





ERASMUS Fact Sheet 2017/18

Double Degree in Economics, Tor Vergata - Konstanz

A. General Information

Webpage University of https://www.uni-konstanz.de/en/university/about-the-university-of-konstanz/

Konstanz:

Webpage MSc Economics: https://www.wiwi.uni-konstanz.de/en/study/master-of-science/economics/

Webpage Department: https://www.wiwi.uni-konstanz.de/en/

Webpage Double Degree: https://www.wiwi.uni-konstanz.de/international/studium/double-degree-optionen/university-of-rome-tor-vergata/

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Tor Vergata

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How to apply for second year in TV?	Students will indicate interest in the double degree with TV when they apply to the MSc in Konstanz. If they are admitted to the KN programme, they will – if selected – be informed of their admissions to the double degree with TV
How to apply for second year in KN?	Please contact the director in TV: Prof Elisabetta lossa - msc_economics@economia.uniroma2.it
Accommodation @ KN	NEW starting with 18/19: Accommodation services will try to but <u>cannot guarantee</u> on-campus accommodation if students apply before the deadline. If there is no space, please use the resources on the international office page (https://www.uni-konstanz.de/en/international-office/study-in-konstanz/preparation/accommodation/) or contact the department for information about leaving double degree students. We will provide further reasonable assistance, within our discretion and our capabilities. See details in the Fresher's Handbook
Accommodation @ TV	Students look for accommodation on campus – less common – or in Rome: http://economia.uniroma2.it/en/def/accommodation/ and https://rome.craigslist.it/?lang=en&cc=gb
Resources for Incoming Students to KN	In the Fresher's Handbook
Resources for Incoming	
Students to TV	http://www.economia.uniroma2.it/erasmus/erasmus.asp?a=248 and http://www.economia.uniroma2.it/public/erasmus/file/INCOMING%202016-2017/Fact%20Sheet%202016-2017.pdf
Tuition Fees at KN and TV	The students will not pay any tuition fees at the University of Konstanz; they will pay the <u>administrative fees</u> only. The students will not pay any tuition fees at TV; they may have to pay for the graduation certificate.
Living costs and Scholarships	 Konstanz: <u>Living Costs</u> Scholarships: German students should both apply for Auslandsbafög (has no connection with Inlandsbafög). All students should check in the <u>DAAD Scholarship Database</u> for any individual scholarships they can apply for. The Konstanz International Office webpage has a number of <u>resources</u>, too. TV: The minimum cost of living for a student is approximately € 1000 per month. This includes food and personal care, housing, books, public transport and free time. Accommodation: Student House, rooms in private homes, shared apartments with other students. The cost is approximately € 400/500 per month. Metro/ bus card € 35 per month.
Jobs in Konstanz	Many students earn money on the side – it has the added benefit that you immerse yourself in the local culture. Citizens from the EU as well

as Malta, Cyprus and the EEA countries (Island, Norway, Liechtenstein) as well as Switzerland can work during the entire year. All other international students (including Croatian students) are permitted to work 120 days or 240 half-days (4-hours / day) per year, if the visa or residence permit do not explicitly forbid it.

The Service Centre of the Student Service 'Seezeit Bodensee' provides a job board for students in the entrance area of the university (next

to the Campus Café) or on this website.

B. Academic Information

Academic
structure**

A (start in Konstanz for all Konstanz students)

YEAR 1:

MSc Economics		
Modules	ECTS	Total
First Semester in Konstanz:	30	60 ECTS
Advanced Econometrics		
Advanced Macroeconomics I		
Advanced Microeconomics I		
Second semester in Konstanz:	30	
Students choose specialized courses from our programme, they		
can also choose one seminar if they want to specialise		

YEAR 2*:

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	MSc Economics		
	Modules	ECTS	Total
	Third semester in Rome:	30	30 ECTS
	Students take the courses that the regular TV students take.		
	Compulsory in TV:		
	Law and Economics – 6		
	Public Sector Economics and Management – 6		
	Labour and Personnel Economics – 6		
	Optional – choose 12 ECTS (some taught in the third		
	semester, some in the fourth) from the following		
	programmes:		

MSc Economics		
MSc Finance and Banking		
MSc European Economy and Business Law		
See details about requirements if students specialize in Konstanz**		
Fourth semester in Rome: Master thesis and one optional course 6 ECTS	24+6	30 ECTS
Total for Year 1 and Year 2		Must be at least 120 ECTS, may not exceed 124 ECTS

^{*} Students may not take elective courses with identical or similar contents at the two universities.

