Great views and career perspectives

Discover the international master’s programmes at the University of Konstanz
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Konstanz is the largest city on Lake Constance and can look back on two thousand years of history. Since Konstanz was largely spared destruction in both the Thirty Years’ War and the Second World War, its old town is among the best-preserved ones in Germany. The amazing architecture and winding medieval alleys give it a particularly charming feel. It is home to the oldest theatre in continuous use in Germany. There are many cultural events that you can attend. Konstanz is also full of student energy: Of the city’s 86,000+ inhabitants, 16,000 are students. Many of them cycle to the university on an extensive network of bike paths. Studying here is a wonderful experience as Konstanz offers both a great quality of life and a high level of security.

There is a Mediterranean vibe to this city surrounded by the lakeshore and the River Rhine: Stroll the palm-lined promenade with countless sidewalk cafes, historic townhouses, and landmarks like the Konzil built in 1388 or the imposing modern figure of “Imperia” at the harbour.

It is no coincidence that one of the beautiful old quarters in Konstanz is called “Paradies” (paradise). In summer, the city offers countless leisure activities such as canoeing, stand-up paddling, kite surfing, swimming, and relaxing in the lidos. In the nearby Swiss and Austrian Alps you can enjoy hiking, climbing and skiing: all within easy reach.
Why choose the University of Konstanz?

Would you like to study at one of the best research universities in Germany? Then the University of Konstanz is the right place for you. We offer you excellent study conditions in a beautiful location between Lake Constance and the Alps. For us, excellence in studies and teaching also means cultivating close cooperation across disciplines. We encourage our students to take part in discussions and get involved in research at an early stage.

The University of Konstanz is a campus university: You will get to know other students quickly, come into contact with other departments and feel at home right away. Our university has an open-door policy: Professors are very accessible and happy to help you with any questions or issues you might have.

Campus life at the University of Konstanz is diverse and international. We will give you a very warm welcome and support you in every stage of your stay. We have an excellent supervision ratio and top advisory services. You will learn in small groups and work across disciplines. We promote innovative teaching methods and strategies such as transfer formats or virtual classrooms and support lecturers in developing their teaching further. Our Advanced Data and Information Literacy Track (ADILT) complements all study programmes with fundamentals of computer science, data processing method.

We want to give you the best possible opportunities to develop personally and professionally: Here you will get lots of chances to put your own ideas into action – whether you conduct research or start a spin-off. This is the idea behind our “creative.together” concept as a University of Excellence: An interdisciplinary approach and a strong sense of community enhance the creative potential of our university members at all levels. We bring together our different backgrounds and disciplines to create something truly extraordinary. All the while, you can enjoy an attractive environment with a lake, mountains and great sports facilities.

Check out our video to see all the opportunities and the amazing surroundings of our university!

The University of Konstanz

Facts & figures University of Konstanz

– 3 faculties: “Sciences”, “Humanities”, “Politics, Law and Economics”
– over 10,000 students from more than 90 countries
– over 100 study programmes
– over 200 professors
– over ~2000 staff members
– 350 partner universities in 59 countries

Semester dates

winter semester
start: 1 October
end: 31 March
lecture period
mid-October to mid-February

summer semester
start: 1 April
end: 30 September
lecture period
mid-April to mid-July

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Science in Paradise
– Your International Study Experience at University of Konstanz
3.1. Our research profile

In the current Excellence Strategy programme of the German Government, the University of Konstanz is one of eleven so-called “Universities of Excellence”. This means we carry out research at the highest international level. One of our major strengths has always been our ability to unlock potential by bringing researchers with mutual interests and research agendas together, irrespective of their disciplinary backgrounds.

**Research priorities**

Currently, the University of Konstanz has five research priorities. These profile areas share an interdisciplinary research orientation and are continually developing through close transdisciplinary research collaboration across departments and faculties. They bring excellent researchers together and allow them to pool their shared research interests, thereby generating new ideas and innovative approaches to solving global challenges in science and society.

- **Human | Data | Society**
- **Collective Behaviour**
- **Cultural Dynamics and Social Transformation**
- **Molecular Principles of Life**
- **Inequality and Conflict**
- **Emerging fields of research**

Our emerging fields of research are current topics of great joint interest to our departments. Emerging fields of research contribute to the University of Konstanz’s dynamic profile-building process.

