

Introductory Meeting Economics of the Middle East (EMEA)

11 October 2021, 4 – 6 PM

Center for Near and Middle Eastern Studies
(CNMS)



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Facebook of CNMS: <https://www.facebook.com/cnmsmr/>

Additional Contacts

- **Contact information of research groups and professors of School of Business & Economics**

<https://www.uni-marburg.de/en/fb02/research-groups>

- **Contact information of research groups and professors of CNMS**

<https://www.uni-marburg.de/en/cnms/disciplines>

- **Student Advisory Service at School of Business & Economics**

<https://www.uni-marburg.de/en/fb02/studying/course-guidance>

- **Examinations Office of School of Business & Economics**

<https://www.uni-marburg.de/en/fb02/studying/examinations-office>

- **Career Center of School of Business & Economics**

<https://www.uni-marburg.de/en/fb02/studying/career-and-contact-with-practice/career-center>

- **Job Portal of CNMS:** <https://www.uni-marburg.de/de/cnms/centrum/stellenangebote>

- **Job Portal of Uni-Marburg:** <https://www.uni-marburg.de/de/universitaet/administration/verwaltung/dezernat2/personalabteilung/bewerber/stellen>

Basic degree facts

- **EMEA** is organised by the **School of Business & Economics** and the **Center for Near and Middle East Studies** of Philipps-Universität Marburg.

Duration: 4 semesters

Workload: 120 ECTS

Degree: Master of Science, single degree


Location: Marburg; optional semester abroad possible

- The **EMEA studies are governed by ‘study and exam regulations’**.
- You can look up details in the official regulations as per 1 February 2017 (English version);
- **Questions** emea@uni-marburg.de or exam office (<https://www.uni-marburg.de/en/fb02/studying/examinations-office>).

- **Link to earlier slide on exam regulations, keep in mind the following:**
<https://www.uni-marburg.de/en/fb02/studying/examinations-office/exam-management/exam-registration>

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Exam Management

Exam Registration

Exam Schedule & Seating List

Theses

Extraordinary Exams

Utilisation of Calculators in Exams

Exam Registration

Students are required to register for examinations at the School of Business and Economics. This can only be done via the self-service function of the [QIS portal](#), under "Exam registration and deregistration". [An explanatory video can be found here.](#)

Please check immediately after registering that this has been done correctly. If students take part in examinations without registering, their results will not be counted.

News:

- Please see the semester calendar for dates (in the blue menu up top, drop down "studying")

https://www.uni-marburg.de/en

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Philipps Universität Marburg

Studying Research

Welcome to Philipps-Universität

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Welcome to Marvin

Home Bewerbung

Welcome to Philipps-Universität Marburg

This website provides information and services for studying at Philipps-Universität Marburg. During the application periods you can apply for admission to Philipps-Universität via this website. As a student you can, for example, change your contact data. To access these services, please choose your page below or log in with your account.

Marvin – Marburger Verwaltungs- und Informationssystem der Philipps-Universität – will soon provide more services. For further information concerning the iCM project please visit <http://www.uni-marburg.de/icm>.

ICM iCM Project
Further information about the campus management project

iCM News: integriertes Campus-Management



MARVIN trifft ILIAS - Schnittstelle zur Vereinfachung der Lehrorganisation nimmt Probetrieb auf

Message from 11.09.2018 at 16:55 o'clock

Über das Campus Management System MARVIN automatisiert ILIAS-Kurse erzeugen

Marburger Studientelefon



"Marburger Studientelefon"
Please contact the "Marburger Studientelefon" (Stud-i-fon) for questions concerning your studies or application at Philipps-Universität Marburg.



FAQ
In the FAQ-section, you find answers to many questions concerning the application process and studying at Philipps-Universität Marburg (in German).

LSF/QIS-Portal



QIS-Portal
Information concerning your exams can be accessed via the HIS-GX System (QIS).



Access to earlier university course catalogs
The university course catalogs for terms prior to summer 2018 are accessible via the formerly used HIS-GX-system LSF.

