Programme overview

In an increasingly globalised economy, there is a growing need for economists who understand the effects of international trade flows, investments and policies. Furthermore the rise of China as an economic superpower has vast implications for companies and countries alike. This programme will provide you with knowledge of the current affairs of China’s economy based on the methods of advanced economics and economic history.

The programme combines standard economic methods and theories with careful analysis of China’s economy. Courses are designed to give you specific insight into China’s economic macro-policies, institutions and the micro-level development of markets and firms. As a graduate you will be able to assist companies and institutions in navigating an increasingly financially integrated and competitive global economy.

Through this programme you will acquire an extensive knowledge of China’s economic institutions and the methods used to study them. You will obtain a broad theoretical knowledge of international economics and economic history. You will also participate in a study tour to Fudan University in Shanghai and conduct fieldwork in China.

We offer high quality teaching by leading researchers in the field. With close connections to business community our courses often feature guest lectures by top management in international firms. With a Master's of International Economics with a focus on China you will be able to tackle important real-world issues in this age of globalisation and financial integration.

Programme modules/courses

Before the programme starts you will choose to follow either the economics specialisation or the economic history specialisation. The programme contains three types of courses (core courses, specialisation courses, and electives). All courses consist of 7.5 credits, except the thesis which consists of 15 ECTS credits.

CORE COURSES: This block includes three courses: The Chinese Economy; Institutions, Markets and Firms in a Chinese Context; and China and the Asia Pacific Economy. The three courses combined provide a profound knowledge of China’s economic macro-policies, micro-level development of markets and firms and China’s embeddedness into the Asia Pacific growth region.

SPECIALISATION COURSES: This block contains two courses: Advanced Microeconomic Analysis and Advanced Econometrics, for students who specialise in economics within the programme. For students who chose economic history as their general orientation, the block consists of one course in Econometrics and one course in Research Design.

ELECTIVE COURSES: These are courses at the advanced level in the fields of International Economics and Economic History at the School of Economics and Management or at the University.

Career prospects

A Master’s in International Economics with a focus on China provides you with excellent career opportunities. There is high demand for graduates with an in-depth knowledge of the Chinese economy and China’s role in the Asia-Pacific and the global economy. Prospective employers are internationally operating companies, various areas of the financial sector, such as commercial banks, insurance companies, stock exchanges, government authorities and public institutions. Furthermore, graduates will be qualified for employment at private research centres. Many international institutions have a constant demand for economists, for example the UN, ILO, EU, ECB, OECD, IMF, the World Bank and various aid agencies such as SIDA.

“In China the lectures are very power point oriented. Here we have seminars, group discussions, papers to write, presentations and so on, which is a lot more diverse.”

Na Zou, from China
Entry requirements and how to apply

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
An undergraduate degree (BA/BSc) with at least 60 ECTS credits in economics, economic history or the equivalent. For students with an undergraduate degree in economics, these credits must include courses in intermediate microeconomics and econometrics (quantitative methods) or the equivalent knowledge. English 6/English Course B. For details on English proficiency levels, see www.lunduniversity.lu.se.

HOW TO APPLY
1. Apply online: Go to www.lunduniversity.lu.se/international-economics-china. Click on "Apply" and follow the instructions for the online application at the Swedish national application website www.universityadmissions.se. Rank the chosen programmes in order of preference.
2. Submit your supporting documents:
   • General supporting documents: Check what documents you need to submit (i.e. official transcripts, degree diploma/proof of expected graduation, translations, proof of English, passport) and how you need to submit them at www.universityadmissions.se.
   • Programme-specific supporting documents: We do not require a GMAT or GRE score but a well-balanced score may strengthen your application to this particular programme. GMAT code, School of Economics and Management, Lund University: 8VR-PL-07. Lund University does not have a GRE code. You are welcome to submit a certified copy of your GRE test result directly to University Admission in Sweden.
3. Pay the application fee (when applicable).

SELECTION CRITERIA/ADDITIONAL INFO
Selection is based on academic merits from previous studies at the undergraduate level. In this assessment special weight will be given to grades for courses that prepare students for the core courses of this study programme, and degree projects related to these fields of study.

TUITION FEES
There are no tuition fees for EU/EEA citizens. For non-EU/EEA citizens the tuition fee for this programme is SEK 120 000 per year. For details, see 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 41 000 students and more than 7 500 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 Sweden’s most attractive study destination. 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 clear international profile, with partner universities in over 70 countries.

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