- **Biodiversity – Organismal Interactions – Global Change**
- **Material – Function – Quantum**

Building a university’s profile is always a dynamic process. This is why we continually review and develop our research priorities and emerging fields of research.

3.2. Our support services

**The International Office**

We will give you a warm welcome and help you to quickly adapt to German university life. Our International Office provides comprehensive support services – from the very first contact, throughout your stay and until your departure.

**Buddy Programme**

Receive one-on-one support from a local student: When you arrive, a buddy will show you around our city and university. Our network of student tutors with their own study abroad experiences in various regions of the world can provide you with academic advice.

**Orientation Programme**

Start your study abroad experience by taking part in one of our pre-semester orientation programmes that will help you settle into living and studying in Konstanz. Choose between a one-week crash course or a four-week option with intensive German language training.

**Career Service**

Our Career Service team connects students and graduates to a growing network of companies and employers that provide job and internship opportunities. Get information about job applications, job orientation, internships, and career entry.

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For more information

www.uni.kn/en/cs

For more information

uni.kn/international/en
Our support services

Central Student Advisory Service (ZSB)
First contact at the university on general study orientation,

Seezeit Service Centre
Information on housing,
www.seezeit.com/en

Academic Sports Service
Located on the shores of Lake of Constance in Egg.
Find the present course catalogue at:
www.uni.kn/en/hochschulsport/hspkn

Seezeit student services is the largest provider of student accommodation in Konstanz. The rooms are usually in single or double occupancy apartments as well as in shared flats. Every student, however, receives its own personal room. A few of the residence halls are located near the city centre on the Rhine river, while others are a short distance from the university. Students living in the residence halls can quickly reach the university campus by foot, by bicycle or by bus. The rooms in the residence halls are all fully furnished.

There are also other student residences and accommodation options. You will find all the information here:
www.uni-konstanz.de/en/international-office/study-in-konstanz/preparation/accommodation/

Our master’s programmes in English

The University of Konstanz offers a variety of international master’s programmes that are taught completely in English:

- Biological Sciences – Master of Science
- Chemistry – Master of Science
- Computer and Information Science – Master of Science
- Economics – Master of Science
- Life Science – Master of Science
- Linguistics – Master of Arts
- Mediterranean History – Master of Arts
- Multilingualism – Master of Arts
- Nanoscience – Master of Science
- Philosophy – Master of Arts
- Politics and Public Administration – Master of Arts
- Social and Economic Data Science – Master of Science
- Sociology of Inequality – Master of Arts
- Speech and Language Processing – Master of Arts
- Sport Science for Health – Master of Science
Our international master’s programme Biological Sciences is designed for highly motivated students who will receive a first-class education from our international teachers.

The programme is individually customizable to best match your specific interests. Six-week research-based advanced courses comprised of lectures and practical work within a corresponding research group are at the heart of the programme. Each course concentrates on current research topics and methodological approaches in various fields while providing the opportunity to actively contribute to current research activities. In this way, you will have access to top-level, state-of-the-art research know-how and technology.

In addition to extending your subject-specific theoretical and experimental knowledge, you are also encouraged to expand and refine your competencies in other areas, such as data and information literacy, communication or transferable skills.

If you are an above-average student, you can choose the fast track option (direct admission to doctoral studies without completing a master’s thesis first), which shortens the overall study period.

Five good reasons to study Biological Sciences at the University of Konstanz

1. The master’s programme is renowned for its remarkable range of course options and will prepare you in the best possible way for a future in research and teaching.
2. You have the option to pursue one of three focus areas of study – ecology, evolution and behaviour, – cellular and molecular biology – disease biology and thus to gain thorough, scientifically founded qualifications in a specific area.
3. To ensure top quality teaching and supervision, research-oriented six-week courses with a limited number of students are at the heart of the programme.
4. The programme includes an integrated internship which you can carry out at an external research institution or a private company in Germany or abroad.
5. The close proximity to the associated Max Planck Institute of Animal Behavior extends the opportunities to learn from and work with world-class researchers and technology.

