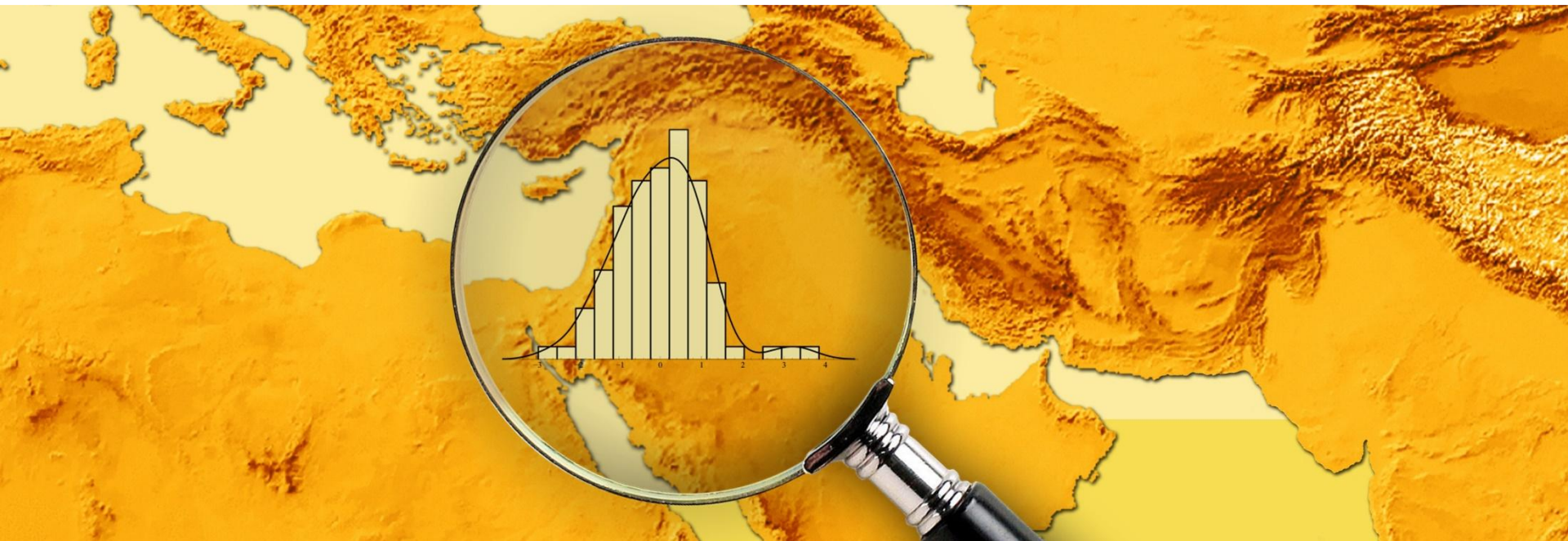


# Introductory Meeting Economics of the Middle East (EMEA)



31 March 2025, 10 – 12 AM

Center for Near and Middle Eastern Studies (CNMS)

# Current figures of Philipps-Universität Marburg at a glance

<https://www.uni-marburg.de/en/university/profile/facts-figures-prizes>

NUMBERS	DESCRIPTION
21,890	students enrolled as of the winter semester 2023-24 (first registration incl. students on leave and in preparatory courses), <i>of which</i>
12,794	female (58.4 %)
9,063	male (41.4 %)
19	other
14	no response
4,764	international students (21.8 %)
2.904	graduations in the 2022 examination year (winter semester 2021-22 and summer semester 2022, not including doctoral degrees)
404	conferral of doctoral degrees in the examination year 2022

# Degree Programs

NUMBERS	DESCRIPTION
199	degree programs (winter semester 2023-24), <i>of which</i>
27	Bachelor's programs
72	Master's programs
8	continuing education Master's programs
1	"Magister" program
21	teacher degree programs for "Teaching at secondary schools" (Lehramt an Gymnasien)
4	"State Examinations" (Staatsexamen) programs
1	program with the degree "Ecclesiastical Examinations" (Kirchliches Examen)

# Employees

(number of people as of December 2023)

NUMBERS	DESCRIPTION
382	professors (incl. University Hospital of Giessen and Marburg, UKGM Dept. MR)
2,032	faculty (incl. professors, excl. UKGM)
1,917	staff (excl. UKGM)
352	part-time faculty
3,999	total employees

## Finances

- 449.4 million € budget (2023), *of which*
- 104.4 million € third-party funding, other research funding and own income

## Organization

- 16 departments
- 12 research centers

The facts and figures are from the years 2021 to 2024.