Registration for courses

- YouTube Video on functions of **Marvin** (turn on automatically generated English subtitles!):
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3KoZ8afekrs>
- New YouTube Video on functions of **Marvin** (turn on automatically generated English subtitles!):
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vr9GlAX0vpg>
- **Marvin** guide and other information: <https://www.uni-marburg.de/en/fb02/studying/international-programmes/incomings/downloads>
- FAQ for international students: <https://www.uni-marburg.de/en/studying/faq-englisch>
- Information on student accounts: <https://www.uni-marburg.de/en/studying/life-at-umr/practical-infos/internet>

Structure of the EMEA programme

The curriculum is structured into three-levels:

- Study areas
 - Modules
 - Courses

You can find this structure online to plan your courses for each semester on the **MARVIN** portal.

Study areas

There are five study areas plus the thesis. Between brackets are the Workload or ECTS – Total 120.

Introduction to
the MENA
Region
[12]

Economic
Analysis
[12]

MENA
Economics
[30]

Electives
[24]

Specialisation
[24]

Master Thesis
[18]

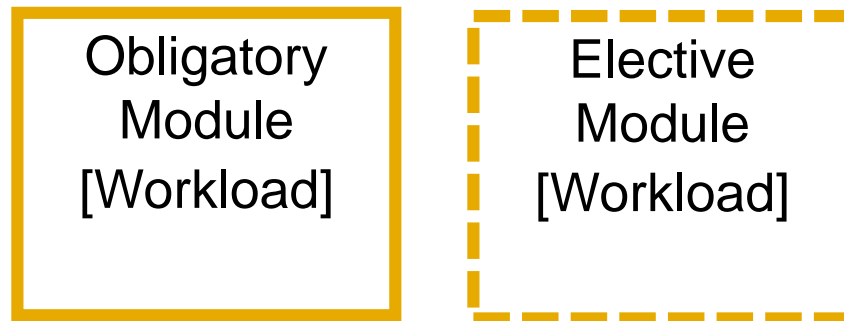
Exemplary study plan

Semester 1	Economies of the MENA-Region [6]	Empirical Development Economics with Reference to the MENA-Region [6]	Empirical Economics [6]	Demographic Transition, Economic Growth & Political Stability in the MENA-Region [6]	Elective Module [6]
Semester 2	Economic Analysis Elective Module [6]	Islamic Finance [6]	Political Economy of Islam [6]	Political Economy of Corruption and Shadow Economy [6]	Political Economy of Oil Rents [6]
Semester 3	Economics/ Business Specialisation [6]	Economics/ Business Specialisation [6]	Elective Module [6]	Elective Module [6]	Elective Module [6]
Semester 4	Economics/ Business Specialisation [6]	Economics/ Business Specialisation [6]	Master's Thesis [18]		
Legend:	Oblatory Modules	Basic	Advanced	Interdisciplinary	[Number of ECTS]
	Elective Modules	Specialisation: MENA Economics	Specialisation: Economics/Business	Thesis	

It is possible to complete your studies in more than the envisaged four semesters.

Study areas and modules

Some modules are obligatory while others can be elected.



Study areas and modules

Introduction to the
MENA Region
[12]

Introduction to the
Economies of the
MENA-Region
[6]

Empirical Development
Economics with Reference
to the MENA-Region
[6]

Study areas and modules

Economic Analysis
[12]

Empirical
Economics
[6]

International
Institutional
Economics
[6]

Theoretical
Economics
[6]

Theoretical
Institutional
Economics
[6]

Study areas and modules

MENA Economics
[30]

Not offered in
the summer
semester 2022!

Demographic Transition,
Economic Growth &
Political Stability in the
MENA-Region
[6]

Political Economy of
Corruption and Shadow
Economy
[6]

Islamic Finance
[6]

Political
Economy of Islam
[6]

MENA Economics
[6]

Study areas and modules

Specialisation
[24]

