

International Joint Cross-Border PhD Programme in International Economic Relations and Management

General Information

The **International Joint Cross-border PhD Programme in International Economic Relations and Management** is a unique cross-border doctoral programme the Fachhochschule Burgenland GmbH (University of Applied Sciences Burgenland, UASB) set up in co-operation with Central and Eastern European Universities. At the time of publication, the partner institutions are the University of Bratislava, the University of Sopron and the University of Pula. The programme is comparable to leading cross-border doctoral programmes within the EU in terms of structure and organisation. Small groups of PhD-students have the opportunity to develop their thorough fundamental knowledge in a variety of specialisations allowing students to work with supervisors within their respective areas of expertise at the respective partner universities abroad.

On behalf of all partner universities the International Joint Cross-border PhD Programme in International Economic Relations and Management is organized and administered by the Consortium of the partner universities in collaboration with the University of Applied Sciences Burgenland, Eisenstadt, Austria.

Any partner universities are long-established, state-run universities entitled to award doctoral and post-doctoral degrees and qualifications.

Target group and entry requirements

The International Joint Cross-border PhD Programme addresses candidates in qualified professional positions, preferably with a background in business management or economics who wish to obtain a doctoral degree based on advanced applied research.

The International Joint Cross-border PhD Programme is open to applicants who

- hold a Diploma or Master's degree or equivalent degree issued by an officially accredited university or institution of higher education (e.g.: University of Applied Sciences);
- submit complete application documents, including a statement of personal motivation and a description/plan of the intended research orientation;
- have at least two years of qualified professional experience; and
- master English (the language of tuition) on at least the C1-level.

Academic Degree

After the successful completion of all exams and programme requirements, doctoral students are awarded the internationally recognised academic degree **'Doctor of Philosophy' (PhD)**.

Highlights

- part-time studies
- language of tuition: English
- programme is devised to be completed within a minimum of 3 years (6 Semesters, 180 ECTS); to complete the doctoral dissertation a student may take up to five years from the date the consortium accepts the research proposal.

Application process

For each academic year, the application process is organised along key dates. The deadline for submission of application documents is the 31st July, the personal interview is scheduled for early September and the programme is due to start in November of each academic year.

Curriculum and Exams

The total academic requirement of International Joint Cross-border PhD-programme comes to 180 ECTS (workload: 4500 hours). These 180 ECTS comprise courses at the University of Applied Sciences Burgenland and the respective partner universities:

1st Semester	
ARM	Academic Research Methodology
MAP	Macroeconomic Analysis and Policy
ECIN	Economics of Innovation
EPHIL	Economic Philosophy
2nd Semester	
AMA	Advanced Statistics and Multivariate Analysis
WEC	World Economy
	Thesis Work/Research Credits
	Publication Credits
3rd Semester - depends on the partner university and research field	
4th Semester - depends on the partner university and research field	
5th Semester - depends on the partner university and research field	
6th Semester - depends on the partner university and research field	

