Programme overview

The Master’s in Economic Development and Growth trains the next generation of analysts, researchers and professionals in the field of development and growth with a high capability of independence. The programme combines the expertise of three highly ranked European universities into a common platform with leading scholars in economics, economic history and demography.

In this double degree programme you spend the first year studying development and international economics, statistics and long run development at either Universidad Carlos III de Madrid or University of Groningen. The second year you specialise in development and growth, related to issues such as comprehensiveness and equality, sustainability and energy, innovation and human capital, at Lund University.

Universidad Carlos III de Madrid combines high-level economics, economic history and economic development and has a special focus on Latin America. The University of Groningen is a top-class institution at international level in the field of economics, econometrics, development economics and economic history and hosts the Groningen Growth and Development Centre, a research institute that is famous for its study on long-term economic growth and productivity analysis worldwide. Lund University is specialised in economic growth and development in the long run with focus on Asia, Africa and Latin America, besides Europe.

A hallmark of the Master’s in Economic Development and Growth is the emphasis on the personal contact between professors and students, achieved by small classes. We expect you to complete, closely supervised by faculty, an independent research project at the end of each academic year. In the process, you will be able to develop your ability to organise and express your own ideas and research in written form, while you will have the opportunity to improve your presentational skills in workshops with other students and faculty members.

Career prospects

This programme provide you with plenty of career opportunities in institutions all over the world addressing economic development, such as the EU, OECD, ILO, World Bank, UNESCO, WTO, CEPAL, IADB (Inter-American Development Bank), NGOs, governments and central banks, think tanks, multinational companies and consulting firms.

You will also obtain the advanced skills required to carry out research in the fields of development economics, economic history, applied economics and international economics. Lund University School of Economics and Management, University of Groningen and Universidad Carlos III Madrid, offer talented students oriented towards an academic career, the possibility to continue your postgraduate education in one of our PhD programmes.

Entry requirements and how to apply

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

An undergraduate degree (BA/BSc) or the equivalent, with a major in economics. A solid background of mathematics, statistics and econometrics is required.

In particular cases, the selection committee can admit students with a Bachelor’s degree in other disciplines which include a comprehensive and advanced training in economics, mathematics and quantitative methods.

If your native language is not English but you hold a first degree from universities based in an English-speaking country, you don’t need to provide any certificate of language proficiency. The same applies if you have obtained your degree from universities in non-English speaking countries but with courses taught in English, in which case you must enclose an official document issued by your university that certifies that English is the medium of instruction.

What students say

“I am thankful to the programme that gave me the opportunity to learn a great set of quantitative and qualitative tools for academic research and policy evaluation. I took various courses in different topics within development economics, which contributed to a better understanding of development in its multiple dimensions.”

Ricardo Meilman, now working as Research Assistant at The World Bank in Washington, DC
All other applicants are required to certify a satisfactory command of both spoken and written English at Level B2 or higher of the CEFR—Common European Framework of Reference for Language.

HOW TO APPLY
See www.lusem.lu.se/study/masters/medeg/how-to-apply

SELECTION CRITERIA/ADDITIONAL INFO
The selection process will be based on the Bachelor’s degree and study record, motivation letter, language skills, quality of home university and a few other criteria. The committee will take all criteria into account in order to rank the applicants according to their merits.

TUITION FEES

Tuition fee 1st year at Universidad Carlos III de Madrid, Spain: Students starting the Master’s in Economic Development and Growth programme in Madrid, pay Universidad Carlos III de Madrid a tuition fee for the first year.
- EU/EEA citizens: €7,800 per year
- Non-EU/EEA citizens: €11,700 per year

Tuition fee 1st year at University of Groningen, the Netherlands: Students starting the Master’s in Economic Development and Growth programme in Groningen, pay University of Groningen a tuition fee for the first year.
- EU/EEA citizens: €1,984 per year
- Non-EU/EEA citizens: €13,900 per year

Tuition fee 2nd year at Lund University, Sweden: Students spend the second year at Lund University, and pay Lund University a tuition fee for the second year (if applicable). For non-EU/EEA citizens the tuition fee is SEK 120,000 per year. There are no tuition fees for EU/EEA citizens. You can learn more about tuition fees at Lund University at www.lunduniversity.lu.se.

About the School of Economics and Management
The activities within Lund University School of Economics and Management cover research and education in business administration, business law, economic history, economics, informatics, and statistics, as well as research policy. About 4 100 students and 400 researchers, teachers and other staff members study and work at the School.

The School of Economics and Management provides a well-profiled, research-based education that is international and multidisciplinary in nature and helps equip our students to hold key positions in industry and society in an increasingly globalised world. Our students can choose from a wide range of specialist subjects and attend lectures by some of our best researchers, international guest professors, and business leaders from a broad spectrum of sectors and organisations.

About Lund University
Lund University was founded in 1666 and is repeatedly ranked among the world’s top 100 universities. The University has 42 000 students and 7 400 staff based in Lund, Helsingborg and Malmö. We are united in our efforts to understand, explain and improve our world and the human condition.

Lund is the most popular study location in Sweden. The University offers one of the broadest ranges of programmes and courses in Scandinavia, based on cross-disciplinary and cutting-edge research. The compact university campus encourages networking and creates the conditions for scientific breakthroughs and innovations. The University has a distinct international profile, with partner universities in over 70 countries.

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