Career prospects

– Work in biomedical, biotechnological, chemical and pharmaceutical companies
– Research in product development and product control
– Teach and research at universities or in federal or state research institutes
– Work in other research institutions and facilities with assignments in research, planning and controlling, contamination, and/or pollutant monitoring
– Complete a master’s degree and continue studying for a doctorate

For more information

www.uni-kn/msc/biologicalsciences

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Chemistry

The master's programme Chemistry focuses on advanced, research-related courses on inorganic, organic and physical chemistry, as well as in the subjects surrounding the department's main research areas, especially life sciences and material sciences. You choose one subject of specialization from the three major areas: inorganic, organic and physical chemistry. As electives, we offer analytical chemistry, biochemistry, chemical material sciences, geochemistry and environmental chemistry, theoretical chemistry and industrial chemistry as well as courses in biology, computer science, mathematics and physics.

Five good reasons to study Chemistry at the University of Konstanz

1. The programme’s interdisciplinary approach reduces barriers between the traditional areas of chemistry (inorganic, organic and physical chemistry).
2. Choose a subject of specialization based on your individual interests:
   - Sustainable chemistry, energy and catalysis
   - Physico-chemical methods and theory
   - Synthetic chemistry
   - Biomolecular chemistry
3. Your lecturers are excellent, internationally recognized researchers.
4. Learn from research-oriented teaching in the Department of Chemistry.
5. Profit from our high level of interdisciplinarity due to short distances on campus.

Career prospects

- research and development
- production, marketing and sales
- management
- banking and insurance
- state and private research and analysis institutes
- patent offices and environmental agencies at the local, regional and federal levels

MSc Chemistry

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Degree
Master of Science

Programme start
Winter and summer semester

Period of study
4 semesters

Application period
17 May – 15 June
8 Dec – 15 Jan

ECTS
120

For more information
www.uni.kn/msc/chemistry

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Computer and Information Science

The master’s programme Computer and Information Science provides students with the opportunity to specialize in a particular area of computer or information science, especially related to the exploration of large volumes of data (data science), visualization (visual computing), and human–computer interaction. After graduating, you will be able to apply and further develop practical methods of computer and information science across different sectors. Graduates with this profile will find jobs in all areas and sectors of national and international organizations and companies.

The master’s programme takes on the research of our research groups, especially in the mentioned area of exploratory analysis and visualization of large information spaces. This kind of joint research is unique in Germany and is highly acclaimed internationally. The master’s programme has a strong research orientation and an emphasis on research-driven teaching. Furthermore, it provides exciting opportunities for specialization.

Five good reasons to study Computer and Information Science at the University of Konstanz

1. Master’s students are guided and mentored by a university lecturer/professor during the master’s programme. Based on the field of specialization, you are given a mentor to help you structure your studies accordingly.
2. You can specialize in one of the following disciplines within the broad field of applied and practical computer science: data science, visual computing, interactive systems, software and systems, algorithmics, exhibition media design.
3. You will have modern and innovative workplaces at your disposal. You can benefit from excellent and innovative technical labs, facilities and study conditions, e.g. a powerwall for visualizing large volumes of data and even a painting robot called E-david that allows students to create paintings from algorithms using real paint on a real canvas.
4. Research-oriented: You can complete project work that contributes to the work of our research groups.
5. You can study in our international environment or take part in one of our many study abroad options.

Career prospects

Graduates from our master’s programme Computer and Information Science pursue careers in fields where large volumes of data are processed and visualized, such as:
- banking and insurance businesses
- telematics and internet agencies
- software companies
- movies, simulation and the computer games industry
- market research, management consultations
- logistics and network management
- medicine and molecular biology

In these fields, they can work as:
- scientists and data analysts
- software developers and consultants
- system designers and engineers
- interaction designers and usability engineers

MSc Computer and Information Science

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For more information

www.computerandinformationscience/msc/uni.kn

Questions?

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The master’s programme Economics addresses the application of economic theories and empirical methods used to understand, model and evaluate real-world economic questions.