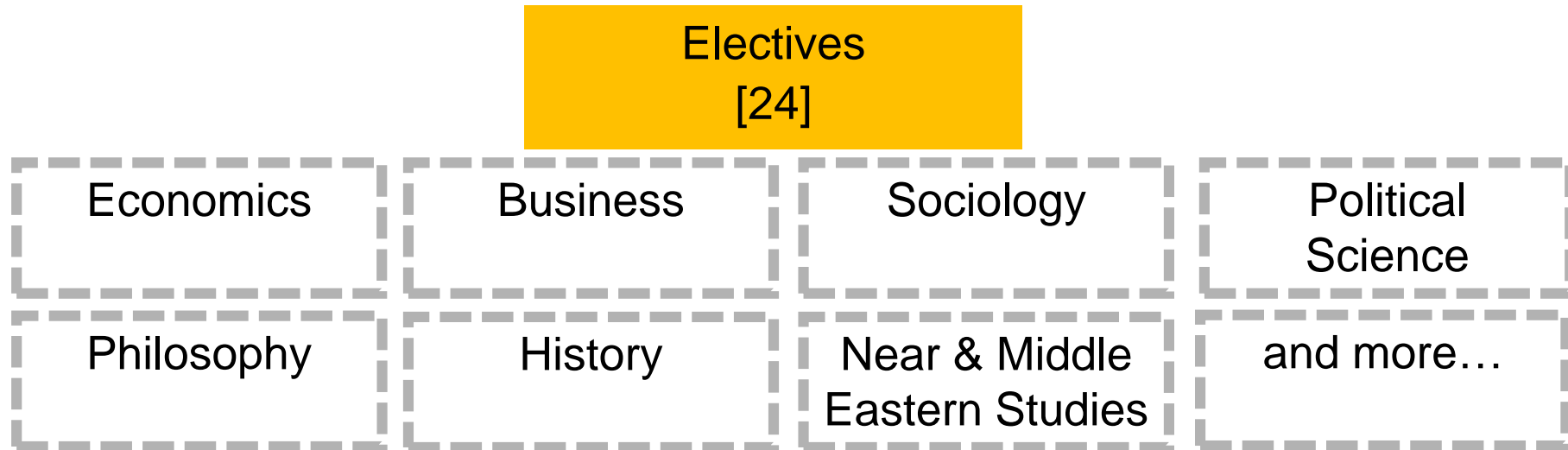
Institutional Economics

Accounting & Finance

Management

- You choose **one specialisation** and **must stay on this track**. A mix of modules between specialisations is not possible.
- **Solution:** You may elect courses from another specialisation than yours in the study area „Electives“.
- There are **many modules** on offer **for each track**. Design a track with your favourite modules to reach the workload of 24 ECTS.

Study areas and modules



- Choose from numerous options in the import module list. Note that other faculties teach courses mainly in German.
- Please respect that faculties have their own rules regarding module/course/exam registration, attendance, assignments, etc.

Study areas and modules

Master's thesis

You have **four months to complete the thesis**. Its focus must be on the MENA region, e.g., case studies or comparative analyses.

To **register the thesis**, you **must have acquired 48 ECTS** in the study areas Introduction to the MENA Region, Economic Analysis, MENA Economics, Specialisations and Electives. You must have passed the module Empirical Economics.

When the time for the thesis approaches, **present your ideas to potential supervisors** and check with them the project's feasibility.

Once you have a supervisor, **approach the Examinations Office** to officially **register your thesis**.

Study areas and modules

Study Areas (bold) Modules (O= Obligatory, E= Elective)		Credits
Introduction to the MENA-Region		12
Economies of the MENA-Region	O	6
Empirical Development Economics with Reference to the MENA-Region	O	6
Economic Analysis		12
Empirical Economics	O	6
International Institutional Economics	E	6
Theoretical Institutional Economics	E	6
Theoretical Economics	E	6
MENA Economics		30
Demographic Transition, Economic Growth and Political Stability in the MENA-Region	O	6
Islamic Finance	O	6
Political Economy of Corruption and Shadow Economy	O	6
Political Economy of Islam	O	6
MENA Economics	O	6
Specialisation Institutional Economics (Module import from M.Sc. Economics and Institutions)		24
Theoretical Economics	E	6
Theoretical Institutional Economics	E	6
International Institutional Economics	E	6
Law and Economics	E	6
Public Economics	E	6
Cooperative Economics	E	6
Seminar on Institutional Economics	E	6
International Economic Policy	E	6
Macroeconomic Policy	E	6
Seminar on Economic Policy	E	6
Specialisation Accounting and Finance (Module import from M.Sc. Betriebswirtschaftslehre)		24
Advanced Management Accounting I: Value-based Management	E	6
Advanced Management Accounting II: Managerial Decision Making under Uncertainty	E	6
Asset Pricing Theory/Capital Market Theory	E	6
Behavioral Finance	E	6
Selected Problems in Banking and Finance/Banking	E	6
Seminar Advanced Management Accounting	E	6
Seminar Empirical Finance	E	6
Seminar Finanzierung und Banken	E	6
Specialisation Management (Module import from M.Sc. Betriebswirtschaftslehre)		24
Business Model Innovation	E	6
Culture, Leadership, and Knowledge Management	E	6
Entrepreneurship	E	6
Management of International Companies	E	6
Strategic Management	E	6
Strategic Management of Technology and Innovation I: Intellectual Property Management	E	6
Strategic Management of Technology and Innovation II: Case Study	E	6
Seminar Innovative Wertschöpfungskonzepte	E	6
Seminar Strategisches und Internationales Management	E	6
Seminar Technologie- und Innovationsmanagement	E	6
Electives		24
Please refer to the list of import modules	E	24
Master's Thesis		18
Master's Thesis	O	18
ECTS SUM		120