# Our Team

<https://www.uni-marburg.de/de/cnms/wirtschaft/fachgebiet/personen>

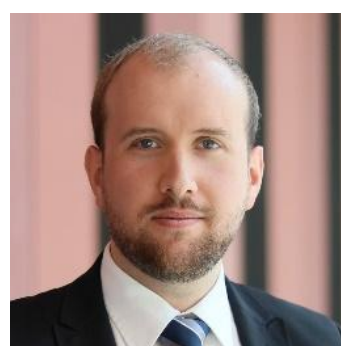
## CNMS | Economics of the Middle East Research Group



**Mohammad Reza Farzanegan**  
(Head of research group)



**Stefanie Braun**  
(Secretary)



**Sven Fischer**  
(Postdoc researcher)



**Mohammad Haroon Asadi**  
(PhD candidate & DAAD scholarship holder)





**Research Interests:**

- Political economy of natural resources
- Economics of sanctions
- Economics of demographic transition
- Political economy of corruption
- Country focus: Iran

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Google Scholar:

<https://scholar.google.de/citations?user=hEBlu8EAAAAJ&hl=de>

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### Teaching

- **Bachelor lectures / seminars:**

- ✓ Political Economy of Middle East (Seminar) (also for MA PoWO). **WS**
- ✓ Quantitative Methods for Political Economy of the Middle (Seminar). **WS**.

- **M.Sc. lectures / seminars:**

- ✓ Empirical Development Economics with reference to the MENA (Lecture). **WS**.
- ✓ Demographic Transition, Economic Growth and Political Stability in the MENA Region (Seminar). **WS**.
- ✓ Political Economy of Oil Rents (Seminar). **SoSe**
- ✓ Contemporary Middle East Economics: Selected Topics (Seminar) **SoSe**
- ✓ Political Economy of Islam (Lecture) . **SoSe**.
- ✓ Political Economy of Corruption & Shadow Economy (Lecture). **SoSe**



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### Research Interests & Publications:

- Political Economy of Natural Disasters, Development Economics, Environmental Economics, Energy and Resource Economics, Regional Development

### Teaching:

- **Bachelor lecture:**

- ✓ Environmental Economics with Reference to the MENA Region (Seminar) (SoSe)
- ✓ Introduction to the Economies of the Middle East (Lecture) (WiSe)

- **Master lecture:**

- ✓ Empirical Development Economics with Reference to the MENA (Tutorial) (WiSe)
- ✓ Political Economy of Corruption and Shadow Economy (Tutorial) (SoSe)

CNMS | Economics of the Middle East Research Group | **Researcher** | **M. H. Asadi**



**PhD candidate (DAAD scholarship holder)**  
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# CNMS | Economics of the Middle East Research Group | **Secretary | Stefanie Braun**



## **Activities (selected):**

- Responsible for administrative issues at Economics as well as Islamic Studies departments at CNMS
- Contact person with students at department
- Logistic support in organization of events, seminars, lectures, exam sessions
- Website administration

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# Further contacts

- Dr. Leslie Tramontini  
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- Mr. Lawrence Brown  
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**Facebook of Research Group:** <https://www.facebook.com/menaecon/>  
**Facebook of EMEA:** <https://www.facebook.com/EconomicChange/>  
**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 **UMR**: <https://www.uni-marburg.de/de/universitaet/administration/verwaltung/dezernat2/personalabteilung/bewerber/stellen/wissenschaftliche-stellen>**

