

Information Sheet

Double Degree Programme UM/UAntwerpen



Partner schools: *SBE Maastricht and Universiteit Antwerpen*

Applicable UM study programme: *MSc Economics*

Programme duration: *two academic years*

Programme structure: *year 1 at UM and year 2 at UAntwerpen*

Application deadline: *1 September 2023*

PROGRAMME OUTLINE

Double Degree Programme UM / UAntwerpen <i>MSc Economics</i> <i>MSc in Economic Policy</i>			
School	Month(s)	Course(s)	ECTS
Year 1 at SBE Maastricht			
UM	Sep – Oct	EBC4274 Economics and Data	13
	Nov – Dec	First specialisation course 1	6,5
		Second specialisation course 1	6,5
	Feb – Apr	First specialisation course 2	6,5
		Second specialisation course 2	6,5

	Apr – Jun	EBC4225 Data Visualization	5
		EBP4006 Project	6,5
	Feb – Jul	EBS4045 Writing a Master's Thesis Proposal: Economics	4,5
Year 2 at Universiteit Antwerpen			
UAntwerpen	Sep – Jan	Applied Econometrics	6
		Applied Welfare Economics	6
		Graduate Seminar in Economics	5
		Macroeconomic Policy	6
	Feb – Jun	Major	15
		Minor	12
UAntwerpen/UM (online)	Sep – Jun	Thesis/ EMTH0001 Master's Thesis	15
Total ECTS credits			120

Specialisations at SBE Maastricht

Students choose two out of the three offered specializations during the first year of the programme.

The three available specializations and the associated courses are:

Specialization 1: Inequality and Social Inclusion

- Course 1: [EBC4276](#) Inequality, fairness, and policy goals
- Course 2: [EBC4277](#) Managing inequality

Specialization 2: Sustainable and resilient economies

- Course 1: [EBC4273](#) Causes and consequences of systemic risk
- Course 2: [EBC4272](#) Case studies of sustainability problems

Specialization 3: Technology, markets and societal change

- Course 1: [EBC4278](#) Opportunities and threats from new technologies
- Course 2: [EBC4279](#) Responsible (governmental) reaction to new technologies

Major and Minor at Universiteit Antwerpen

Students choose a major (15 ECTS) and minor (12 ECTS) during the second year of the programme.

Major: Choose one option and choose 15 ECTS from the list of your option



Macroeconomic Policy and Financial Markets

Financial Econometrics	2 nd semester	3
Financial Intermediation and Regulation	1 st semester	6
Monetary Economics	2 nd semester	6
Public Finance	2 nd semester	6
Max 6 ECTS from*:		
Consulting Project	1 st /2 nd semester	6
Internship	1 st /2 nd semester	3
International consulting bootcamp GOA	1 st semester	6
Summer school doing business in South-East Asia	1 st semester	3
BIP Leadership Development	1 st semester	3
Innovation & (intra-) entrepreneurship bootcamp: a hands-on case-based experience	1 st semester	3
Summer school on fashion management	1 st semester	3
Summer school: from mine to finger. A deep dive in the world of diamonds	1 st semester	3
Summer school on urban logistics	1 st semester	3
Summer school 'Sustainability engineering and economics'	1 st semester	3
Summer school Washington 'American business environment'	1 st semester	3
Winter school Transport and logistics	2 nd semester	3

* A student needs to follow the selection procedure for the summer schools and the guidelines for the consulting project and internships.

Public Policy

Health Economics	1 st semester	3
Industrial Organisation	2 nd semester	6
Labour Economics	1 st semester	6
Max 6 ECTS from*:		
Consulting Project	1 st /2 nd semester	6
Internship	1 st /2 nd semester	3
International consulting bootcamp GOA	1 st semester	6
Summer school doing business in South-East Asia'	1 st semester	3
BIP Leadership Development	1 st semester	3
Innovation & (intra-) entrepreneurshipbootcamp: a hands-on case-based experience	1 st semester	3
Summer school on fashion management	1 st semester	3
Summer school: from mine to finger. A deep dive in the world of diamonds	1 st semester	3
Summer school on urban logistics	1 st semester	3
Summer school 'Sustainability engineering and economics'	1 st semester	3
Summer school Washington 'American business environment'	1 st semester	3
Winter school Transport and logistics	2 nd semester	3

* A student needs to follow the selection procedure for the summer schools and the guidelines for the consulting project and internships.