Choice of one specialisation

First Semester Courses (recommended)

Obligatory courses

- Empirical Macroeconomics, 6 credits
- Introduction to the Economies of the Middle East, 6 credits (**Video based teaching and online examination for EMEA**)
- Empirical Economic Development with Reference to the MENA region, 6 credits (**Classroom+Streaming via Zoom; On-campus examination**)
- Demographic Transition, Economic Growth and Political Stability in the MENA Region, 6 credits (**Classroom+Streaming via Zoom; examination: Submission of essays+presentations**)
- One elective course with 6 credits. Two courses are offered:
 - Microeconomics
 - Behavioral Economics

First Semester Courses

Alternative course choices are possible

- For example, you could choose an additional module in the area Economic Analysis and defer a module for the study area Electives to a later semester.

Courses in coming semesters

- You can find general information about coming semesters earlier: Research groups list their long term teaching cycle on their website, e.g., [Economics of the Middle East Research Group](#)
- **In the summer semester 2022, Prof. Dr. Farzanegan will have his sabbatical, therefore not all of his courses will be offered.**
- **The course „Political Economy of Corruption and Shadow Economy“ will not be offered and you need to choose a course of 6 ECTS from one of your planned „Specializations“ from 4th semester as a replacement and visit his course in the fourth semester.**
- **This makes it possible to still graduate after 4 semesters.**

	SUSE 2020	WISE 2020	SUSE 2021	WISE 2021	SUSE 2022	WISE 2022
Master Courses						
Political Economy of Islam	✓	X	✓	X	✓*	X
Political Economy of Corruption and Shadow Economy	✓	X	✓	X	X*	X
Political Economy of Oil Rents	✓	X	✓	X	✓*	X
Empirical Development Economics with reference to the MENA	X	✓	X	✓	X	✓
Demographic Transition, Economic Growth and Political Stability in the MENA Region	X	✓	X	✓	X	✓
Islamic Finance	✓	X	✓	X	✓	X

Stay informed about extracurricular events: www.uni-marburg.de/cnms/nadima

NaDiMa Dialogue #1
**Natural Disaster Management:
Lessons from Germany and Iran**

Introduction:
Mohammad Reza Farzanegan, Professor of Economics of the Middle East, Center for Near and Middle Eastern Studies, Philipps-Universität Marburg

Moderator:
Pooya Alaedini, Associate Professor of Social Planning, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Tehran

Speakers:
Alexander Fekete, Professor of Risk and Crisis Management, Institute of Rescue Engineering and Civil Protection, TH Köln
Farzin Fardanesh, Architect & Urban Planner, International Development Advisor

Monday, 27 July 2020, 14:00-15:30 Central European Time
Sign up via link in the description



NaDiMa Dialogue #3
**Droughts, Sand & Dust Storms:
Challenges and Management**

Introduction:
Mohammad Reza Farzanegan, Professor of Economics of the Middle East, Philipps-Universität Marburg

Moderator:
Aliakbar Nazari Samani, Associate Professor in Geomorphology and Soil Erosion, University of Tehran

Speakers:
Christian Opp, Professor for Physical Geography, Philipps-Universität Marburg
Arash Malekian, Associate Professor of Hydrology and Water Resources Management, University of Tehran
Hamidreza Abbasi, Member of scientific board in desert department, Research Institute of Forest and Rangeland, Tehran

Wednesday, 23 September 2020, 11:00-12:30 CET
Sign up via link: <https://adobe.ly/2DB2Jhc>



NaDiMa Dialogue #2
**Earthquake:
Engineering Meets Economics**

Introduction:
Mohammad Reza Farzanegan
Professor of Economics of the Middle East,
Philipps-Universität Marburg, Germany