# Additional Contacts



<https://www.uni-marburg.de/en/international/from-abroad/faculty/mobile-researchers>

Home > International > From Abroad > Faculty > Welcome Center for Mobile Researchers

## Welcome Center for Mobile Researchers



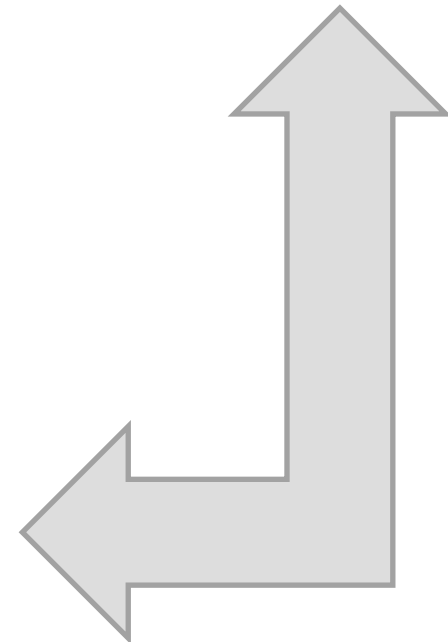
### Practical Information

More details on transportation, medical services, internet access and much more... →



### Welcome Center Guidebook

All relevant information condensed in one guide book →





# The EMEA program

# 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 is possible

- The programme is governed by the study and exam regulations.
- **Latest regulation:** [Version 2024](#)
- You can look up details in the non-official English translation.
- **Questions** [emea@uni-marburg.de](mailto:emea@uni-marburg.de) or [examination office](#)

# 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 in the [MARVIN portal](#).

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

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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 Project  
Further information about the campus management project

Marburger Studientelefon

studifon  
(04423) 28-2222

"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.

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

# Registration for courses

- YouTube video on **Marvin** in English:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3KoZ8afekrs>
- Further YouTube Video on functions of **Marvin** (turn on automatically generated English subtitles!):  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vr9GlAX0vpg> &  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3KoZ8afekrs>
- **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 internet accounts: <https://www.uni-marburg.de/en/studying/life-at-umr/practical-infos/internet>

# Structure of the EMEA programme

## 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  
[18]

Specialisation  
[18]

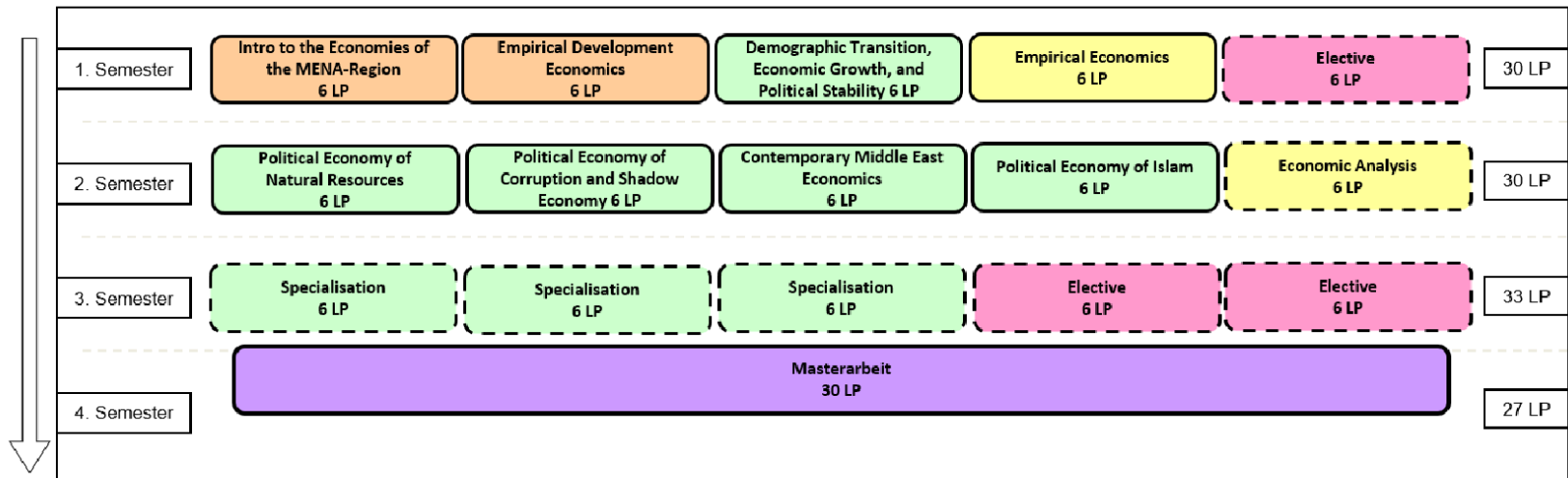
Master Thesis  
[30]

