Advanced English	CAE
Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English	CPE
TOEFL – internet-based Test (iBT)	100
TOEFL – computer-based Test (CBT)	250
TOEFL – paper-based Test (PBT)	600
IELTS Academic	7

§ 6 *Entry into force*

This Guide shall come into force on 1 January 2019. It shall be published.

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