



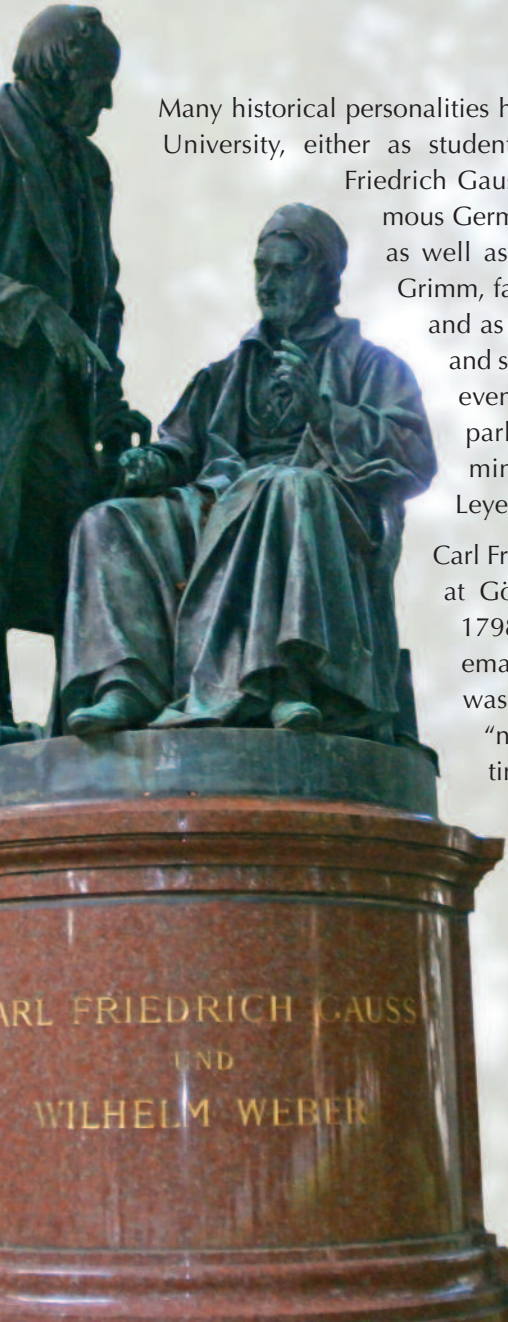
GEORG-AUGUST-UNIVERSITÄT  
GÖTTINGEN



# STUDYING AT THE FACULTY OF ECONOMIC SCIENCES

Information for International Students

# Did you know?



Many historical personalities have been affiliated with Göttingen University, either as students or professors, including: Carl Friedrich Gauss; Count Otto von Bismark, a famous German chancellor in the 19th century; as well as the brothers Jacob and Wilhelm Grimm, famous for their fairytale collections and as the founders of German philology and studies; to name a few. Additionally, even current members of the German parliament, and the present federal minister of defence, Ursula von der Leyen, studied in Göttingen.

Carl Friedrich Gauss (1777–1855) studied at Göttingen University from 1795 to 1798. At the age of only 30, this mathematician, astronomer and physicist was appointed as the director of the “new” University Observatory at Göttingen. He lived there until his death, conducting research in the fields of mathematics, astronomy, physics, geodesy, and geophysics. Together with physicist Wilhelm Weber, Gauss developed the first electro-magnetic telegraph in 1833. The telegraph line above the rooftops of Göttingen connected the two scientists' workplaces, improving their communication and joint research.

# About the Faculty of Economic Sciences

Economics has always played a key role in research and teaching at the university, ever since it was founded in 1737. Today, the Faculty of Economic Sciences is one of the largest and most diverse economic faculties in Germany with more than 4,500 enrolled students. It consists of more than thirty professors teaching and researching in the fields of economics, business administration, business information systems, and statistics/econometrics.