B (start in TV for all TV students)

<u>YEAR 1:</u>

MSc Economics		
Modules	ECTS	Total
First semester in Rome: students choose compulsory and optional courses such as Mathematics Statistics Econometrics – eq to our Adv Econometrics Microeconomics I and II – eq to our Adv Micro Matlab		54-60 ECTS
Second semester in Rome: students choose compulsory and optional courses such as Time Series Micro II		

 Macro 	I and II – eq to our Adv Macro			
• Stata				

YEAR 2*:		
MSc Economics		
Modules	ECTS	Total
Third and Fourth semester in Konstanz:		For both semesters 54-60 ECTS
Students choose elective courses in the MSc, agreed upon with the TV coordinator. Recommended courses include:		
-Microeconometrics for the Specialisation in <i>Applied Economics</i> > taught in the fourth semester		
-Portfolio Management for the Specialisation in <i>International Financial Economics</i> > taught in the third semester		
-Advanced Macro II in the Specialisation in <i>Macroeconomics</i> and <i>International Economics</i> > taught in the fourth semester		
-International Monetary Economics for the Specialisation Macroeconomics and International Economics> taught in the fourth semester		
-Behavioural Economics for the Specialisation Microeconomics and Decision Making> taught in the third semester		
-Advanced Micro II from the Specialisation <i>Microeconomics</i> and <i>Decision Making></i> taught in the third semester		
as well as courses on		
- Labour economics> taught in the fourth semester		

	 health> taught in the fourth semester topics in auction theory> taught in the fourth semester behavioural public economics> taught in the third semester See details about requirements if students specialize in Konstanz** 								
	Fourth semester in Konstanz: Master thesis (30 ECTS) and one course maximum (if a specialization course is taught in the summer semester, for example)								
	Total for Year 1 and Year 2			At least 120 ECTS, not to exceed 124 ECTS					
	* Students may not take courses in their second year with identical c	or similar content	s as first-yea	ar courses.					
Seminar in KN	Students are required to take one seminar in Konstanz. You are advised to take it in your first semester in KN. The seminars for the first semester will be announced in June (often 3 rd week, and one week ONLY). You will have to choose and register for a seminar. If you want to finish your Masters here with an area of specialisation, then your seminar has to be in that area. Students must then go to the individual professor's webpages and follow the application instructions. You will be notified of the registration dates and sent the application form in an email. (Occasionally students may opt to take it in their second semester in KN - please seek advice in this regard. They will always be announced in November.)								
Master Thesis at KN	Overall setup								
	• The thesis in English (30 ECTS) is to be written within a fixed period of 4 months (April – July) and is usually written in the fourth semester. Under exceptional circumstances a one month-extension can be granted – this extension has to be agreed to by both supervisors. The length should not be exceed 15,000 words = ~ 50 p.								
	The thesis is jointly supervised and marked by a full profess	sor from each de	epartment at	the home and the host u	university.				

- After the application see below has been finalized, the topic of the thesis cannot be changed.
- The topic of the thesis is to be discussed and agreed upon with both supervisors; the supervisor at the university where the student spends her/his second year is the primary supervisor and should be the one primarily advising the student (in order to avoid conflicting advice). Students should start discussing the topic with their supervisors towards the end of the third semester.
- At the latest on the last day of the writing period the student is to submit three bound hardcopy versions to the exams office in Konstanz (Room F258). At the same time the student is to send one electronic copy to office.wiwi@uni.kn in Konstanz, and one copy to her/his supervisor at the home university.
- The thesis is jointly marked. The Konstanz professor usually submits a mark and a report to the exams office within 8 weeks; before that s/he should have had contact with the supervisor at the home university and should have either agreed upon a mark, or should have discussed her/his mark with his colleague. The home university supervisor sends her/his mark and the report to the exams office at office.wiwi@uni.kn in Konstanz.
- The student is sent both reports and the final mark. The final mark is aggregated from the Konstanz mark and the conversed mark of the home university, based on the grade conversion table agreed upon and published on the KN double degree website.
- The KN thesis is recognized as an equivalent to the home universities thesis.