Moderator:
Mohammad Shahvar
Assistant Professor, Iran Strong Motion Network, Tehran, Iran

Speakers:
Attieh Eshaghi
Assistant Professor, Iran Strong Motion Network, Tehran, Iran
Ilan Noy
Professor of Economics of Disasters and Climate Change,
Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand

Friday, 28 August 2020, 9:00-10:30 CET
Sign up via link in the description



NaDiMa Dialogue #4
**Mitigation & Management of Floods:
Lessons from Iran & Germany**

Introduction:
Tim Krieger, Wilfried Guth Professor of Constitutional Political Economy and Competition Policy, University of Freiburg

Moderator:
Mohammad R. Bazargan Lari, Associate Professor of Water Management Engineering, Islamic Azad University, Tehran

Speakers:
Daniel Osberghaus, Advanced Researcher, ZEW - Leibniz Centre for European Economic Research, Mannheim
Arman N. Dehkordi, Faculty Member, River Engineering and Flood Management, Islamic Azad University, Tehran

Documentary: Water Walls
Introduction by Sudeh Dehnavi, Researcher & Lecturer, TH Köln

**Tuesday, 27 October 2020,
10:00 AM -12:00 PM CET / 12:30-14:30 Iranian Time**
Sign up via link: <https://adobe.ly/2FeOCyV>



Grading & exam regulations

You will receive grades according to the following scale:

- 13-15: Very good
 - 10-12: Good
 - 7-9: Satisfactory
 - 5-6: Sufficient
 - 0-4: Fail
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- In Marburg, **marks** are given within an interval ranging from **0 (lowest level) to 15 (highest level) points**.
 - You have the right to take a **look at your marked exams**, and if you have a potential grading question, you will have the chance to ask the examiners for more clarifications.

Grading & exam regulations

- There are two **exam periods**.
 - First sits are usually held immediately after the lecture period ends.
 - Seconds sits are held towards the end of the official semester.
- You **must register for exams** in order to take them. If you **fail to register** within the registration period, you are **not allowed to sit** the exam.
- Schedules are available on the website of the Examinations Office. (<https://www.uni-marburg.de/en/fb02/studying/examinations-office/exam-management>). And you can find all information on dates of exams for each class in Marvin.

Grading & exam regulations

- Orientation Session and obtaining the TAN lists
 - tba
- **Registration for Exams in WS 2021/22:** 18 October 2021 – 14 January 2022
- **Registration for Re-Sit Exams in WS 2021/22:** 10 March - 14 March 2022 (Depending on the course and the examination method, there might not be a re-sit exam!)
- Check this website for further details regarding registration deadlines <https://www.uni-marburg.de/en/fb02/studying/calendar>

Grading & exam regulations

Failing exams

- It is possible to take up to three re-sits of one exam. Failing the third re-sit exam in an obligatory module (failing 4 times in total in one obligatory module) implies being ejected from the EMEA programme!
- Modules can consist of various exam types, e.g., an essay and an exam. It might be the case that the module grade is an average of the exam and essay grade.

Grading & exam regulations

Contact

Please visit the website of the Examinations Office to clarify simple questions, e.g., regarding exam schedule, registration, etc.

Link: <https://www.uni-marburg.de/en/fb02/studying/examinations-office>

Under „Exam Management“ and then „Exam Registration“ there is also a video (in German) that shows you how to register for exams via QIS/LSF.

In case of **specific and urgent questions**, please contact:

Dr. Regine Reck

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Fax: 06421 / 28 - 24858

reck@wiwi.uni-marburg.de

Re-enrollment

- You will have to **re-enroll** at Philipps-Universität Marburg every semester by paying the semester fee.
- If you reside **abroad during the third semester** you can pay a **reduced enrollment fee.** You must first re-enroll by paying the total fee and then request a refund.

