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SBE Mission Statement
SBE advances research and teaching in the fields of business, economics and information systems for a livable world. We do this by carefully mediating and balancing a diverse set of goals and orientations:

I. TEACHING AND RESEARCH
SBE provides a complex learning, teaching and research environment for students, staff and faculty, which is characterized by the appreciation of academic values, mutual respect, collegiality, individual and common responsibility, and professionalism. Our education mission addresses the entire person and the ideal of “Bildung”, combining responsible education and development of personality. We are committed to the Humboldtian ideal of the unity of research and teaching. All professors research and teach; teaching is research led and in turn provides feedback for research.

II. RIGOR AND RELEVANCE
We aim for academic rigor, which is the basis for the quality of our research, and research contributions that are relevant for governments, firms and market participants. We meet the challenge the complexity and the dynamic of problems in modern societies with engaged scholarship based on thorough methodological and theoretical training with a generalist and interdisciplinary orientation.

III. TRADITION AND DYNAMIC DEVELOPMENT
Based on the idea of a social market economy, which was coined after WWII by a former professor of SBE, we strive for an economy that serves society. We see ourselves as members of a global society and acknowledge our obligation to act responsibly and educate the students accordingly. We are grounded in a tradition that enables us to productively engage with our environment. It allows us to benefit from the opportunities for interdisciplinary exchange, learning, and collaboration in the spirit of innovation and continuous improvement.

IV. FOCUS ON THE REGION AND THE WORLD
As a dedicated and active part of the University of Münster, SBE is rooted firmly in the beautiful city of Münster, actively involved in projects for the region and its industry. SBE operates as an active node in German, European and international networks. It systematically engages with the global academic community and with partners from industry and practice at large.

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We reserve the right to make changes.
Degree Programs

The School of Business and Economics was one of the first schools in Germany to offer internationally recognized undergraduate and graduate programs in accordance with the European Bologna Process. The programs in Münster give students a comprehensive education in a shorter time frame. The Bachelor’s degree is designed for students interested in a career in industry, politics, or administration, while the Master’s degree is recommended for those who prefer to pursue an academic career.

The university programs have a strong practical focus and are enhanced by guest lecturers from the business community, a variety of course offerings, and assigned project work.

Bachelor’s and Master’s degree programs are structured into modules. Students may specialize by choosing elective courses concentrating on a specific group of related subjects. All programs contain core and elective courses, praxis-related seminars and a final thesis.

The school offers the following degree programs:

**Undergraduate (180 ECTS, 3-year program)**
- Bachelor of Science in Business Administration
- Bachelor of Science in Economics
- Bachelor of Science in Information Systems
- Bachelor of Science in Economics and Law
- Bachelor of Arts in Politics and Economics
- Bachelor of Arts in Economics (joint degree with other subjects)

**Graduate (120 ECTS, 2-year program)**
- Master of Science in Business Administration
  *Due to the major/minor structure, students specialize in the fields of Accounting, Finance, Management or Marketing.*
- Master of Science in Economics
- Master of Science in Information Systems
- Master of Science in Public Policy

A wide range of classes at the School of Business and Economics is regularly taught in English at both the Bachelor’s and Master’s level. We consider it as our responsibility to provide our students with profound knowledge of English as the common business language. Hence, we are able to offer a wide choice of courses for our incoming exchange students in English.

**Doctoral Programs**

The faculty is committed to training young academics. Our professors offer qualified graduates the opportunity to earn a Ph.D. in Business Administration, Economics, or Information Systems. The school confers Ph.D. degrees to about 40 doctoral students per year, most of whom pursue a professional career after graduating.

**Institutional Grading Scale**

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<th>WWU Grade</th>
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**International Degree Students**

Bachelor’s degree seeking students have to meet the requirements for the German study admission. This entails a university entrance qualification in the form of an appropriate school-leaving certificate from a foreign school. Additionally, a proof of adequate language proficiency is required for most of the study programs.