Timeline:

Year One: TV students study at TV

Year Two: TV students study in KN

December: Every year, KN and TV communicate about next year's dates.

December/January/February: The students identify KN and TV supervisors and discuss the topic.

February: the students officially submit the dissertation proposal with their final dissertation title to Konstanz (they are given a week within which to register); the form is signed by the KN supervisor and a brief email from the TV supervisor is attached (declaring the role as second supervisor). They also submit their dissertation proposal to the supervisor at TV at the end of February, providing proof of the KN supervisor's consent by handing in the KN proposal form.

March: the KN departmental secretary sends a letter to both supervisors with the final title, a timeline and the conversion of marks. The latter assists the supervisors to agree on a mark.

End of March: app 3-4 days before the writing period starts (which always varies slightly to avoid weekends as a submission day), the student receive a snail-mail letter indicating the starting and ending date of the writing period.

April – July: writing period is 4 months.

End of July:

- 1. Student submits hardcopy and an electronic pdf of their dissertation to office in Konstanz.
- 2. Student electronic pdf to TV supervisor.

August: the KN supervisor ideally sends the mark and feedback form to the TV supervisor by 25 August 2016.

September: KN and TV agree on a mark, or submit their diverging marks. TV sends electronic dissertation feedback to KN.

Beginning of October: students are sent the two feedback forms and the mark; on the KN side, the mark is entered into our database, and the final degree certificate is issued. The student sends the final transcript to TV.

End of November: KN graduation ceremony.

Any deviation from the above set-up has to be communicated to all involved at the earliest possible time, and any changes need to be approved by all involved.

Masters Thesis at TV

Overall Setup

In order to obtain the Master of Science degree, students are required to present and defend their written thesis before the Examination Board.

To be admitted to the graduation session students must earn all the credit points provided for in the program structure except for those credits of the thesis and must not have any pending financial obligations to University of Tor Vergata.

The thesis is worth 24 credit points according to the program structure of the MSc Program. The thesis is evaluated on contents, presentation and defense. The evaluation is expressed out of 110. Students pass the final degree exam if they obtain a mark of at least 66. The Board can unanimously award "lode" (cum laude) as a special distinction.

The thesis preparation is divided into the following phases:

- Assignment of the thesis
- Admission to the graduation session and thesis submission;

• Thesis oral presentation and awarding of the graduation grade.

Assignment procedures

The thesis supervisor, who will supervise the progress of the work, formally assigns the thesis. Once the thesis has been assigned, the thesis supervisor will nominate, among the professors, a co-examiner to act as the interlocutor during the defense of the thesis.

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Request for admission to the graduation session and Thesis Submission

To be admitted to the graduation session students must deliver to the students' secretary about 45 days before the graduation session the following documents: (for example, for graduation session is on 16th July, all documents should be delivered 1st June. If you need to extend due time for delivery the documents, please contact the coordinator

- Form for the Thesis Assignment "Dichiarazione di assegnazione della tesi/lavoro finale" (at "delphi website");
- Requests for admission to the graduation session "domanda di ammissione dell'esame di laurea at "delphi website"
- The payment form "500" € 130,00 for the graduation certificate (pergamena);
- The student's booklet:
- Receipt verifying the filling in of the evaluation questionnaire Almalaurea
- The non-rewritable CD ROM containing the thesis file and on the CD-ROM cover you must indicate only your enrollment number as filename.