General course organisation

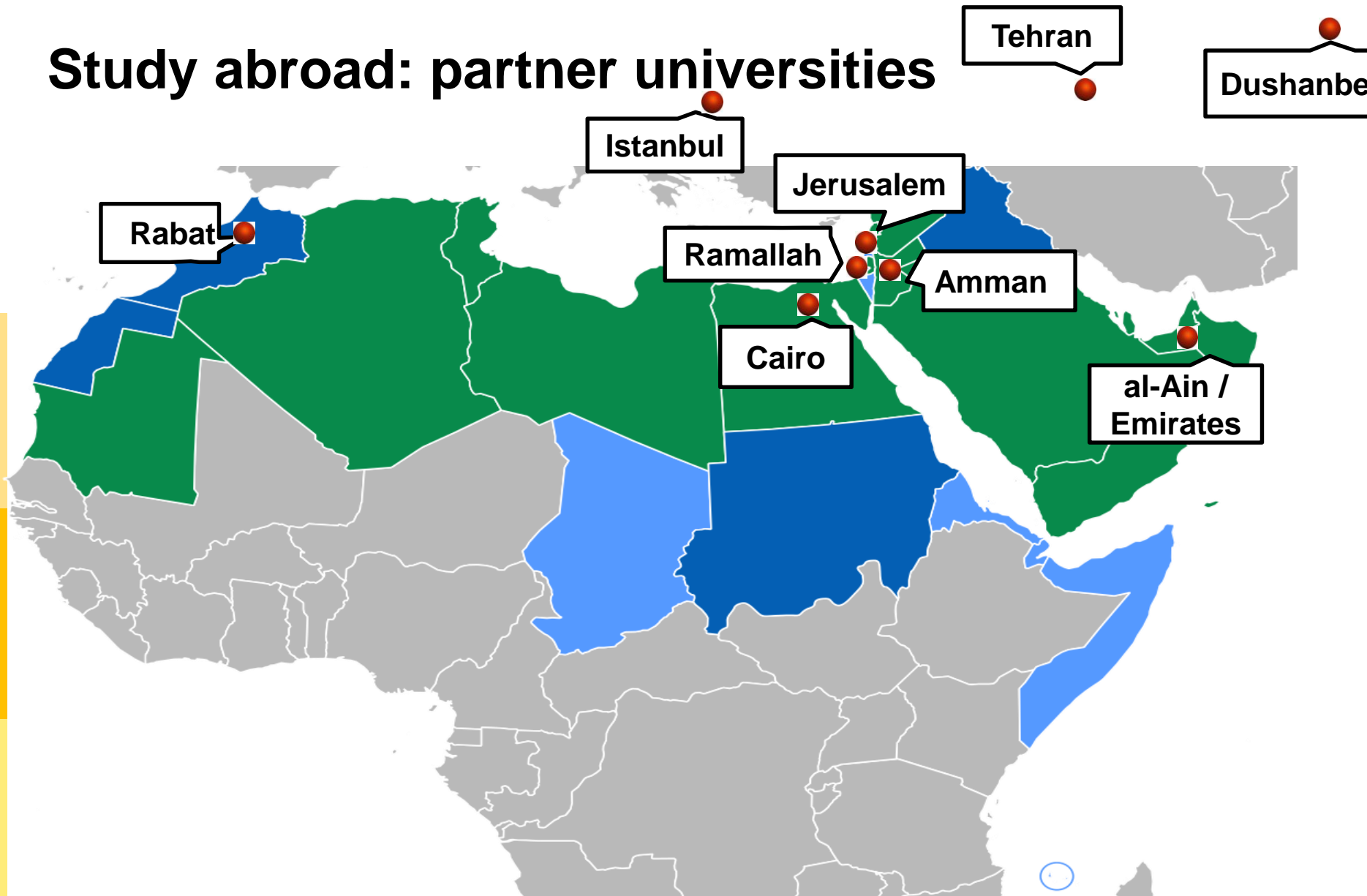
Attending courses

- You should register for **lectures** and **seminars**. **This can be done in the MARVIN Portal (marvin.uni-marburg.de)**
- **Participation** in lectures is **strongly recommended**. In **seminars**, you **are expected to participate** in sessions, especially in block seminars.

Course material and information

- **Course news and material** will be provided via the learning platform **ILIAS**. Registration may be automatic when you register through MARVIN.
- Otherwise, you will need an additional **password to register** for a course, which is normally given in the first lecture.

Study abroad: partner universities



Study abroad: applying for a study place

1. First, take a close look at the **list of Marburg University's partners**:
<https://www.uni-marburg.de/de/international/profil/hochschul-kooperationen/erasmus-partnerunis>
2. Then, contact the International Office (**Ms Binja Homann**) for the application for funding (calculate **7-9 months** for the whole process)
3. After that, pls give notice to **Dr. Tramontini** who will also be available for further advice.