# Structure of the EMEA programme

## Exemplary study plan for start in winter semester

### *Economics of the Middle East*

Exemplarischer Studienverlaufsplan für den **Economics of the Middle East**  
mit Beginn zum Wintersemester



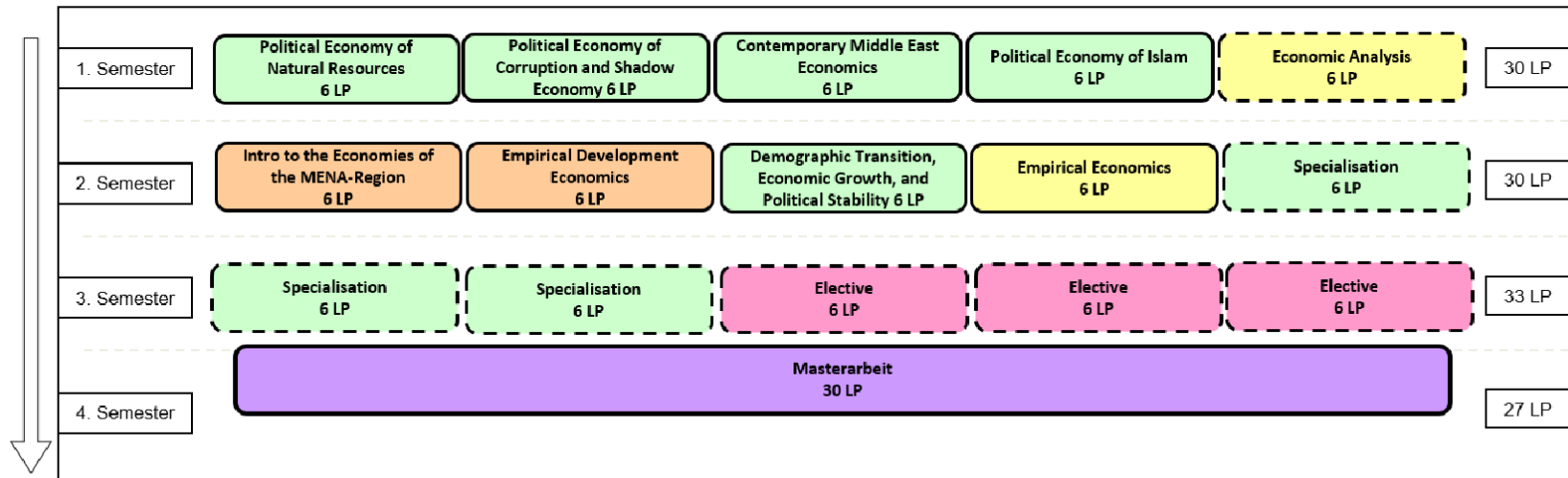
# Structure of the EMEA programme



## Exemplary study plan for start in summer semester

### *Economics of the Middle East*

Exemplarischer Studienverlaufsplan für den **Economics of the Middle East**  
mit Beginn zum Sommersemester





# Structure of the EMEA programme

## Modules



Some modules are obligatory while others can be elected.

