### Business and Economics in Tübingen

#### The School of Business and Economics

The School of Business and Economics at the University of Tübingen is committed to high-level academic education in both business administration and economics. It features a faculty of 23 professors and about 45 junior researchers, all of which are actively engaged in academic research. Our Bachelor and Master programs mirror the widely respected academic expertise of the faculty. Students gain from courses taught at the frontier of academic research as well as from dedicated tutoring and learning in small groups, with close contact to academic staff.

The School of Business and Economics offers three Bachelor of Science programs and nine different Master of Science programs that allow students to specialize in areas with promising career prospects.

#### Living in Tübingen

The University of Tübingen was founded in 1477. It is one of Germany's oldest and most prestigious academic institutions. Alma mater of influential thinkers like Johannes Kepler and Friedrich Hegel, the University of Tübingen has shaped European intellectual history for more than five centuries and it strives to continue doing so in the future.

Located in picturesque surroundings by the river Neckar, the city of Tübingen offers a uniquely stimulating environment, where great historic tradition and a charming old town meet present day innovation and modern campus life. With a student body of 28,500 and a community of 4,000 scholars, the University of Tübingen and its rich academic tradition are felt in every corner of the city. A large number of international students make it a place of vibrant cultural and intellectual exchange.

In addition to providing an ideal environment for learning and teaching, the city and University of Tübingen also offer a wide range of other activities, ranging from concerts and theater performances to courses offered by the University Sports Center.

### ADMISSION

Admission to the M. Sc. in Accounting and Finance requires a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration or Economics with excellent grades, preferably a degree that amounts to 210 ECTS credits. Students entering with a 3-year Bachelor's degree (amounting to 180 ECTS credits) are required to earn 30 additional ECTS credits in order to obtain a Master's degree. Applicants are expected to have solid intermediate level knowledge in Accounting, Finance and Quantitative Methods (Math and Statistics). In addition, applicants must be fluent in both English and German.

This program is tuition-free.

### DATES

Admission is subject to a competitive selection procedure that includes individual interviews with faculty members. Shortlisted candidates from overseas will be interviewed in a video conference.

Application deadline: May 15

Interviews with shortlisted applicants are scheduled for June. Letters of admission will be sent out by the end of June. The program starts at the beginning of October.

Please refer to our homepgae to find out when we will be holding interviews this year: www.uni-tuebingen.de/en/18185

Do not hesitate to contact us with your questions: master-application@wiwi.uni-tuebingen.de

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# MASTER OF SCIENCE Accounting and Finance

FACULTY OF ECONOMICS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES School of Business and Economics



### The Program

Recent observations clearly underline the need of high-quality education, combining analytical skills in financial risk management with professional knowledge in internal and external accounting. Therefore, this Master program rests on two pillars, Accounting and Finance, featuring an integrated analytical approach to graduate education in these fields.

Knowledge taught in this program is of great importance in several fields of business that rely on risk management and an understanding of how incentives determine behavior of managers within both financial and non-financial firms. In addition, profound knowledge in both Accounting and Finance is necessary in a more general economic context, for instance when coping with the difficult task of regulating financial markets. The scope of our M. Sc. in Accounting and Finance thus reaches far beyond the limits of these two fields of business.

Reflecting the integrated approach of the program, the curriculum requires students to take a minimum of one course from each of the two pillars of Finance and Accounting. This paves the ground for specialization through advanced field courses in either Accounting or Finance. Alternatively, students may choose a more balanced portfolio of advanced courses in both fields. The courses offered cover analytically challenging fields, such as Options and Futures, Advanced Corporate Finance or Managerial Accounting. Other courses focus on institutional aspects pertaining to Corporate Governance and Auditing, or Managing Corporate Taxation. Importantly, the program includes theory and application of empirical methods, such as Advanced Time Series Analysis, as employed in the practice of Empirical Banking or in institutions aiming at international financial stability.

## CURRICULUM



### CAREER



#### The M. Sc. in Accounting and Finance is designed as a 3-semester program, taught according to the European Credit Transfer System. Successful completion requires students to achieve a total of 90 ECTS credits.

The curriculum includes both courses in Accounting and Finance. Compulsory courses are designed to teach important foundations, while field courses allow students to specialize according to their individual interests and abilities. Some of the courses are taught in English. Successful completion of the program also requires a master thesis (24 ECTS credits), written in the third and final term.

	ECTS credits	
	Accounting	Finance
Compulsory studies	9	9
Specialization studies	33-45	
Elective studies	3-15	
Master thesis	24	

#### **Professional career**

Graduates have excellent career prospects across a wide range of fields in financial institutions such as banks and insurance companies, in auditing firms, management consulting, industrial firms and the public sector. They will be attractive candidates for all positions that require institutional knowledge, analytical skills and/or expertise in empirical research.

#### Ph. D. track

Graduates of this program will also find themselves well-positioned for an academic career. If you are interested in continuing your education with a pertinent Ph. D., you may complete your M. Sc. in Accounting and Finance on a Ph. D. track. This effectively puts you on a fast track to a doctoral degree or Ph. D.

Completing this track requires you to obtain 18 ECTS credits from Ph. D. track courses that take students to the frontier of academic research. Moreover, you will need to fulfill the Master thesis requirement by writing an academic paper that may serve as the starting point of your Ph. D. thesis.