To enroll for a Master’s degree an appropriate university degree is needed. Degree programs often have specific admission requirements: Please check whether the Master degree program you wish to apply for has additional specific admission requirements.

[www.uni-muenster.de/international](http://www.uni-muenster.de/international)
International Exchange Students

Students interested in an exchange at the School of Business and Economics should contact their home coordinator. The school mainly accepts exchange students nominated by its partner universities. Upon nomination, students will receive a link to the online application.

Application Deadlines

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<th>Semester</th>
<th>Fall Semester</th>
<th>Summer Semester</th>
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<td>ERASMUS students</td>
<td>June 1</td>
<td>December 1</td>
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<td>Non-EU students</td>
<td>April 1</td>
<td>October 1</td>
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All nominations including student’s name, email address, gender and level of study should be sent to admin.ess@uni-muenster.de.

Contact Person
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General Information

Exchange students are provided with support services before and during their stay at Münster. This includes pre-information, a mentoring program, and a welcome week as well as a colorful semester program. Exchange students are supposed to be integrated into Münster’s every-day student life.

Academic Calendar 2018/19

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<th>Semester</th>
<th>Exchange Students’ Orientation Week</th>
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<td>Summer</td>
<td>approximately Apr 3 – Apr 6, 2018</td>
<td>Apr 9, 2018</td>
<td>May 19 – May 25, 2018</td>
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Fall Semester 2018/19

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The school’s University Partner Network

The School of Business and Economics offers diverse, regularly scheduled exchange programs with partner universities throughout the entire world. Students can apply for exchange places at about 100 partner institutions. The International Relation Center continually works to expand the offer of the exchange programs.

Our partner selection process follows specified selection criteria to ensure a high quality of our partner network. Currently, the school maintains partnerships with excellent universities in 38 countries on all five continents. www.wiwi.uni-muenster.de/international
Münster

Owing to its many young people, its academic institutions, and its diverse and exciting cultural offerings, Münster has a unique atmosphere. Bicycles are the main means of transportation in the city and contribute to its pleasant environment. Visitors enjoy travelling to Münster because of its historic city center, large open spaces, and numerous cozy cafés and bars. This captivating and inviting university city features an especially youthful atmosphere and collegiate charm.

Parks lend themselves to various activities, adding to the excellent quality of life in the Münster region. Lake Aasee – located next to the city center - is ideal for strolling, having a picnic, jogging, and sailing. Münster has a lot of cultural offers: its many museums, theaters, cinemas, pubs, and festivals ensure variety and entertainment.

Germany – A Top Destination for International Students

Germany, a European country with nearly 82 million residents, thrives as an influential economic leader, a center of flourishing industry, and a source of innovative research and development. The capital, Berlin, is the nation’s largest city and is emerging as a major, modern world metropolis.

Germany is number one for international students! The resources for international students are excellent, as evidenced by the many English language courses and the global focus of the universities. Additionally, in Germany students do not have to pay tuition, and international students are charged the same reasonable administration fees as native students.

The University of Münster (WWU)

The city is your campus

The facilities of the University of Münster are spread all over the city. The main buildings of the School of Business and Economics are located right in the center of the city, whereas the department of Information Systems is housed at the ultra-modern Leonardo campus.

International Office

The school’s International Relations Center (IRC) cooperates closely with the university’s main International Office. Its Exchange Student Service (ESS) provides exchange students with all admission-related issues and organizes the semester program with lots of cultural and social events.
www.uni-muenster.de/InternationalOffice

Career Services

The university puts a strong emphasis on the integration of theoretical education and praxis. Therefore, the university’s Career Service provides students with workshops, internship platforms and guidance regarding job applications. These services are available for all WWU students. At the school level, the Career Development Center (CDC) offers business-specific services and many types of support to prepare students to launch successful careers upon graduation. Consequently, the CDC organizes a yearly career fair, BusinessContacts Münster, which is open to all students.

WWU Facts and Figures: 2016

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