The programme follows two overarching goals:
– Providing you with a state-of-the-art graduate education in economics to the highest international standards
– Laying the groundwork for your successful career in the private or public sector

There are also great opportunities to gain two master’s degrees in two years as well as international experience in our five double degree options with the University of Essex (UK), University of Nottingham (UK), Aix-Marseille School of Economics (FR), Tor Vergata University of Rome (IT) and University of Florence (IT).

Five good reasons to study Economics at the University of Konstanz

1. Study in a renowned department at one of Germany’s Universities of Excellence conducting leading research e.g. in the area of economic inequality.

2. Breadth and depth: Choose between different study tracks and either opt for maximum breadth and flexibility with our general track or focus more on one area of economics with our specialization track. On top of this, you can take joint classes for master’s students and doctoral researchers.


4. Close supervision: Our small classes facilitate direct interaction with your lecturers and improve your learning experience.

5. Study internationally: All classes are taught in English, which makes it easy to connect with other international students. There are also many opportunities to study abroad during the programme, e.g. via our double degree options or Erasmus+. This will prepare you optimally for an international work environment later on.

Career prospects

A master’s degree in Economics from the University of Konstanz gives you great job opportunities in a variety of fields. Our graduates have taken on positions such as:

– investment banking analyst
– financial consultant
– risk manager
– researchers in various different doctoral programmes

For more information

www.uni.kn/msc/economics

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Life Science

Life Science is an interdisciplinary and research-oriented study programme aimed at students with a background in chemistry and biology. By studying Life Science at the University of Konstanz, you will acquire a sound, high-quality scientific education that builds equally on chemistry and biology. You will be equipped with particular competence in the field of modern biomolecular research.

Biology focus areas include: biochemistry, biochemical pharmacology, biophysics, molecular genetics, immunology, microbiology, bioinformatics and cell biology. Chemistry focus areas include: biochemical and biophysical analytics, bioorganic chemistry, cellular chemistry, and proteomics as well as carbohydrate, protein, and nucleic acids chemistry.

Five good reasons to study Life Science at the University of Konstanz

1. Gain a sound, high-quality scientific education that builds equally on chemistry and biology.
2. Courses are research-oriented and you will be able to participate in current research projects of the department.
3. You will systematically be introduced to state-of-the-art research methods in the areas of life science, i.e. the molecular-oriented areas of biology and the bioorganic/biomolecular oriented areas of chemistry.
4. As the number of students accepted into this study programme is limited, you will enjoy an exceptional student to staff ratio.
5. Your lecturers are researchers from the Department of Chemistry and the Department of Biology who include multiple award-winning and internationally oriented scientists.

Career prospects

- basic research and applied research
- biochemical industrial research and production
- quality control and patent offices
- project management and marketing
- environmental agencies or consulting companies
- environmental protection

Degree

Master of Science

Programme start
winter and summer semester

Period of study
4 semesters

Application period
17 May – 15 June
8 Dec – 15 Jan

ECTS
120

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MSc Life Science/Biology Module overview (selection)

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In the master’s programme Linguistics, learn about the universal structures underlying human speech and how linguistic knowledge is applied to the investigation of individual languages. Language universals and comparative language observations form the basis for the programme and are developed in one of several possible areas of specialization, depending on your personal interests. The three areas of specialization that you can study in English are General Linguistics, English Linguistics, and the Double Degree Option with the Università di Verona, which has an additional focus on applied linguistics.

Five good reasons to study Linguistics at the University of Konstanz

1. Our department is one of the leading research institutions for linguistics in Germany and provides a strong education in linguistic theory and methodology, including statistics, experimental design, automatic text processing, logic and language documentation, in small seminar groups with a friendly atmosphere.

2. Our students receive excellent administrative and academic support.

3. We offer a broad range of courses on current topics in linguistics, allowing you to develop and pursue your own linguistic interests within your chosen area of specialization.

4. The Department of Linguistics has state-of-the-art laboratories (Baby Speech Lab, Computational Lab, Neurolinguistics Lab, Phonlab, Psycholinguistics Lab) that you can use to conduct your own studies, experiments and research.

5. The combination of theoretical knowledge on the structure of languages, research experience and language learning provides a solid foundation for a career in a range of language-related professions.