Whilst the Faculty of Economic Sciences houses diverse research activities, each department shares a common interest in one of the following three research areas: Compliance and Governance, Marketing and Consumer Science, as well as Global Change and Development. These core research areas embody a wide variety of topics that stimulate discussion both within and beyond Economic Sciences.

The Faculty offers five bachelor and ten master degree programmes, with a constantly increasing number of English taught modules. The programme duration for our bachelor programmes is six semesters. Master programmes are completed in four semesters.



Our Faculty has exchange programmes with universities across the globe. Under the European Commissions' Erasmus programme, students can elect to study at over 60 universities within Europe. Additional exchange programmes are available with Australia, Thailand, China, Japan, South Korea, Indonesia, Latin America, Russia, Ukraine, South Africa, the West Indies and the United States. Over 480 international students are enrolled in our study programmes.

# Georg-August-Universität Göttingen

Founded in 1737, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen is an internationally acclaimed university with a strong research driven teaching focus. It bears the name of its founder Georg August, King George II of Great Britain, Elector and Duke of Brunswick-Lüneburg, (Hannover).

Göttingen University regards its great research tradition and subject diversity one of its many strengths. Almost all academic disciplines including medicine are represented in the 13 faculties, the exception being engineering sciences. The University is also renowned for its integrated network



*The "Great Hall" assembly building was donated by King William IV of Great Britain and Hanover and was inaugurated on the occasion of Göttingen University's centenary celebrations in 1837. Today it is used for example for festive events such as the graduation ceremonies of the Faculty of Economic Sciences.*

of first class external research establishments, such as, the Göttingen Academy of Sciences, the German Primate Center, the German Aerospace Center and five Max Planck Institutes. Together with these local partners an alliance has been formed, which remains relatively unique throughout Germany.

Göttingen University has repeatedly been able to attract the "best minds" over the course of its 275-year

history. In addition, they have also been responsible for laying the foundation of the universities' international reputation. The name of our university is connected with the résumés of more than forty Nobel prize winners. Fourteen of them have been awarded the Nobel prize for the very research conducted during their time in Göttingen. The latest being Stefan W. Hell who won the Nobel prize in Chemistry in 2014.

# Welcome to Göttingen – City of Science and more!



Göttingen is located in the heart of Germany, in the south of the State Lower Saxony, and is one of the country's oldest universities and student cities: “Göttingen does not have a university; Göttingen is a university” – or so

it has been said for the past 275 years. Indeed, with over 31,500 students from a population of approximately 120,000 residents, the city is characterized by a creative and unique atmosphere. The city is lively, young, and everything is near by. Thanks to its cosmopolitan and international flair, the city is anything but provincial. The University alone hosts over 3,700 international students from 120 countries.

In addition to the vibrant academic community, Göttingen has a lot to offer in terms of social activities: there's something for everyone. The city boasts numerous theatres (including two cinemas), sports and cultural associations, a symphonic orchestra as well as beautiful surroundings. Additionally, there are numerous cultural offerings (some of which are available at discounted prices using the arts and culture ticket provided as part of the semester fees). Numerous street cafes, pubs, bars, discos, and even student parties in the foyer of the main lecture hall provide Göttingen with a vibrant nightlife.

The city also provides an ideal setting for maintaining a healthy and active lifestyle. Not only is it common and widely popular with students to cycle everywhere, but the University Sports Centre also caters to virtually every imaginable sporting need from aikido to yoga. In total, there are approximately 100 fitness activities to choose from.



# Study programmes of the

The Faculty of Economic Sciences offers an excellent international study environment for students coming from outside of Germany regardless if they plan on completing their entire degree in Göttingen or only visiting for a semester abroad.

Our Faculty offers five bachelor and ten master degree programmes. For students interested in completing their entire degree in Göttingen, we offer an entirely English-language master's degree in Development Economics. All other study programmes require German language skills but include a constantly rising number of English language modules.

