

# Master of Science in **Business Information Systems**

Learn to innovate in the digital economy.

The Master of Science in Business Information Systems has been designed for ambitious students who are committed to pursuing a career on the integration of business and information technology. The course provides students with up-to-date methods and skills to cope with the challenges of digitalisation.

#### Practice-orientation, Innovation, International

The goal of the course is to empower students to effectively exploit information and information systems for the success of enterprises in a globalised, networked and digital economy.

Going beyond the current state of practice, we enable students to gain resultoriented problem solving competences and empower them to become drivers of innovation in their enterprises.

A multi-cultural learning community, and study opportunities abroad make the course truly international.

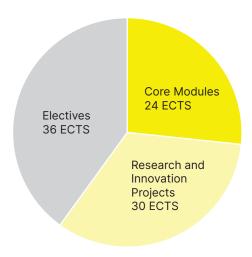


## **Curriculum and content**

The curriculum is divided into three main module groups.

Module Groups	Modules	ECTS
Core Modules	Alignment of Business and IT	6
	Business Intelligence	6
	Business Process Management	6
	Strategic Business Innovation	6
Research and	Research Methods for Information Systems	6
Innovation	Master Thesis Proposal	6
Projects	Master Thesis	18
Electives	Agile Business Analysis	6
	Applied Computational Intelligence	6
	Artificial Intelligence for Business Processes	6
	Artificial Intelligence in Drug Discovery	3
	Business Analytics: Quantitative Methods	6
	Challenging International Managers and Leaders	6
	Cloud Computing	6
	Cyber Security and Cyber Resilience	6
	Cyber Security in Health	3
	Data Governance and Information Management	6
	Data Science	6
	Digital Transformation in Healthcare	6
	Digitalisation of Business Processes	6
	E-Business and Mobile Business	6
	Emerging Topics for Business Information Systems	6
	Human-Machine Interaction and Bias Mitigation	3
	Innovation in the Digital Age	6
	International Field Trip	6
	IT Governance, Risk and Compliance	6
	Knowledge Processing and Decision Making	6
	Lean Entrepreneurship	6
	Machine Learning in Medicine	3
	Managing IT in a Digitized World	6
	Model-based Design of Cyber-Physical Solutions	6
	Qualitative Decision Making and Knowledge Management	3
	Supply Chain Management	6
	User-Centered Design and Usability Testing	3
	Independent Learning Module	6

## **Individual Study Design**



Projects and a variety of electives allow students to design their course programme individually according to their preferred areas of interest.

The course is offered as follows:

- a full-time course of 3 semesters (1.5 years)
- a part-time course of 5 semesters (2.5 years)

The course can be flexibly adapted to personal constraints and opportunities. A combination of full-time and part-time studies over 4 semesters or even an extension to 6 semesters and more is possible. The students can decide themselves, which and how many modules they attend during each semester.

## **Full-time course**

	Core Modules 6 ECTS	Electives	
Core Modules 18 ECTS		12 ECTS	
	Electives 18 ECTS		
Electives 6 ECTS		Master Thesis 18 ECTS	
Research Methods	Master Thesis Proposal		
6 ECTS	6 ECTS		
1st Semester	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester	3 <sup>rd</sup> Semester	

# Part-time course

	Core Modules 6 ECTS	ules Electives		Electives	
Core Modules 18 ECTS		12 ECTS	Master Thesis 18 ECTS		
	Research Methods 6 ECTS		Master Thesis Proposal 6 ECTS		
1 <sup>st</sup> Semester	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester	3 <sup>rd</sup> Semester	4 <sup>th</sup> Semester	5 <sup>th</sup> Semester	

#### **Excellent Career Prospects**

The course prepares students for demanding tasks in the corporate and academic world

- Ongoing digitalisation will raise the importance of information systems and artificial intelligence for the success of companies. This will lead to an increasing demand for information systems specialists over the coming years.
- The course qualifies graduates to do a PhD study at a university, for example at our partner university in Camerino (Italy).

## **Double Degree**

We offer the opportunity to enhance the Master of Science in Business Information Systems with additional degrees.

 In collaboration with the University of Camerino (Italy) and the Institut Teknologi Bandung (Indonesia) we offer the opportunity to undertake an exchange and gain an additional Master of Science from our partner universities.

Master of Science in Computer Science, University of Camerino (Italy)

Master of Science in Management, Institut Teknologi Bandung (Indonesia)

 After successful graduation from the Master of Science in Business Information Systems there is the opportunity to transfer credits for the additional Master of Science in International Management FHNW or the Master of Science in Medical Informatics FHNW.

#### **International Field Trips**

Field trips to Silicon Valley, Asia and South Africa open up opportunities for our students to understand other countries' economic, social, political, and cultural systems and develop a global mindset.

### International exchange opportunities

Exchange programmes can be combined with writing the master's thesis in cooperation with one of our carefully selected partner universities abroad.

#### **Tuition Language**

The course is taught entirely in English.

#### **Teaching Location**

Teaching is offered in Olten (modules from the School of Life Sciences are offered in Muttenz).

#### **Entry Requirements**

The registration requirements for the Master of Science in Business Information Systems encompass

- a Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Arts in Business Informatics (Wirtschaftsinformatik), Information Systems, Business Administration (Betriebsökonomie), Computer Science (Informatik), Business Engineering (Wirtschaftsingenieurwesen) or a similar field of study
- sufficent language skills in English
- work experience

#### **Pre-Master's Modules**

Candidates who lack some of the knowledge required for the Master of Science in Business Information Systems, can be requested to attend corresponding Pre-Master courses before the start of the study. We offer three different courses:

- Pre-Master Business Administration
- Pre-Master Business Process Management
- Pre-Master Information Systems

The Pre-Master courses are offered in a distance-learning mode, free of charge for accepted students.

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#### **Tuition Fees**

Application fee	once	CHF 200
Course fee	per semster	CHF 750 / 1,000 / 7,500*
Copying and materials	per semester	CHF 100
Student organisation	per semester	CHF 10
Diploma fee	once	CHF 300

<sup>\*</sup> Personal course fee is CHF 750 per semester for Swiss citizens and holders of Swiss residence permits not issued specifically for study purposes.

Personal course fee is CHF 1,000 per semester for EU or EFTA citizens and holders of EU or EFTA residence permits not issued specifically for study purposes.

Tuition fee for all other students is CHF 7,500 per semester



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- FHNW School of Business
- FHNW School of Computer Science
- FHNW School of Education
- FHNW School of Engineering and Environment
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