Career prospects

Graduates find openings in the traditional fields for linguists where the structure of language plays a role:
- in editorial offices with all kinds of publishers (including school book and specialized publishers),
- radio and television companies
- companies concerned with language technology and language processing
- archives and documentation centres

In addition, the master’s programme lays the foundations for work in:
- public authorities or adult education
- educational and administrative facilities at local, municipal, individual state and federal state levels
- media and public relations work
- national and international cultural work
- national and international organizations, associations and enterprises

If you are aiming for an academic career, you can follow up with doctoral studies.

Degree
Master of Science

Programme start
Winter and summer semester

Period of study
4 semesters

Application period
17 May – 15 June
29 Nov – 15 Jan

ECTS
120

For more information
www.uni.kn/ma/linguistics

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- for the Double Degree option with the Università di Verona: didling.verona@uni-konstanz.de
Mediterranean History

The international MA in Mediterranean History is a research-oriented programme in English that provides a cross-epochal understanding of Mediterranean societies in Africa, Asia, and Europe. It examines trans-Mediterranean dynamics and entanglements from a long-term perspective in order to understand many of today’s phenomena like war, migration, or climate change that reach far back into the past and still shape the Mediterranean. You will acquire practical skills and regional expertise urgently needed in academia and by institutions, organizations, and companies active throughout the Mediterranean. Both in Konstanz and during your semester abroad, you will benefit from personalized supervision that will help you develop research interests and practical skills, as well as establish international contacts with leading German and international research institutions located in Europe, North America, and the Mediterranean.

Five good reasons to study Mediterranean History at the University of Konstanz

1. Expertise: The Konstanz Mediterranean Platform is an international centre for Mediterranean studies. The Department of History covers all periods of Mediterranean history, which allows for a uniquely diverse study programme.

2. Network: Konstanz has a great network of partnerships with prestigious universities and research institutions where you can study Mediterranean languages and history and conduct archive and library research during your semester abroad.

3. Mentoring: During your studies, you will receive individual support at home and abroad as well as competent advice for all important decisions, e.g., on your major and research topic, semester abroad or internships.

4. Orientation: The International Office provides a four-week orientation programme for international students, which includes an intensive German language course and practical help with getting started in Konstanz.

5. Internships for job prospects: As an alternative to the semester abroad, you can complete an internship (duration: at least five months). The Department of History maintains contacts with reputable national and international companies and organizations in the university and non-university sectors. In addition, our department provides support for finding a suitable internship in Germany or abroad.

Career prospects

The master’s degree Mediterranean History paves the way for you to enter attractive professional fields at home and abroad:

– promotion of culture, intercultural dialogue, academic exchange
– policy advice and knowledge transfer
– peace policy, development cooperation, humanitarian aid
– cultural management, exhibitions, museums
– journalism and publishing
– marketing for tourism and food

In addition, the master’s programme with its research orientation also qualifies students in a special way for a doctoral programme in history (Dr. phil.). From the start, you will be familiarized with academic career paths and instruments of doctoral funding. Both in Konstanz and during your semester abroad, you will benefit from mentoring that will help you develop and sharpen your research interests and establish your contacts in the professional world. This academic network forms an excellent starting point for a successful scientific career after completing the master’s degree.

Degree
Master of Arts

Programme start
winter semester

Period of study
4 semesters

Application period
15 Mar – 30 Apr

ECTS
120

www.uni.kn/ma/mediterraneanhistory

Questions?
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For more information

MA Mediterranean History

Module title Module Winter semester Summer semester
Lecture/Seminar/Course 1 – The Mediterranean from antiquity to the present – Diversity & conflict – Exploring archives – Research design – Moderating discussions
– Theories & concepts – Exploring archives – Current debates – Navigating discussions
– Exploring archives – Current debates – Navigating discussions
– Exploring archives – Current debates – Navigating discussions
Additional offers 2 – Welcome event “Studying Mediterranean History in Konstanz & abroad” – Language courses in English and Mediterranean languages – Workshop “Writing a master’s thesis”
– Language courses in English and Mediterranean languages – Workshop “Exploring Mediterranean History in Konstanz & abroad”
– Language courses in English and Mediterranean languages – Workshop “Professional fields & doctoral funding”

“Study Abroad” semester or internship

3 Studying abroad or internship

Final exam 4 – Master’s thesis – Oral exam
The master’s programme Multilingualism concentrates on topics in current linguistics research related to multilingualism and the individual as well as aspects of multilingualism in society.