Obligatory  
Module  
[Workload]

Elective  
Module  
[Workload]

# Structure of the EMEA programme

## 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]



# Structure of the EMEA programme

## Study areas and modules

Economic Analysis  
[12]



Empirical  
Economics  
[6]



International  
Institutional  
Economics  
[6]



Theoretical  
Economics  
[6]



Theoretical  
Institutional  
Economics  
[6]



# Structure of the EMEA programme

## Study areas and modules

MENA Economics  
[30]



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



Political Economy of  
Corruption and Shadow  
Economy  
[6]



Contemporary Middle  
East Economics  
[6]



Political  
Economy of Islam  
[6]

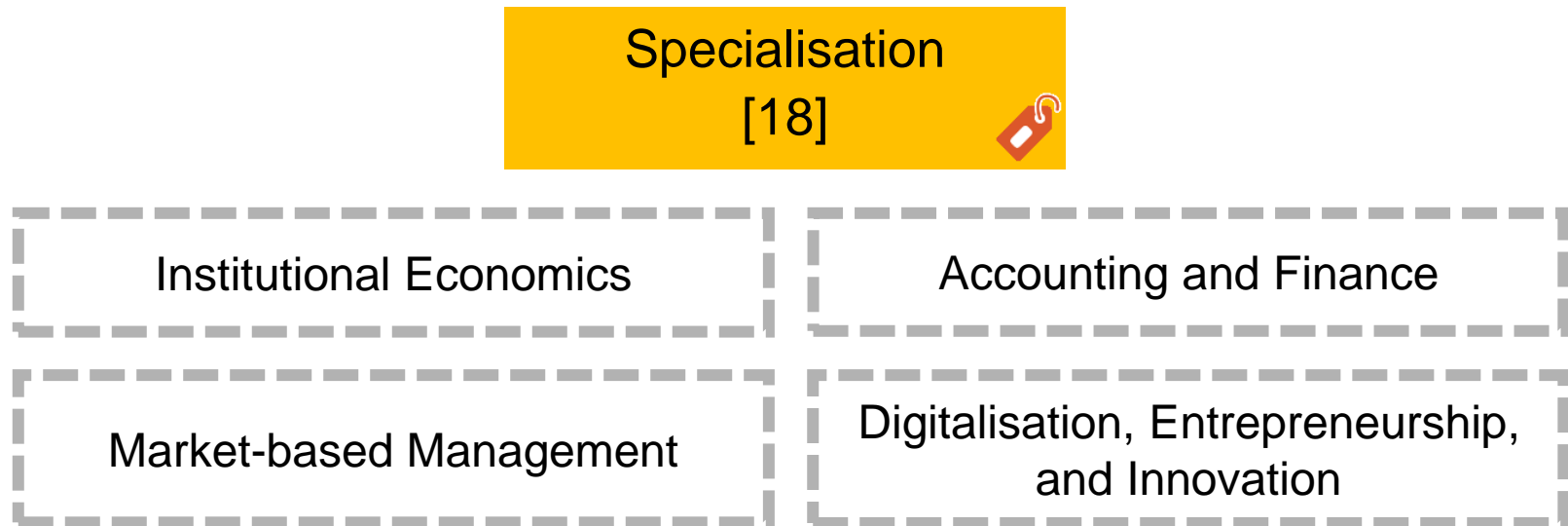


Political Economy of  
Natural Resources  
[6]