## **Study programmes of the Department of Business Administration**

- ▶ Bachelor's programme in Business Administration
- ▶ Bachelor's programme in Business Information Systems
- ▶ Bachelor's programme in Business and Human Resource Education
- ▶ Master's programme in Finance, Accounting, and Taxes  
(option for double degree with the University of Ghent, Belgium)
- ▶ Master's programme in Marketing and Channel Management
- ▶ Master's programme in Management
- ▶ Master's programme in Business Information Systems
- ▶ Master's programme in Business and Human Resource Education
- ▶ Master's programme in Taxation (Cooperation between the Departments of Business Administration and Economics)
- ▶ Master's programme in Global Business (International programme with an extensive number of English taught courses; option for double degree with the University of Nanjing, China; intended commencement date in 2018/2019 winter semester)

# Faculty of Economic Sciences

## Study programmes of the Department of Economics

- ▶ Bachelor's programme in Economics
- ▶ Two-subject bachelor's programme in Economics
- ▶ Master's programme in International Economics (option for double degree with the University of Groningen, the Netherlands)
- ▶ Master's programme in Development Economics (English-language programme; option for double degree with the University of Stellenbosch, South Africa)
- ▶ Master's programme in Applied Statistics
- ▶ Master's programme in Economic and Social History



# Courses in English

The Faculty of Economic Sciences offers numerous English-language courses for short-term visitors and exchange students for both undergraduate and postgraduate students across all study programmes.

Every semester we offer at least 30 ECTS credits worth of courses in business administration and economics for both bachelor and master students. The majority of courses offered in English for the business administration department (Bachelor and Master) are held from October to December and from April to July, in order to align with university calendars from abroad. In addition, international researchers and scholars, who also offer courses in English, are regularly hosted by the Faculty. Thus, international students are perfectly able to spend a semester abroad in Göttingen.





## **Modules in English offered in Business Administration**

*Offered every winter semester (October-December)*

### **Bachelor level**

- ▶ Global Virtual Project Management (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Seminar Corporate Valuation (6 ECTS)
- ▶ International Marketing (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Logistic Management (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Company Taxation in the European Union (6 ECTS)

### **Master level**

- ▶ Entrepreneurship I (6 ECTS)
- ▶ International Human Resource Management (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Seminar Strategic Human Resource Management (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Sustainable Production (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Consumer Science & Public Policy (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Seminar Crucial Topics in Information Management (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Change & Run IT (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Pricing Strategy (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Modeling and System Development (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Financial Risk Management (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Business Intelligence and Decision Support Systems (6 ECTS)
- ▶ International Business (6 ECTS)  
(expected to start during winter term 2018)

# Courses in English

*Offered every summer semester (April-July)*

## **Master level**

- ▶ Entrepreneurship II (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Seminar Human Resource Management (HRM) (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Cross-Cultural Management (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Corporate Development Tutorial (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Change & Run IT (Lecture) (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Analysis of IFRS Financial Statement (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Tax Transfer Pricing (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Risk Management and Solvency (6 ECTS)
- ▶ International Organisational Behavior (6 ECTS)



**In addition to these modules**, the Faculty offers a variety of **English-language courses** that change every semester (Bachelor and Master level):

Department of Business Administration

### **Bachelor level**

- ▶ Company Taxation in the European Union (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Asian Business and Economics (6 ECTS)
- ▶ International Business (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Corporate Financial Management (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Selected Issues in Corporate Governance (6 ECTS)

### **Master level**

- ▶ Pricing Strategy + Practical (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Survey Research (6 ECTS)
- ▶ International Management Research (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Doing Business in Asia (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Banking Supervision (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Discrete Choice Modeling (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Seminar: Customer Value Management (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Electronic Commerce Systems (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Corporate Development (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Cross-Cultural Management (6 ECTS)
- ▶ International Management (6 ECTS)

# Courses in English

## Modules in English offered in Economics

*Offered every winter semester (Selection)*

### Bachelor level

- ▶ Aspects of European Integration (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Topics of Urban Economics (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Various economics-related seminars are offered in English