### Five good reasons to study Multilingualism at the University of Konstanz

1. **High research-orientation**: Strengthen your background in linguistics especially in the area of current research.
2. **Get training in research methods**: (including data management, visualization, and statistics) and conduct experimental research with access to research labs in Konstanz.
3. **Learn about multilingualism**: in different settings and the factors influencing multilingualism at the individual level. Engage in the activities at the Centre for Multilingualism and receive training in science communication.
4. **Complete an internship or a study-abroad semester within Europe or beyond.** This gives you the chance to put your knowledge into practice.
5. **There is a double degree option** in cooperation with Université Bordeaux Montaigne.

### Career prospects

- research institutes or universities
- international associations, organizations and global enterprises which operate in a multicultural environment
- administrative public institutions
- international cultural institutions
- educational institutions

### Degree

Master of Arts

### Programme start

Winter and summer semester

### Period of study

4 semesters

### Application period

15 Mar – 15 May
29 Nov – 15 Jan

### ECTS

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**Multilingualism**

**MA Multilingualism**

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uni.kn/ma/multilingualism

Questions?

Contact the programme coordinator:
ma.multilingualism@uni-konstanz.de
The nanosciences are among the most important drivers of innovation for new technologies and offer solutions to key questions of our time. Knowledge about the production, structure and function of chemical materials is a key skill already in high demand in Germany and internationally and that will be even more sought after in the future. The Nanoscience programme at the University of Konstanz provides you with the knowledge of how to specifically develop new functionalities and areas of application by working with nano- and material structures and their interaction with the macroscopic world.

**Five good reasons to study Nanoscience at the University of Konstanz**

1. Get education at an internationally leading level with a high degree of practical relevance.
2. The Department of Chemistry and Physics are home to many excellent and internationally active scientists.
3. High interdisciplinarity due to short distances to the Department of Physics.
4. Choose from many research-oriented courses.
5. The programme includes an internship, which you can complete at an external research institution or a private company in Germany or abroad.

**Career prospects**

- modern materials science research
- material development (plastics, biomaterials, etc.)
- companies in the ceramic and chemical industries
- companies in the electrical industry (e.g., for the production of microcomponents)
- manufacture of instruments for measurement and sensor technology
- manufacture of optical or medical equipment

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**MSc Nanoscience**

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**Degree**

Master of Science

**Programme start**

Winter and summer semester

**Period of study**

4 semesters

**Application period**

17 May – 15 June
8 Dec – 15 Jan

**ECTS**

120

Questions?

Contact the programme coordinator:

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For more information:

www.uni.kn/msc/nanoscience
Philosophy

Philosophy in Konstanz has a focus on connecting contemporary theoretical and practical philosophy. Students of our master’s programme will be able to expand and deepen their knowledge of philosophy and methods of thought in close alliance with systematic research in many areas of philosophy. Learn to apply theories and positions of classical and contemporary philosophers at a high scientific level and take the opportunity to focus on philosophical sub-disciplines, or on intersections with other subjects. Even if your first degree is in another subject, you can also enter the programme, if you have sufficient basic knowledge of philosophy and wish to gain deeper philosophical insights into your own discipline.

Five good reasons to study Philosophy at the University of Konstanz

1. Benefit from a strong research-oriented programme with a focus on contemporary philosophy.
2. Use the option of completing the programme entirely in English or in German. You can take courses in either language.
3. Profit from our excellent teacher to student ratio.
4. International teaching staff work closely with you, providing excellent preparation for future doctoral research or for professions outside academia.
5. Get access to first-class library collections and benefit from an open and welcoming culture that promotes lively philosophical discussion with your peers and lecturers.