# Structure of the EMEA programme

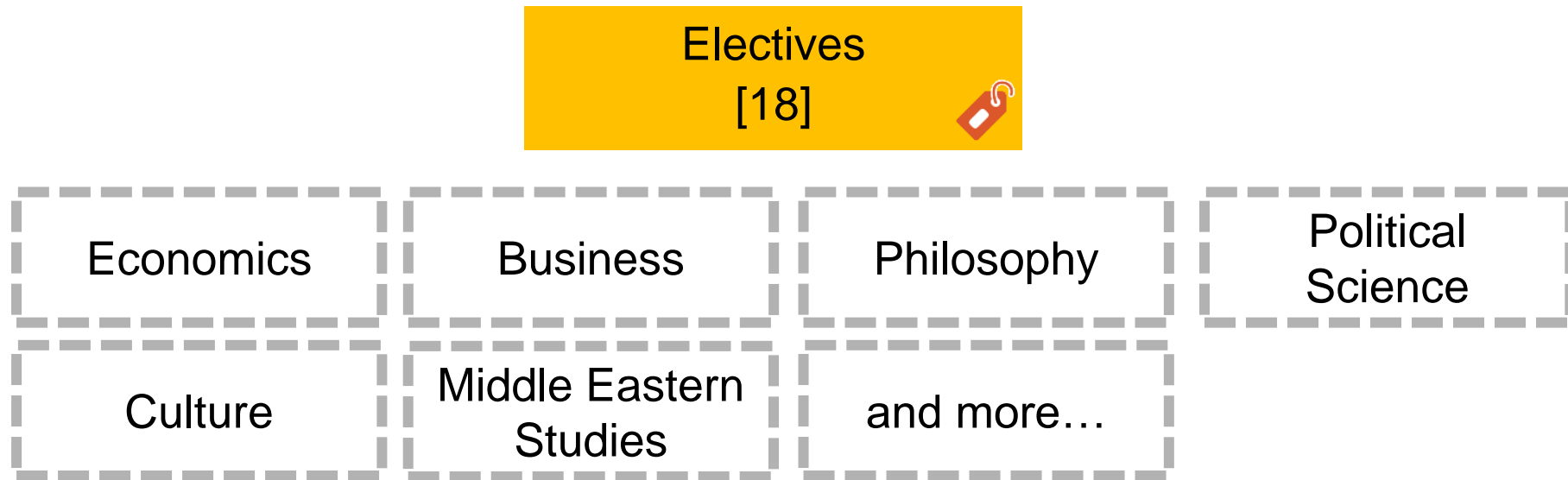
## Study areas and modules



- 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 18 ECTS.

# Structure of the EMEA programme

## 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.

# Structure of the EMEA programme

Master Thesis  
[30]

You have **six months to complete the thesis**. The topic must have a relevance for the MENA region.

To **register the thesis**, you **must have acquired 48 ECTS** in the study areas Introduction to the MENA Region, Economic Analysis, MENA Economics, and Specialisation.

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**.

# Overview of study areas and modules

## Economics of the Middle East (starting WiSe 2024/25)

	Mandatory [PF] / Elective [WP]	Credit Points	Explanation
<b>Introduction to the MENA-Region</b>		<b>12</b>	
Introduction to the Economies of the MENA-Region	PF	6	
Empirical Development Economics with Reference to the MENA-Region	PF	6	
<b>Economic Analysis</b>		<b>12</b>	
Empirical Economics	PF	6	
International Institutional Economics	WP	6	
Theoretical Institutional Economics	WP	6	
Theoretical Economics	WP	6	
<b>MENA Economics</b>		<b>30</b>	
Demographic Transition, Economic Growth, and Political Stability in the MENA-Region	PF	6	
Contemporary Middle East Economics	PF	6	
Political Economy of Corruption and Shadow Economy	PF	6	
Political Economy of Islam	PF	6	
Political Economy of Natural Resources	PF	6	
<b>Specialisation Institutional Economics</b>		<b>0 or 18</b>	
Applied Institutional Economics	WP	6	
Behavioral and Experimental Economics	WP	6	
Development Economics	WP	6	
Economic Policy	WP	6	
Economics of Political Institutions	WP	6	
Empirical Economics	WP	6	
Interdisciplinary Elective Abroad	WP	6	
International Economic Policy	WP	6	

Link for full list: [https://www.uni-marburg.de/en/fb02/studying/study-programmes/masters-program-economics-of-the-middle-east-emea/downloads/emea\\_course\\_overview\\_2024.pdf](https://www.uni-marburg.de/en/fb02/studying/study-programmes/masters-program-economics-of-the-middle-east-emea/downloads/emea_course_overview_2024.pdf)



# Structure of the EMEA programme

## Recommended courses for first semester (**winter**)



- Empirical Macroeconomics, 6 ECTS
- Introduction to the Economies of the Middle East, 6 ECTS
- Empirical Development Economics with Reference to the MENA Region, 6 ECTS
- Demographic Transition, Economic Growth and Political Stability in the MENA Region, 6 ECTS
- One elective course with 6 ECTS
- Alternative course selection is possible, but please keep in mind that not all courses are offered each semester. Therefore, we recommend that you first study the mandatory courses.