### Master level

- ▶ Empirical Trade Issues (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Deep Determinants of Growth and Development (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Advanced Microeconomics (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Development Economics I (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Development Economics III (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Special Interests Politics (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Poverty and Inequality (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Open Economy Macroeconomics (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Behavioral Economics: Theory and Experimental Methods
- ▶ Finance and Development (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Various economics-related seminars are offered in English

*Offered every summer semester (Selection)*

### **Bachelor level**

- ▶ Aspects of European Integration (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Introduction to Stata (6 ECTS)
- ▶ International Economic Policy (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Various economics-related seminars are offered in English

### **Master level**

- ▶ Development Economics II (6 ECTS)
- ▶ European Economy (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Panel Data Econometrics (6 ECTS)
- ▶ International Trade (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Essentials of Global Health (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Financial Econometrics (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Growth, Resources, and the Environment (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Empirical Political Economy (6 ECTS) (expected to be offered during summer semester 2017)
- ▶ Economics of Crime (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Various economics-related seminars are offered in English

# Courses in English

**In addition to these modules**, the Faculty offers a variety of courses in Economics **taught in English** that change every semester (Bachelor and Master level):

## **Bachelor level**

- ▶ Various economics related seminars are offered in English.

## **Master level**

- ▶ The Economics of Information and Internet (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Theory and Politics of International Taxation (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Advanced Game Theory (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Economics of Education (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Quasi-Experiments in Development Economics (6 ECTS)
- ▶ Various economics-related seminars are offered in English

Detailed information about our courses in English can be found under:  
[www.uni-goettingen.de/en/33399.html](http://www.uni-goettingen.de/en/33399.html)

Please make sure to check our websites to see which modules are being offered before the start of your semester in Göttingen.

## **Double Degree Programmes**

The Faculty of Economic Sciences offers highly qualified students together with well-established and renowned partner universities different opportunities to earn a double degree.

A double degree programme is an integrated international course of study that takes place partly at a German institute of higher education and partly at an international partner university. In a double degree programme, national degrees from both partner universities are awarded, as opposed to a single joint-degree from both partner universities.

Students in these master programmes benefit from a broadened academic horizon through the addition of specialized economic development and international markets knowledge. They additionally benefit from spending two semesters in a different country, gaining intercultural awareness and establishing an international network with fellow students and researchers. A double degree offers graduates excellent career opportunities in multinational companies, national and international organizations, and last but not least the ability of applying for international PhD programmes.

Master programmes with double degree options:

- ▶ **Master's programme in Development Economics:** Double degree programme in Development Economics in cooperation with Stellenbosch University, South Africa (M.A. in Development Economics/ M.Comm. in Economics)

*[www.uni-goettingen.de/ddd-stellenbosch](http://www.uni-goettingen.de/ddd-stellenbosch)*

Double degree programme in Development Economics in cooperation with Florence University, Italy (M.A. in Development Economics/ M.Sc. in Economics and Development)

*[www.uni-goettingen.de/ddd-florence](http://www.uni-goettingen.de/ddd-florence)*

- ▶ **Master's programme in International Economics:** Double degree programme in International Economics in cooperation with the Rijksuniversiteit Groningen, Netherlands (M.A. in International Economics/ M.Sc. in International Economics and Business)

*[www.wiwi.uni-goettingen.de/studium/doubledegree](http://www.wiwi.uni-goettingen.de/studium/doubledegree)*

- ▶ **Master's programme in Finance, Accounting, and Taxes:** Double degree programme in finance, accounting, taxes, and business economics in cooperation with Ghent University, Belgium (M.Sc. in Finance, Accounting, and Taxes/ M.Sc. in Business Economics)

*[www.uni-goettingen.de/doubledegree-gent](http://www.uni-goettingen.de/doubledegree-gent)*

# Student support



## **Academic calendar**

The academic year in Germany is divided into winter term (October-March) and summer term (April-September), with each period lasting six months. During these terms there are periods when lectures are held, examinations are taken, and periods of breaks and public holidays. In addition, the Department of Business Administration offers English modules (incl. exams) especially for international students from October to December (winter semester) and from April until July (summer semester). These courses are aligned with the academic calendars of the partner universities, so that international students can easily spend a semester abroad.