Application for study abroad is competitive since only few places are available!

Contact at the Center:

Dr. Leslie Tramontini

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Study abroad: earning credits abroad

- Approach the Transfer Coordinator **Mr Lawrence Brown** with information about the **contents and workload** of courses that you will study abroad. <https://www.uni-marburg.de/en/fb02/studying/examinations-office/recognition/foreign-credit-transfer>
- The better the match between foreign and EMEA modules, the higher the chances for transferring credits. You can use any EMEA module, including interdisciplinary modules.
- Back in Marburg, you will have to hand in the original transcript to finalise the credit and grade transfer.

Lawrence Brown

Foreign Credit Transfer Coordinator FB02 lawrence.brown@wiwi.uni-marburg.de

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Study abroad: earning credits abroad

- Important Notice:
 - For the semester abroad, it is expected that you complete the equivalent of one semester (at least), which would require 30 ECTS.
 - Since the EMEA Study Guidelines only permit 24 ECTS as electives, you should plan to take at least one course (for 6 ECTS) as part of your specialization during your semester abroad.
 - Alternatively you could continue the missing credits when you return to Marburg, however that may require you to remain beyond the recommended 4 semesters in total for your degree.

Study abroad: Planning reliability

- In certain ways, you will begin your study abroad experience in Marburg...
- The foreign university might release the academic calendar or course programme only on short notice.
- Maybe the only way to get a learning agreement is to leave for the stay abroad and showing-up in person at the partner university.
- Please adjust your expectations and be prepared to experience some frictions. **Gathering information, e.g., from prior exchange students, will help you to anticipate difficult issues and deal with them better!**
- We will provide you with support in case of problems.

Study abroad: Further information

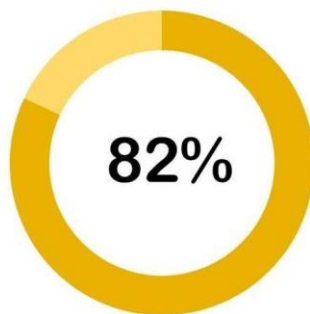
- [Mobility Online Portal](#)
- [List of Erasmus partner universities](#)
- [List of global \(non-EU\) partner universities](#)
- [Erasmus, School of Business & Economics](#)
- [Erasmus+ Partner Universities \(including MENA region\)](#)

Job perspectives

We have traced the careers of approx. half of our graduates (~40).

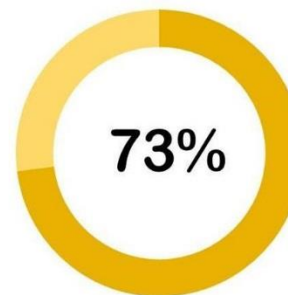
Good news: Most of our alumni did not take long to find a 'proper' job!

Our **alumni** compete successfully for **industry, public sector, and NGO positions**. A notable number of alumni founded their **own business** or entered an **academic track**.



MSc Economics of the Middle East (EMEA)

Share of EMEA alumni who established a career strongly linked to MENA economics and business.



MSc Economics of the Middle East (EMEA)

Share of alumni who found employment within six months after graduation.

Source: GIZ & DAAD alumni survey
www.gamp-online.net/downloads/
12_Alumni_Survey_2014.pdf

General facilities/services

- **German language courses** can be taken in addition to the regular curriculum at the language centre (for a small fee).
- As part of **your electives**, you can opt for **CNMS's language courses**, e.g., in Arabic, Persian, Turkish.
- You can find literature, including electronic literature, and data using the library catalogue **OPAC**.
- **Marvin** allows you to manage your data and to request letters, e.g., to confirm your enrolment and gives information about courses
- **ILIAS** gives you access to course news and materials.

General facilities/services

- The Center for University Sports offers **sports courses** every semester. You can try out the courses during the first week of lectures. Just show up and see if you like it. You can register for a small fee. Note that some courses are highly demanded.
- The **student canteen** (Mensa) and **cafés** offer **affordable** snacks, meals and drinks.
- As a **student**, you can get **discounts** when visiting museums, cinemas, etc.
- Your **student ID** is a generous **flat fee public transportation ticket**. You can make trips to Frankfurt, Heidelberg, Kassel, etc., and use the bus or metro services without further charges.

Thank you for your attendance.

Now we have time for your questions

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