# Structure of the EMEA programme

## Recommended courses for first semester (summer)



- Political Economy of Oil Rents, 6 ECTS
- Political Economy of Corruption and Shadow Economy, 6 ECTS
- Contemporary Middle East Economics: Selected Topics, 6 ECTS
- Political Economy of Islam, 6 ECTS
- One course with 6 ECTS from the study area “Economic Analysis”, for example “Microeconomics”, “Economics of Civil and Criminal Law”, or “Microeconometrics”.
- Alternative course selection is possible, but please keep in mind that not all courses are offered each semester. Therefore, we recommend that you first study the mandatory courses.

# Structure of the EMEA programme

## Recommended courses for first semester (summer)



- Islamic Finance, 6 ECTS
- This course can be selected under the “Electives” module and is not mandatory for first semester students, but you can still choose it, if you are interested. It is planned that it will also be offered in the upcoming summer semesters.
- The course is offered as a block seminar and will take place on following dates:  
Block 1: 22.-24.05.2025 & Block 2: 12.-14.06.2025.

# 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

	WISE 2024	SUSE 2025	WISE 2025	SUSE 2026	WISE 2026	SUSE 2027	WISE 2027
<b>Master Courses</b>							
Political Economy of Islam	X	✓	X	✓	X	✓	X
Political Economy of Corruption and Shadow Economy	X	✓	X	✓	X	✓	X
Political Economy of Oil Rents	X	✓	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	✓
Contemporary Middle East Economics: Selected Topics	X	✓	X	✓	X	✓	X
Islamic Finance	X	✓	X	(✓)	X	(✓)	X

# Grading and exam regulations

## Grading System

GRADING POINTS	DECIMAL GRADE	GRADE IN WORDS	DEFINITION
15	0,7	outstanding	outstanding performance
14	1,0		
13	1,3		
12	1,7	good	performance that is significantly above the average requirements
11	2,0		
10	2,3		
9	2,7	satisfactory	performance that corresponds to average performance requirements
8	3,0		
7	3,3		
6	3,7	sufficient	performance meets requirements despite its shortcomings
5	4,0		
4-0	5,0	not sufficient	performance that does not meet the requirements

# Grading and 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
- 
- 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 and exam regulations

- There are usually two **exam periods** per semester.
  - 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. The registration period for FB02 is available on the [website](#).
- Schedules are available on the website of the [Examinations Office](#), and you can find all information on dates of exams for each class in the [Marvin portal](#).

# Grading and 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.

## Re-enrolment

- To be eligible to participate in exams, you must be enrolled in the university. You will have to **re-enroll** at Philipps-Universität Marburg every semester by paying the [semester fee](#).



# Grading and 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>

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

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- 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 organization

## Attending courses

- You should register for **lectures** and **seminars**. This can be done in the **MARVIN Portal** ([marvin.uni-marburg.de](http://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

Liste der internationalen Hochschulk Kooperationen des CNMS auf Präsidialebene

SEIT	HOCHSCHULE
Nov. 2022	ADA University, Baku, Azerbeidjan
Nov. 2021	Baghdad University, Irak
Dez. 2020	American University in Cairo, Ägypten
Sept. 2019	Université de Tunis, Tunesien
Aug. 2019	Universität Basel, Schweiz
Feb. 2019	Ferdowsi University Mashhad, Iran
Jan. 2019	University of Tabriz, Iran
Feb. 2018	Université Marseille/Aix-en-Provence, Frankreich
Sept. 2017	Bahçeşehir University, Istanbul, Türkei
Juli 2016	Aydın University, Istanbul, Türkei
Mai 2015	Tajik National State University, Dushanbe, Tadjikistan
April 2015	Université Cadi Ayyad, Marrakesch, Marokko
Nov. 2014	Université Mohammed VI Polytechnique, Rabat, Marokko

