

# The Cologne WiSo-Faculty

Faculty of Management, Economics and Social Sciences | University of Cologne

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The Cologne WiSo-Faculty, Germany's largest and most reputable Faculty of its type, is well-known for offering students a vast scope of study fields and specializations. The Faculty's interdisciplinary approach brings together its four disciplines: **Management, Economics, Political Sciences and Sociology.**

According to its mission "**Innovation for society**" excellent research is successfully linked with the corporate and business world as manifested in the Cologne WiSo-Faculty's top results in rankings. The central location of the campus and the Cologne WiSo-Faculty's focus on internationalization - with 350 incoming students per year - contribute to the Faculty's reputation as an ideal place for an exchange term.



## Term Dates

### Fall Term 2013/14

October 7, 2013 to February 7, 2014 (incl. orientation week)

Exam period until end of February 2014

Short term: September 1 to December 20, 2013

CEMS term: September 1 to December 20, 2013 (optional late electives: December 2013 to January/ early February 2014)

Pre-semester German language course (optional): September 1, 2013

**Exchange Nomination Deadline:** May 1, 2013

### Spring Term 2014

April 2, 2014 to July 18, 2014 (incl. orientation week)

Exam period until end of July 2014

CEMS term: April to July 2014

Pre-semester German language course (optional): March 2, 2014

**Exchange Nomination Deadline:** November 1, 2013

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## Fields of Specialization

**Management:** Accounting and Taxation - Corporate Development - Finance - Health Economics - Marketing - Media Management - Supply Chain Management - Information Systems

**Economics:** Micro Economics, Institutions and Markets - Macro Economics, Economic Policy and Public Finance - Statistics and Econometrics

**Social Sciences:** Sociology and Social Psychology - Political Sciences - Multidisciplinary Social Sciences

## Study Programs

**Bachelor Programs (3 years):** Business Administration - Economics - Information Systems - Business and Economics Education - Political Science - Sociology and Empirical Research - Health Economics

**Masters Programs (2 years):** Business Administration (Major: Accounting - Corporate Development - Finance - Marketing - Supply Chain Management) - Economics - Information Systems - Business and Economics Education - Political Science - Sociology and Empirical Research - Health Economics

**Double Masters Programs in Business Administration with:**

Louvain School of Management, Belgium

Aalto University, School of Economics, Finland

Warsaw School of Economics, Poland

**Double Masters Programs in Political Science with:**

Maastricht University, Netherlands

**CEMS MIM:** Masters in International Management

## Exchange opportunities

**Exchange term (Bachelor or Master level)**

Guest students can choose from the Cologne WiSo-Faculty's entire course offer with a multitude of specializations. Exchange students are welcome to take classes in English or German or a mix of both. However the broad offer of English taught courses makes it possible to successfully complete a term in English only.

**CEMS term in English (Master level)**

The Cologne WiSo-Faculty offers high quality CEMS MIM courses, a diverse offer of Business Projects and Skill Seminars, and a highly rated Block Seminar for CEMS students.

## Summer Schools 2013:

**Cologne International Summer University – CISU**

**August 5-15 | August 19-29 | September 2-12, 2013**

The Cologne WiSo-Faculty announces the Cologne International Summer University (CISU) for 2013. CISU offers an intensive academic summer program combined with cultural and social activities for students from our partner institutions and students from University of Cologne. Courses are offered in Economics, Management and Social Sciences. Students are able to choose one or more sessions of two weeks adjusting perfectly to their study interest and schedule of their home institution. Find upcoming information at [www.cisu.uni-koeln.de](http://www.cisu.uni-koeln.de). **Nomination deadline: March 31, 2013.**

**Cologne Intensive Study Programme in European Management – CISP**

**June 3-28, 2013**

The CISP is a four-week programme offered in June each year. The core of this programme, which has been especially designed for MBA students from non-European partner universities, are three intensive courses and one business project with strong company involvement. The total workload is 130 contact hours. In addition, the programme includes company visits and excursions, both academic and cultural. **Nomination deadline: March 15, 2013.**

Find upcoming information at [www.wiso.uni-koeln.de/cisp.html](http://www.wiso.uni-koeln.de/cisp.html).

