



Fact Sheet Double Degree Programme

Incoming students

Academic Year 2026/27

Name of University

University of Applied Sciences and Arts Northwestern Switzerland – School of Business

Fachhochschule Nordwestschweiz (FHNW) - Hochschule für Wirtschaft

Erasmus Code

CH Brugg02

Study Level

Undergraduate

Business School Homepage

www.fhnw.ch/en/degree-programmes/business

Website for Double Degrees

<http://www.fhnw.ch/en/degree-programmes/business/international-experience/double-degrees/incoming-double-degree-students>

Semester Dates

Autumn: Mid of September – End of January

Spring: Mid of February – Beginning of July

An Orientation Day and the FHNW Welcome Days are planned for week 37 of the calendar.

Nomination and Application Procedure

Double Degree students must be officially nominated by their home university and must submit the application dossier in Mobility-Online within the deadline. We recommend planning your arrival only once you have been accepted and have received your Letter of Acceptance. All Double Degree students are expected to arrive before the mandatory Orientation Day (Calendar week 37).

The use of a personal device (notebook/laptop) is required.

Application Deadline

30 April

Language Proficiency

Proficiency in English or German is a fundamental requirement for our double degree programmes. The FHNW School of Business accepts the following proficiency certificates.

For degree programmes taught in English:

Either a certificate from an acknowledged examiner (e.g., TOEFL 550 PBT / 79 iBT / iBT Home, IELTS 6.5, Cambridge Advanced (CAE), Cambridge Business Higher (BEC)) or a personally signed letter from the home institution confirming the student has achieved a C1 level in English.

For degree programmes taught in German:

Either a certificate from an acknowledged examiner (e.g., Goethe-Zertifikat C1, telc C1) or a personally signed letter from the home institution confirming the student has achieved a C1 level in German.

Visa

Non-EU/EFTA citizens will need to apply for a student visa shortly after receiving their acceptance email. A residence permit is needed for EU and for non-EU/EFTA citizens. All students must apply for a residence permit upon arrival. Students from Australia, Japan, New Zealand, Malaysia, Singapore, and the United Kingdom do not need a visa, but they must apply for a residence permit. For further information, please check this [website](#).

Health Insurance

A basic health insurance is compulsory for every citizen living in Switzerland. An exemption from the compulsory health insurance is possible in specific situations. Students from the European Union must submit a copy of their [European Health Insurance Card \(EHIC\)](#), which must be valid for the entire duration of their stay. Students from non-EU countries must buy a Swiss insurance policy in Switzerland within three months from taking up residence (e.g.: swisscare). Detailed information will be provided during the application and on the Orientation Day.

Liability Insurance

We recommend students take out private liability insurance to cover third-party damage claims. However, liability insurance is not required by law, but we recommend it.

Accommodation

The International Office and/or the Accommodation Officer at the different campuses will assist students to find accommodation.

Swiss European Mobility Programme (SEMP)

*Accessible only if not receiving Erasmus+ funding.
Double Degree students from a European partner university studying and living in Switzerland may be eligible to receive a Swiss Mobility grant from the Swiss Government. Within the framework of the [Swiss Programme for Erasmus+](#) students may be eligible to apply for a mobility grant of between CHF 1,900 and CHF 2,200 per semester, depending on the country of origin of the home university.

Students who travel to their host country via a sustainable transport may receive an additional financial support of CHF

100. Students must keep and submit the respective receipts (outward and return journey). SEMP participants can now access the [Interrail Pass for Erasmus+](#), enabling eco-friendly travel across Europe. The SEMP programme also covers 50% of the pass cost.

Cost of Living (approximate expenses in Swiss Francs)

Accommodation	600-900 CHF/month
Food	400-600 CHF/month
Transportation	50-100 CHF/month
Health insurance (swisscare)	65-80 CHF/month
Liability insurance	5-15 CHF/month
Other expenses	200-300 CHF/month
Total per month:	1,320-1,995 CHF/month

Student Council, ESN FHNW & Buddy System

At the FHNW there is a strong presence of student organisations. The FHNW has several student organisations such as the Student Council and the Erasmus Student Network (ESN FHNW). Local students run these organisations on a voluntary basis and organise activities, trips, the buddy system, and social events for and with international students throughout their stay at our university.

Campus Basel Location

Peter Merian-Strasse 86, 4002 Basel.

Campus Brugg-Windisch Location

Bahnhofstrasse 6, 5210 Windisch.

Campus Olten Location

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