# Study abroad: partner universities

Juli 2014	University of Jordan, Amman, Jordanien
Juli 2014	German-Jordanian University, Amman, Jordanien
April 2014	Cairo University, Ägypten
Jan. 2014	Shiraz University, Iran
Juli 2013	Helwan University, Kairo, Ägypten
Juli 2013	Qatar Faculty for Islamic Studies, Hamad Bin Khalifa University Doha, Qatar
März 2013	Hebrew University Jerusalem, Israel
Nov. 2012	Mohammed V – Agdal University, Rabat, Marokko
Nov. 2011	Teheran University, Iran
März 2011	Ain Shams University (ASU), Kairo, Ägypten
Juli 2010	United Arab Emirates University (UAEU), al-Ain, Vereinte Arabische Emirate
Juni 2007	Damascus University, Syrien (momentan nicht aktiv)
<b>Internationale Kooperationen des CNMS auf Institutsebene</b>	
Aug. 2013	Moshe Dayan Center, Tel Aviv University, Israel
Seit 2011/12	Yıldız Teknik Üniversitesi und Yeditepe Üniversitesi, Istanbul, Türkei
Okt. 2011	Faculty for Political and Economic Sciences (FEPS), Cairo University, Ägypten
Juli 2009	Azhar University, Kairo, Faculty of Languages and Translation, Ägypten

# 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/en/international/profile/networks/partneruniv-erasmus>
2. Then, contact the International Office for the application for funding (calculate **7-9 months** for the whole process)
3. After that, please 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**

Room 00A46, Deutschhausstraße 12

06421 282 4946

[tramont@staff.uni-marburg.de](mailto:tramont@staff.uni-marburg.de)

# 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](mailto:lawrence.brown@wiwi.uni-marburg.de)

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06421 282 3185

# 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 18 ECTS as electives, you should plan to take at least two courses (for 12 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.

# Job prospects and further information

## — Alumni Career Statistics

Altogether, there are **96 alumni** from more than **ten** different countries; **46 per cent of them are women**. Our graduates work in professionally-advanced positions as **analysts, managers, and researchers** with reference to the MENA region. Part of the alumni continue their studies in form of a PhD.

Evaluation of 75 students in our alumni network in 2021 revealed that:

- 89.6 % of graduates were able to find a job within one year of graduation.
- 9 % continued studying a PhD programme after graduation.
- graduates can be found in many sectors such as consulting (40.3 %), finance (17.9 %), academia (13.4 %), ministries (11.9 %), as well as different other industries (13.4 %).

According to an alumni survey in 2013:

- 73% of alumni found employment within six months after graduation.
- 82% of alumni established a career strongly linked to MENA economics and business.
- 94% of alumni would recommend the programme to a friend or colleague.

Source: GIZ/DAAD (see [Sponsors](#)) alumni survey for the German-Arab Master's programmes (GAMP).

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- There is further information on the life in Marburg available on the website of Philipps-Universität Marburg (including regulation on how to work during your studies): <https://www.uni-marburg.de/en/studying/life-at-umr/work>
- Similar information on working in Germany is also available on the website of German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD): <https://www.daad.de/en/studying-in-germany/work-career/side-jobs/>

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- **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.

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- 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.

# Accommodation in Marburg

- Basically, there are two accommodation types, which have important differences in terms of the EMEA service and support offered:
- **1. Private accommodation** is offered by actors on the private housing market. Incoming EMEA students can search the private housing market by themselves. No service or support can be offered with private accommodation by the EMEA Team.
- **2. Public accommodation** is provided by the student union of Marburg (Studierendenwerk Marburg). You must apply for public accommodation online on the website of the Studierendenwerk: <https://studierendenwerk-marburg.de/en/living/online-application/> . The waiting time for a place in the dorm can be 6-12 months. Nevertheless, you should apply and follow-up regularly. Sometimes you might get a place after a couple of weeks.

**Thank you for your attendance.**

**Q&A**

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