Career prospects

- research and research management
- media, publishing, journalism
- educational institutions
- cultural institutions
- marketing, communication
- public sector, political parties, foundations

MA Philosophy

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Degree
Master of Arts

Programme start
winter and summer semester

Period of study
4 semesters

Application period
17 May – 15 July
8 Dec – 15 Jan

ECTS
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Career prospects

- research and research management
- media, publishing, journalism
- educational institutions
- cultural institutions
- marketing, communication
- public sector, political parties, foundations

For more information
www.uni.kn/ma/philosophy

Questions?
Contact the departmental student advisor: studienberatung-philosophie@uni.kn
Politics and Public Administration

We offer two-year study programmes with high academic value and instruction based on current academic research and issues. Our programmes are practice-oriented thanks to their interdisciplinary and international conception, which allows for great flexibility in selecting your courses. The international orientation of this programme creates easy access to the international job market.

Five good reasons to study Politics and Public Administration at the University of Konstanz

1. The master’s programme Politics and Public Administration is one of the most prestigious study programmes in this field.

2. You will gain specialist knowledge in the fields of political science, administration and management science together with the skills to work and research independently and to apply the corresponding methods and knowledge.

3. You can choose between three specialization areas depending on your individual interests:
   - Comparative Politics and Public Policy
   - Management and Public Administration
   - International Politics

4. The study programme has a very international emphasis and offers a total of eight double degree options, in cooperation with renowned partners in Europe and the United States. You can also choose from many other exchange options or do an internship abroad.

5. You will learn how to analyse the interactive influences of interests, power relationships, action strategies, conflicts and conflict solutions.

Career prospects

- in public administration at the federal and state level
- in development organizations
- in local governments
- in parties, organizations, associations
- in international organizations
- in development cooperation
- in non-governmental organizations (NGOs)
- in the private sector (human resources management, consulting, lobby work, financial sector)
- in human resources departments
- in the field of research

MA programme Politics and Public Administration

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The digitalization of various domains of society has produced an abundance of data about human behaviour and social interactions. Inside and outside academia, specialists with a solid background in computer science and statistics, as well as social science methods are needed to extract value from this data to inform decision-making. These specialists include graduates of our Social and Economic Data Science programme since its broad methodological and substantive scope prepares students for a rapidly growing job market for data scientists in industry, government, NGOs, and academia.

Five good reasons to study Social and Economic Data Science at the University of Konstanz

1. The programme brings together the expertise from various academic disciplines such as Political Science, Computer Science, Economics, and Statistics.
2. It thus has a broader theoretical and methodological scope than individual master’s programmes in statistics or survey methods.
3. The skills acquired will make you highly employable in academia as well as in a job market for data scientists that is growing rapidly (polling firms, market research institutes, online marketing positions, as political advisors or consultants).
4. This highly interdisciplinary and international study programme offers you great flexibility to choose coursework from different departments and follow your individual interests.
5. Earn credits for doing an internship or a data science project to deepen your practical skills and knowledge.

Career prospects

Our graduates work as data scientists, data engineers, machine learning engineers, data analysts, business intelligence (BI) specialists, etc.

– in the private sector (consulting firms, market research institutes, etc.)
– in public administration at the federal and state level
– in policy advice and knowledge transfer
– in international organizations
– in non-governmental organizations (NGOs)
– in the field of research

MSc Social and Economic Data Science

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For more information about the programme, please visit the MSc Social and Economic Data Science website: www.polver.uni.konstanz.de/seds

Questions?
Contact the departmental student advisor: seds.admin@uni-konstanz.de
Social inequality is a key issue of modern society. In Konstanz, we offer one of the very few master’s programmes in the EU dedicated to this topic. The programme is connected to the Cluster of Excellence “The Politics of Inequality”, a top-level research institution, and therefore provides outstanding study conditions. It is characterised by a research-oriented study programme that deals with social inequality as a pressing contemporary social problem, provides in-depth training in quantitative methods and offers personal and individual supervision.

The programme focuses mainly on the following thematic fields that are of core relevance to inequality in contemporary societies: migration and social integration, gender inequalities in organizations and the labour market, inequality in the education system and at work, political participation and social movements.

We place particular emphasis on providing students with the required methodical skills and thus enabling them to collect and analyse (quantitative) empirical data. A key part of the study programme is an intense, six-month project seminar in which students obtain hands-on research experience.

