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What prerequisites must be fulfilled before I can apply to the Master of Science programme 'Economics and Institutions'?

Please check the 'Factsheet Application' that is available in the download section of the programme website.

What are accepted proofs for English Language skills?

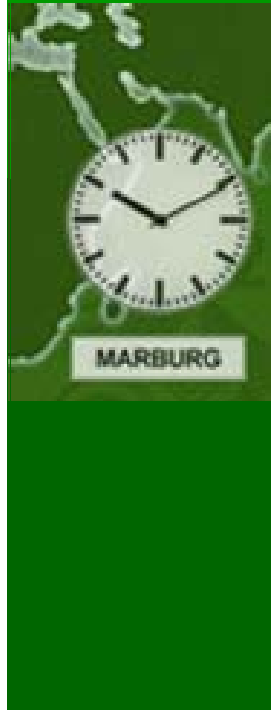
Please check the 'Factsheet Application' that is available in the download section of the programme website as well as the general university website: http://www.uni-marburg.de/studium/bewerbung/sprachnachweise/sprachniveau1?language_sync=1

Are German language skills required?

No German language skills are required for the M.Sc. programme in Economics and Institutions, since all lectures and seminars are held in English. However, proficiency in German will enhance your options in selecting courses as additional electives. Speaking some German may also facilitate your daily life.

Do I have to pay a tuition fee?

In Marburg, there are no tuition fees by law. However, the University charges an administration fee of currently about 265 Euro per semester. This fee includes subsidized meals at the refectory and free public transport throughout Hessen.



Does the University provide any scholarships?

As there are no tuition fees, there are no scholarships provided by the Philipps-University itself. It may be worthwhile to check into the extensive scholarship opportunities provided by the German Academic Exchange Service, DAAD (www.daad.de).

Does the University provide assistance for my DAAD scholarship application?

Upon request, we can issue a so called 'Eligibility Statement' that certifies the respective student's general eligibility for the programme and, in addition, proves contact between the applicant and the Philipps-University. To establish general eligibility, please send a transcript of records to econinst@wiwi.uni-marburg.de.

How do I know whether I submitted all required documents?

You will be contacted by the external service provider *uni-assist* who handles the application process. Normally, you will, within two weeks after the online application and the postal application have been submitted, receive a notice by *uni-assist* indicating whether your application has been accepted and is complete or not. Please note that during peak application periods this can take up to four weeks. Please also check the 'Factsheet Application' that is available in the download section of the programme website in order to avoid incomplete applications.

Why do I have to provide a personal statement along with the other required application documents?

The personal statement serves two purposes. First, it allows applicants to explain why they want to study in a programme focussing on Economics and Institutions rather than, say, a general Economics master; why they think they would fit into such a course, and how completing this programme fits into their future plans. Second, we get an impression of your practical English language skills.

Do I have to submit an APS Certificate?

Applicants from China, Mongolia, and Viet Nam have to submit an APS Certificate. Please contact the local German Embassy for information.

What happens if I cannot submit all required documents in time?

All documents must be submitted to and received by *uni-assist* within the application period. Therefore it is important to take into account that postal mail may require up to two weeks depending on the sender's location. If you are unable to submit a single document in time due to exceptional circumstances, please contact the student advisory service (econinst@wiwi.uni-marburg.de) for further information.

When do I know whether I will be invited to the interview after I submitted the application?



The online application system is available between November 1 and January 15 and between May 1 and July 15 2015. Submitting your application material as early as possible is recommended for international students who require a visa for Germany. The review process by the admission committee will start as soon as your application is online. Within the following six to eight weeks, you will be contacted for an interview per telephone if your application passes the pre-screening.

When do I finally know whether I am admitted to the programme or not?

After a successful pre-screening, we will schedule an interview. Shortly after the interview, final admission decisions will be announced.

Is there any support by the University regarding my visa application?

The University cannot provide direct support in the visa application process. This is the responsibility of the prospective student. If you have received an offer to join the Master's programme, we can issue an admission certificate and send it via email or postal mail to you and/or the respective embassy.