Forms and procedures for admission to the graduation session are online at http://delphi.uniroma2.it

A _ Procedure at http://delphi.uniroma2.it:

- 1- Select "student section"
- 2-Then "manage career online"
- 3-Click on Access to the student section
- -Then click on Secure mode
- 4) Login with your enrolment number (Matricola)and password.
- 5) Select "esame di laurea (degree examination)> "manage application to graduate"
- 6) Click on next (at the page bottom)

7) Click on **Print dichiarazione di assegnazione della tesi/lavoro finale and print it. The form is to** be completed and signed by the supervisor. 8) Click on "Fill out domanda di ammissione dell'esame di laurea" (Request for admission to graduation session) and complete the form online; in this section you'll find blank space(box) to write any notification about your exams. At the end of the procedure you can print the form. 8 a) The last page is the Request and the payment form "500" for the graduation certificate (Boll . 500 di euro 130) which indicates your personal info, name of your program and the amount you should pay for graduation. 8 b) Payment for graduation, which can be done in any national UNICREDIT Group Bank. After payment bank gives you the receipt, which must be submitted to the students' secretary. Payment confirmation 9) After payment you should login again and validate your payment on delphi entering the code AUTH you find in the receipt issued by the bank and the date of payment, then confirm. For checking your payment, you can select "Invoice status ". Almalaurea questionnaire 10) Go to "manage application to graduate" and select "Registrazione su almalaurea" -first you can see your personal data click on process to register on website. -On next page, choose "laureando", choose enrolment year "Anno Di iscrizione al corso", choose the year when you'll finish this program, search your program name and select it from below ,click "acconsento " 10a) insert your email, tel, then you need to choose your password with 8 characters click "salva" to save your data. You finish the registration part. Click on "vai al login" 10 b) for login you are asked username and password, which is already sent to your email, when you register in section 10 a. 10 c) After login you need to fill out the exact time of your graduation (for example 16/07/2012), then you should click on icon right down "Compila il Questionario" 10 d) Now you can choose the language of questionnaire 10 e) fill out all pages with patient ;) 10 f) When you complete, click to print it or save document on your computer, it's one of the document you need to hand to students' secretary. Thesis oral presentation and awarding of the graduation grade The graduation is composed of an oral presentation and of the defense which includes answering questions and discussing issues raised by the members of the Examination Board. Then the Board determines the student's graduation grade. For graduation session, dressing is based on your personal opinion, but overly relaxed appearance is not welcomed. Find the Module Handbook, the curriculum and an overview of the specialisation areas here Content Information KN

Content Information TV	Course descriptions, timetables etc: MSc Economics, MSc Finance and Banking, MSc European Economy and Business Law											
Conversion of Marks	The grades are converted so that the same grades correspond to comparable achievements. Valid starting with 17/18											
	Marks KN 1,0 1,3 1,7 2,0 2,3 2,7 3,0 3,3 3,7 4,0											
	Marks TV		30 + 30 e lodo	29	27/28	26	25/24	23	22	21/20	19	18

^{**}Information on specialising in Konstanz in the double degree:

Students should pay close attention to the information below and seek advice from the University Konstanz advisor. In the case that a student is not able to take the compulsory courses s/he needs in order to specialize (for example if both courses are taught in the summer semester and this would collide with writing the thesis), Dr Hahn is happy to look for alternative courses that will then be compulsory in the specific case! This

Area 1: Econometrics and Applied Economics

Compulsory Modules for Majoring (the semesters in brackets refer to KN):

- Applied Time Series Analysis (summer semester)
- Microeconometrics (summer semester)

Both courses are offered in Konstanz and in TV

Area 2: International Financial Economics

Compulsory Modules for Majoring:

- International Finance (winter semester)
- Portfolio Management (winter semester)

Both courses are offered in Konstanz and in TV - Portfolio Management in KN is called ASSET MANAGEMENT in TV

Area 3: Macroeconomics and International Economics

Compulsory Modules for Majoring:

- Advanced Macroeconomics II (summer semester)
- International Monetary Economics (summer semester)

Both cohorts take Monetary Economics at TV and Adv Macro II at KN

Area 4: Microeconomics and Decision Making

Compulsory Modules for Majoring:

- Advanced Microeconomics II (summer semester)
- Behavioural Economics (winter semester)

KN students should talk to their advisor before looking into this option TV students take both in KN

Area 5: Public Economics

Compulsory Modules for Majoring:

- Economics of Taxation (summer semester)
- Political Economy (summer semester)

KN students take both courses in KN TV students should talk to a Konstanz advisor before looking into this option