In their third semester students will pursue an internship (outside the university at a company, an organization or research institution) or do a study abroad semester to expand their range of experience as well as increase opportunities on the labour market.

**Five good reasons to study Sociology of Inequality at the University of Konstanz:**

1. Research-oriented programme: Learn about contemporary topics and problems and get individual supervision.
2. Get research-oriented training in theory building, thematic applications of social inequality as well as analytical and categorizing methods.
3. Excellent learning atmosphere: Engage in good discussions and our colloquia that encourage an interdisciplinary exchange of ideas.
4. A compulsory six-month internship greatly expands your practical experience, further increasing your applied skills and future employability.
5. Get ideal preparation for future doctoral research, e.g. at the Konstanz Graduate School of the Social and Behavioural Sciences (GSBS).

**Career prospects**

Graduates have excellent career prospects in both academic and non-academic settings, such as enterprises, non-governmental organizations (NGOs), public administrations and political / economic organizations in the EU and worldwide. Working fields may include:

- research and teaching at universities and research and educational institutions
- equal opportunities offices
- political and lobbying work
- consulting
- administration at all levels
- development cooperation
- human resources
- marketing
- public relations
- knowledge management
- journalism and media

**MA Sociology of Inequality**

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Speech and Language Processing

The programme focuses on (dysfunctional and functional) human and automated processing of spoken and written language, and gives you the opportunity to specialize in either Human Language Processing or Machine Language Processing.

**Five good reasons to study Speech and Language Processing at the University of Konstanz**

1. Learn about a broad range of topics related to speech and language processing based on a solid foundation in theoretical linguistics.

2. Benefit from a productive combination of theory and hands-on experiences in class or in one of our numerous linguistic labs.

3. Learn a number of research methods that can easily be transferred to other aspects of the field.

4. Use your internship and the research-oriented environment to gain insights into the academic field and into related fields in industry early on.

5. Enjoy a good working environment with many international students and easy-to-access staff.

**Career prospects**

Graduates work in all fields in which the structure of language plays a role, ranging from industrial research to natural language processing, communications technology, editing in publishing and the mass media.

**MA Speech and Language Processing**

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**Degree**

Master of Arts

**Programme start**

Winter and summer semester

**Period of study**

4 semesters

**Application period**

15 Mar - 15 May
29 Nov – 15 Jan

**ECTS**

120

**Questions?**

Contact the programme coordinator
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For more information

[www.uni.kn/ma/speechandlanguageprocessing](http://www.uni.kn/ma/speechandlanguageprocessing)
Sport Science for Health

Sport science is a truly multidisciplinary field of research and practice. In the Sport Science for Health programme, students learn to harness its power for maintaining and improving health. Physical inactivity and inadequate physical fitness are major risk factors for non-communicable diseases. Consequently, sport science can make a crucial contribution to improving individual and public health.

Five good reasons to study Sport Science for Health at the University of Konstanz

1. We help you develop a comprehensive and robust foundation of sport scientific knowledge in order to prepare you for subsequent high-level specialization in the topics that interest you the most.

2. We create a collaborative learning environment that is tailored to your specific interests and that allows you to develop the skills and knowledge needed to manage your own research project.

3. A multitude of factors need to be considered to understand and improve health. In Sport Science for Health, we embrace this complexity by integrating the expertise of the department’s research units to take a truly multidisciplinary approach to health.

4. From day one, you will have access to state-of-the-art teaching and research facilities, where we cross-link modern learning formats and on-site laboratories for neuromechanics, physiology, psychology and ecological momentary assessment.

5. Together with our leading researchers, you will bridge the gap between basic and applied research and learn to harness both for designing and evaluating tailored interventions. We call this "from lab to life".

Career prospects

– stay in research & pursue a doctorate
– enter the healthcare sector & work as a sports therapist or advisor on health-related topics
– train to become a sports psychologist
– work in project or sales management where you apply your scientific skills and your knowledge about Sport Science for Health

Degree
Master of Arts

Programme start
winter semester

Period of study
4 semesters

Application period
15 Mar – 15 Apr

ECTS
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For more information
www.uni.kn/msc/sportscienceforhealth

Questions?
Contact the programme coordinator julia.everke@uni-konstanz.de

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