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## Learning Expectations

**Class format:** Lectures and seminars.

**Grading:** based on written exams, written papers, oral exams, active participation in class or a combination.

**Exams:** last week of the teaching term, mid-term and/or in the two - three weeks after the end of classes.

**Class size:** Seminars and tutorials: 15-40 students. Lectures: 30-200 students

**Course load:** usually 5-6 courses per term (30 ECTS). Each course is two classroom hours per week, many with two additional hours of tutorials.

**Language requirements:** CEF level B2 in English or German



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## Services

### Pre-arrival

**Registration and enrollment support:** In November/May online with the ZIB. Enrollment forms and supporting documents by post (details online).

**Registration for courses:** Only a limited number of courses require prior registration. Students are informed accordingly.

### Arrival

**Language Courses:** Intensive German courses free of charge in March/April and in September/October, weekly language courses throughout the term.

**Welcome Days:** Orientation days in the week before classes begin, including academic information sessions, guided campus tours and many social events.

**Accommodation:** The ZIB will advise students on how to find accommodation in Cologne.

**Buddy System:** Student "Buddies", Cologne management students give a warm welcome, help during the first days of orientation at the WiSo-Faculty and with arrival formalities and make their guest student feel at home. Often the first friends in Cologne!

**The PIM and CEMS Student and Alumni Club Cologne:** Their great offer of parties, sport events, workshops in cooperation with companies, excursions and regular meetings (Stammtisch) will make your stay unforgettable.

**Corporate Contacts:** Benefit from the university's career services, regular workshops in soft skills, guest speeches from practitioners and courses offered by company executives.

## Approximate living costs (per month)

**Housing:** Euro 300 – 500

**Books and class reading materials:** Euro 50

**Food:** Euro 150 – 300

**Leisure activities:** Euro 100 – 250

**Health insurance:** Euro 75 (if home insurance not recognised)

All students have to pay a semester contribution of approximately Euro 225 per term, which includes: a ticket for the semester for all local transportation in the state of North-Rhine Westphalia, contributions to the students' sports facilities and to the students' dining halls.

## University Facilities

**Computer Services:** numerous university computer pools, wireless LAN on campus and in most student dorms.

**Sports:** a large variety of sports is offered – most facilities and courses are free of charge. Students' gym on campus.

**Dining Halls:** numerous dining halls and cafés with good price/quality ratio and a wide range of meals for lunch (during lecture period in the evenings too), incl. vegetarian and organic meals.

## The City of Cologne

Cologne, with 1 million inhabitants, is a multicultural and dynamic city that is host to many interesting events and offers an extensive range of cultural activities, concerts and sports events. Cologne is an important trade fair and business location e.g. with the European headquarters of Ford, German headquarters of Toyota Deutschland GmbH and Deutsche Lufthansa AG and with a trade fair that has more than 2 million visitors p.a. Cologne, called the "City of Media", is not only Germany's number one TV city but also has more than 10,000 companies in the business of IT and telecommunication. Located in the center of Europe, Cologne is connected to more than 60 major cities in Europe by the important German low-cost air carrier, Germanwings.

Cologne is famous for its Gothic cathedral the "Kölner Dom", the Romanesque churches and the multitude of Roman remains (as Cologne was founded by the Romans 2000 years ago) as well as for the great variety of museums, theatres and art exhibitions. Many parks (with beer gardens in the summer) and the promenade along the river bank invite to jog, cycle or just walk. „Kölsch“ is the famous beer brewed only in Cologne. It is served in all of the many bars and clubs of the city - and, of course, especially during Karneval, Cologne's famous carnival season every February. Also the multicultural population of the city has led to huge variety in restaurants with food from many different countries and regions.

**Cologne – Germany's most livable city – come and enjoy!**

**For more information visit:** <http://www.cologne-tourism.com/>

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