## **Introductory events**

At the beginning of each semester, the International Student Services organises introduction and welcome days for degree seeking and exchange students: [www.uni-goettingen.de/introduction-days](http://www.uni-goettingen.de/introduction-days)



## Study Buddy Programme

Students who would like to receive help and support during the orientation period and their stay in Göttingen can apply for the study buddy programme. German and international students from the same subject area work together as study buddies to support each other with daily life at the university and beyond. Please apply via [www.uni-goettingen.de/study-buddy](http://www.uni-goettingen.de/study-buddy)

Students who would like to be picked up from the train station upon their arrival in Göttingen may take advantage of the exchange buddy service. Please apply four weeks before your arrival via [www.uni-goettingen.de/exchange-buddy](http://www.uni-goettingen.de/exchange-buddy).

## German courses

The University of Göttingen offers all students the opportunity to attend German courses at the university free of charge. Courses of all levels are offered. In order to register for one of the courses, you have to take a placement test, to determine which course level is most appropriate. Students with no knowledge of German do not need to take a placement test but can simply register for an A 1.1 ("Grundstufe 1") course.

*At the end of every semester, there is an official graduation ceremony for students in the University's "Great Hall": the Dean of Studies hands over the final certificates.*



# Good reasons for studying in Göttingen

The University of Göttingen is an internationally renowned research university with a strong research driven teaching focus.

The University is listed in both national and international rankings as a top university in Germany.

As an international student, you have access to resources provided by the international student service office, called Foyer International. It offers all international students the opportunity to participate in a faculty-wide buddy programme called INDIGU and organizes introduction events at the start of every semester.

The University's campus for humanities, social sciences, law, and economic sciences is located both directly in and adjacent to the inner city, with many buildings dating back to the 1700s.

Much of the city was untouched during the allied bombings of World War II, leaving the historic buildings and residences intact.

Göttingen offers diverse cultural and social activities. Within the city, there are three theatres, two cinemas (one which shows predominantly international and independent films in their original languages); a symphonic orchestra, art exhibitions, a literary centre (with regular book readings) and numerous of restaurants, cafes, and bars.

Göttingen is located directly near the major high-speed rail lines, ICE (Intercity-Express); allowing you to reach cities as far as Frankfurt, Berlin, or Hamburg within a couple of hours. Your student ID card lets you take the busses in Göttingen and all local trains for free (extending from Göttingen all the way to Hamburg and the North Sea).

Göttingen has a very low crime rate, and most students feel comfortable to walk or bike alone even in the evenings.

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#### Undergraduate Courses (students from Central Asia/ Eastern Asia)

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[www.uni-goettingen.de/de/incoming-office/516298.html](http://www.uni-goettingen.de/de/incoming-office/516298.html)

## Read more

### Online Guide: Studying at the University of Göttingen (information for incoming students)

[www.uni-goettingen.de/en/48483.html](http://www.uni-goettingen.de/en/48483.html)

### The Faculty of Economics Sciences for international students website

[www.wiwi.uni-goettingen.de/internationalstudents](http://www.wiwi.uni-goettingen.de/internationalstudents)

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## in the heart of Germany

Göttingen has excellent train connections to important German airports. Being in the heart of Germany means that cities such as Hanover, Frankfurt, Berlin and Hamburg are easily reached by various forms of transportation.

As an added bonus, Göttingen lies directly next to the major high-speed rail lines, ICE, allowing you to reach cities as far as Frankfurt, Berlin, Hamburg or Munich within only a few hours.



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