Minor: Choose one option (take 12 ECTS)

Macroeconomic Policy and Financial Markets

Financial Econometrics	2 nd semester	3
Financial Intermediation and Regulation	1 st semester	6

Monetary Economics	2 nd semester	6
Public Finance	2 nd semester	6

Public Policy

Industrial Organisation	2 nd semester	6
Labour Economics	1 st semester	6

Data Science and artificial intelligence

Current topics in data science and artificial intelligence	2 nd semester	3
Machine Learning	1 st semester	6
Data Science and Ethics	1 st semester	3

Socio-economic issues

Seminar socioeconomic analysis	2 nd semester	6
Political Economy of Development	2 nd semester	6



Please be aware that 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". For courses taken at UAntwerpen the EER from UAntwerpen will apply.

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.

SELECTION PROCEDURE

Eligibility and admission requirements

- Who can apply: (prospective) students in the MSc Economics

Selection procedure

Students can start their application for the Double Degree Programme with UAntwerpen as soon as they have a valid registration for the MSc Economics.

- Before application:
 - Interested students have to request an application form via e-mail to doubledegree-sbe@maastrichtuniversity.nl.
- Application:
 - Applicants have to submit the filled-out and signed **application form**, together with a **motivation letter, CV, copy of passport and bachelor's transcript** via e-mail to doubledegree-sbe@maastrichtuniversity.nl. *

→ **Application deadline: 1 September 2023**

**Note that incomplete applications will not be considered!*

- Applicants' motivation letter, CV and bachelor's transcript will be considered by the Double Degree Team and the applicable Programme Advisor at SBE Maastricht.
- Results:
 - Applicants will be informed about the results via e-mail.
 - The accepted students will have to confirm their participation via e-mail and pay the required administrative fee (see *Practical Information* below) within a set time window that will be communicated in the e-mail with the results of the application.

Available places

A maximum of **5 slots** are being offered for the academic year 2023-2024.

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Contact

Questions or remarks regarding the Double Degree Programme with UAntwerpen, can be directed to the Double Degree Team of SBE Maastricht via e-mail to doubledegree-sbe@maastrichtuniversity.nl.

Tuition fee and additional costs

Students have to be registered at UM for the entire duration of the study programme, so even while abroad at the host university. This implies that students selected in the Double Degree Programme pay tuition fee only at UM during the first year of the programme and pay tuition fee only at UAntwerpen during the second year of the programme. Interested students should be aware that the tuition fees

between the two institutions vary, so this has to be taken into account before applying to the programme.

Besides the tuition fees, students selected for the Double Degree Programme with UAntwerpen will be charged an **administrative fee of € 250,00**. The Double Degree Team will provide students with an invoice including detailed payment information and a due date for the receipt of the administrative fee.

Cancellation: The administration fee of € 250,00 will not be refunded if a student cancels their allocation after confirmation. Only in case of severe personal circumstances, confirmed by a study advisor of SBE Maastricht, the administration fee can be refunded.

All other costs that come with participation (such as health insurance and visa application, travel and accommodation, study materials and potential fees at the partner school) and other personal costs have to be covered by the students.

Please note that you are not eligible for an Erasmus grant if you participate in a programme for which you have to pay a fee beyond the regular tuition fee, which is the case for our Double Degree Programmes as they come with an administrative fee.

It is your own responsibility to check with DUO whether you are entitled to retain your Dutch study grant, or “studiefinanciering”, while abroad for the Double Degree programme.

Diploma

After successful completion of all the requirements of both the Double Degree Programme, students will be awarded the degree of Master of Science in Economics from SBE Maastricht and the Master of Science in Applied Economics Sciences: Economic Policy degree from UAntwerpen.

Additional internships/MSc exchange

Please note that SBE Maastricht does not approve an additional (extra-curricular) MSc exchange to students enrolled in a Double Degree programme after they have completed the full programme. Since the regular DD programme already takes 2 years, another extension of the programme is not allowed.

An additional internship is only possible with 100% study progress. For more information on internships, please check the requirements of the Internship Office in the Student Portal.

Disclaimer

Should Dutch government deem a country unsafe for travel (because of sanitary crises, riots or other reasons), UM students will not be allowed to physically go to their exchange destination in that country. This also applies to students in the Double Degree Programmes of SBE Maastricht. If that would happen, SBE Maastricht reserves the right to cancel the Double Degree programme for its students and will enable them to continue and graduate in the regular master programme.