

## 2-year Double Degree Master's programme

This is a joint two-year programme in Sustainable and Applied Economics at graduate (master's) level. You will first spend one year at SBE and then transfer to the Université Catholique de Louvain (UCLouvain) for another academic year. The language of education is English. During the first year, you pay tuition fees at SBE. During the second year, you pay tuition fees at UCLouvain.

Outline Double Degree Programme Maastricht University/SBE and UCLouvain/UNamur First year at SBE			
Semester	Month(s)	Requirement(s)	ECTS
Year 1 at SBE (Maastricht University)			
I SBE	Sep - Oct	Onboarding	
		Core Course Economics and data	13
	Nov - Dec	First specialization – course 1	6.5
		Second specialization - course 1	6.5
II SBE			
II SBE	Feb –Mar	First specialization – course 2	6.5
		Second specialization – course 2	6.5
	April-June	Course Data visualization	5
	Feb-June	Project	6.5
	Feb – July	Floating thesis skills	4.5
<b>Total ECTS credits</b>			<b>55</b>

\* During the first year at SBE students will already work on the Master's thesis, the total workload will be 5 ECTS.

Students have to choose two (out of the three) specializations.

The three available specializations and the associated courses are:

*Specialization 1: [Inequality and social inclusion](#)*

- 1) Course 1: Inequality, fairness, and policy goals
- 2) Course 2: Managing inequality

*Specialization 2: [Sustainable and resilient economies](#)*

- 3) Course 1: Causes and consequences of systemic risk
- 4) Course 2: Case studies of sustainability problems

*Specialization 3: [Technology, markets and societal change](#)*

- 5) Course 1: Opportunities and threats from new technologies
- 6) Course 2: Responsible (governmental) reaction to new technologies

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Month(s)	Requirement(s)	ECTS
Sep - Jun	<b>1 Econometrics course:</b> Applied Econometrics: Time Series, LECON2031 – Sem 1	5
	<b>1 Reflective course among:</b> Institutional Foundations of Markets, ECONM907 – Sem 2 History of Economic Thought, LECON2065 – Sem 1 Philosophy and epistemology of economics – LECON2061 – Sem 1	5
	<b>2 activities among the following offer:</b> Economic Analysis Seminars (LECON2476, LECON 2416, LECON 2486, LECON2824/ECONM824) Contemporary Economic Issue Seminars (LECON2446, LECON 2373, LECON 2382, LECON2820/ECONM820) Empirical Analysis Courses (LECON2352, ECONM833)	10
	3 electives (within all the courses of the programme)	15
	<b>1 option:</b> OS7 : Finance: Markets OS3: Development: Poverty and Institutions OS9: Economic of Public Intervention OS4: Firm’s strategy OS11: International Economics	15
	Thesis LECON2910 (Deadline: end of June)	15
<b>Total ECTS credits</b>		<b>65</b>

### Education and Examination Regulations

The current course offer is subject to change without prior notice.

Participants in the double degree programme are responsible for getting acquainted with, and for abiding by, the rules and regulations of their host university in a timely manner, especially with regard to examination types, schedules and forms of resits, if any. The Education and Examination Regulations (MSc-EER’s) for the Master’s study programmes at the School of Business and Economics of Maastricht University (UM) apply to all Double Degree programmes. You can find the MSc-EER’s on the Student Portal (My SBE Intranet), under “Regulations, rights and duties”.

### Fixed curriculum

Please note that all SBE Network programmes (including the Double Degree programmes) have a fixed curriculum. It is not possible to switch/waive /cancel any of the courses offered in these fixed programmes. If for some reason you still want to make changes to the curriculum, you will have to submit a well-documented request (including a thorough description of the alternative course) to both the Maastricht University School of Business and Economics and the host university.