

Curriculum

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**International Master's degree programme
FARM MANAGEMENT (MFM)**

(Master of Science - M.Sc.)

The Department Council of the Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition has drawn up and approved the hereby published curriculum.

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Abbreviations:

These abbreviations apply to the entire curriculum:

EC	=	European Credit
Ex	=	Excursion
ExL	=	External course
LN	=	Study-related certificate of achievement
LV	=	Course
mE	=	With success
MP	=	Oral exam
MFM	=	International Master's degree programme Farm Management
MuSchG	=	Maternity Protection Act
oE	=	Without success
Pr	=	Practical training
S	=	Seminar
sem.	=	Semester
SP	=	Written exam
StA	=	Student research project
SU	=	Seminar-based tuition
SWS	=	Weekly hours per semester
TN	=	Certificate of participation
Ü	=	Tutorial

Information about maternity/pregnancy protection while studying:

In accordance with the Maternity Protection Act, the following categories are assigned to the courses (LV) described in this curriculum:

A = LV may be attended without restrictions by expectant or breastfeeding mothers

B = LV may only be attended to a limited extent by expectant or breastfeeding mothers

C = LV may NOT be attended by expectant or breastfeeding mothers

Further information: <https://intranet.hswt.de/studium/studium-organisieren/mutterschutz.html>
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1 Selected contacts at the Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition

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2 Course structure of the master's programme

The course of study covers a standard period of study of four full-time semesters and includes a master's thesis. Start of studies: first semester in the summer semester; if the first semester is omitted (direct entry into the second semester), in the winter semester.

1. Semester (Practical - or Bridge Semester)	a) For Bachelor's degree and Diploma programmes (Uni/FH) without a recognized practical semester Obligatory module 1: Practice time (On-farm practical training) 25 EC Obligatory module 2: Practical courses 5 EC
	b) For six-semester Bachelor's degree and Diploma programmes (Uni/FH) with a recognized practical semester Bridge modules with 30 EC from the courses offered by the Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition (3 obligatory modules as specified by the examining committee and 3 required elective modules)
	c) For seven-semester Bachelor's degree and Diploma programmes (Uni/FH) with a recognized practical semester or with proof of at least 195 EC with a recognized practical semester: 1st semester can be omitted - direct entry into the 2nd semester is possible

Sem.	Obligatory modules	EC	SWS	Required elective modules	EC	SWS	
2. Semester	Business Management in Agriculture	5	4	Group A ¹⁾	Seminar in Crop Production and Livestock Production	5	4
	Production Economics in Agriculture	5	5		Seminar in Agricultural Mechanisation and Crop Production	5	4
	Farm Planning	5	4		Seminar in Livestock Production and Agricultural Mechanisation	5	4
	Farm Management and Controlling	5	4				
	Business Informatics and Empirical Social Research	5	5				
3. Semester	Agricultural Policy Seminar	5	4	Specialisations ²⁾	1. Strategic Management Consulting in Agriculture:		
	International Agricultural Marketing Strategies	5	4		- Farm management consulting	5	4
					- Specialization specific project	5	4
					2. Technical and economic consulting in agric. mechanisation:		
					- Agricultural mechanisation consulting	5	4
					- Specialization specific project	5	4
					3. Research and Development:		
					- Applied research and development projects	5	4
					- Specialization specific project	5	4
4. Sem.	Master Thesis (incl. Master thesis seminar)	5	2	Group B1 ¹⁾	Consulting Methods and Farming Systems Research	5	4
	Project Planning and Project Evaluation	5	4		Farming Systems Research and Agricultural Cooperatives	5	4
	Agribusiness Internship	5			Agricultural Cooperatives and Consulting Methods	5	4
			Group B2 ¹⁾	Deutsch als Fremdsprache	5	4	
				Required elective modules from other master's degree programs conducted in German	5	.	
			Group C ¹⁾	International trade in the agricultural sector	5	4	
				Sustainable Energy Management	5	4	

1) Modules worth 5 EC must be chosen from each of the groups of required elective modules (A, B1, B2, C).

2) One of the specializations must be chosen.

3 Implementation of the course of study

3.1 First semester of study (practical or bridge semester)

Depending on the student's previous education, the first semester of study is as follows:

- a) For Bachelor's degree and Diploma programmes (Uni/FH) without a recognized practical semester: Completion of a practical semester with practice time (on-farm practical training, 25 EC) and practical courses (5 EC).
- b) For six-semester Bachelor's degree and Diploma programmes (Uni/FH) with a recognized practical semester: bridge modules with 30 EC from the courses offered by the Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition (3 obligatory modules as specified by the examining committee and 3 required elective modules)
- c) For seven-semester Bachelor's degree and Diploma programmes (Uni/FH) with a recognized practical semester or with proof of at least 195 EC with a recognized practical semester: Upon request (informally, in writing), the examination committee can credit practical placements that have already been completed in whole or in part towards the practical training. If full credit is awarded, the first semester is omitted and the course begins directly with the second semester.

Regarding a): Practical semester:

The practical study semester lasts at least 20 weeks, consisting of at least 18 weeks of obligatory practical training on a farm and practical courses amounting to 5 SWS.

Overview of the modules in the practical semester:

Module number	Module	Duration	EC	Type of LV	Exams and obligations			Mu Sch G ²⁾	Weight of grade	Lecturers
					Type	Duration (Min.)	Weight			
392241010	Practice Time	18 Wochen	25	Pr	StA ¹⁾		100%	B	1,0	Rupp, Tuzhyk
392241020	Practical Courses	5 SWS	5	S, Ü	SP	60	100%	B	1,0	Rupp, Tuzhyk
	Insgesamt		30							

1) The documentation of the study research project (StA) must be submitted by the end of the practical period and includes:

- Experience report (min. 10 to max. 15 pages).
- Description of a farm enterprise for animal and crop production.
- Economic assessment of the farm enterprise described.

2) Regulations for maternity/pregnancy protection while studying: please note the information on page 2

3.2 Second semester of study

Will be covered in the study plan for winter semester 2024/25 to summer semester 2025

3.3 Third semester of study

Will be covered in the study plan for winter semester 2024/25 to summer semester 2025

3.4 Fourth semester of study

Will be covered in the study plan for winter semester 2024/25 to summer semester 2025

4 Module descriptions (module handbook)

A description of the content and competence objectives taught in the individual modules, as well as an overview of the composition of the workload, can be found in the “Module Handbook for the Master's Degree in Farm Management”, which is published on the Internet at www.hswt.de on the programme pages. A more detailed description of the modules and courses can be accessed via the MyCampus portal (mycampus.hswt.de: Home > Studies offered > Module descriptions > Show module descriptions).