

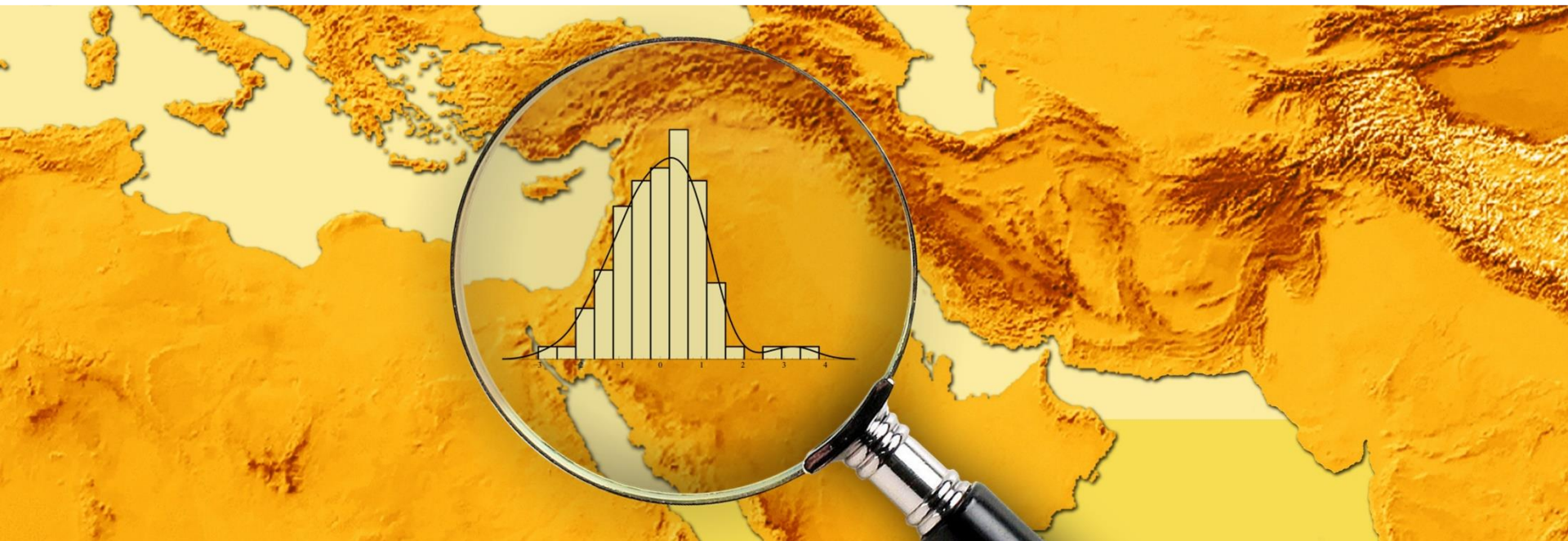
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Universität
Marburg

Master's Info Day 2024

M.Sc. Economics of the Middle East (EMEA)



7 June 2024, 11:00 – 11:30 AM

Center for Near and Middle Eastern Studies (CNMS)

Agenda

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Our team

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Basic degree facts

- **EMEA** is organised by the **School of Business & Economics** and the **Center for Near and Middle East Studies** of Philipps-Universität Marburg.

Duration: 4 semesters

Workload: 120 ECTS




Degree: Master of Science, single degree

Location: Marburg; optional semester abroad is possible

- The programme is governed by the study and exam regulations.
- Latest regulation: [Version 2024](#)
- You can look up details in the [official regulations as per 1 February 2017](#) (non-official English translation);
- Questions emea@uni-marburg.de or [examination office](#)

Structure of the EMEA programme

The curriculum is structured into three-levels:

- Study areas 
 - Modules 
 - Courses 

You can find this structure online to plan your courses for each semester in the [MARVIN portal](#).

Structure of the EMEA programme

Study areas



There are five study areas plus the thesis. Between brackets are the Workload or ECTS – Total 120.

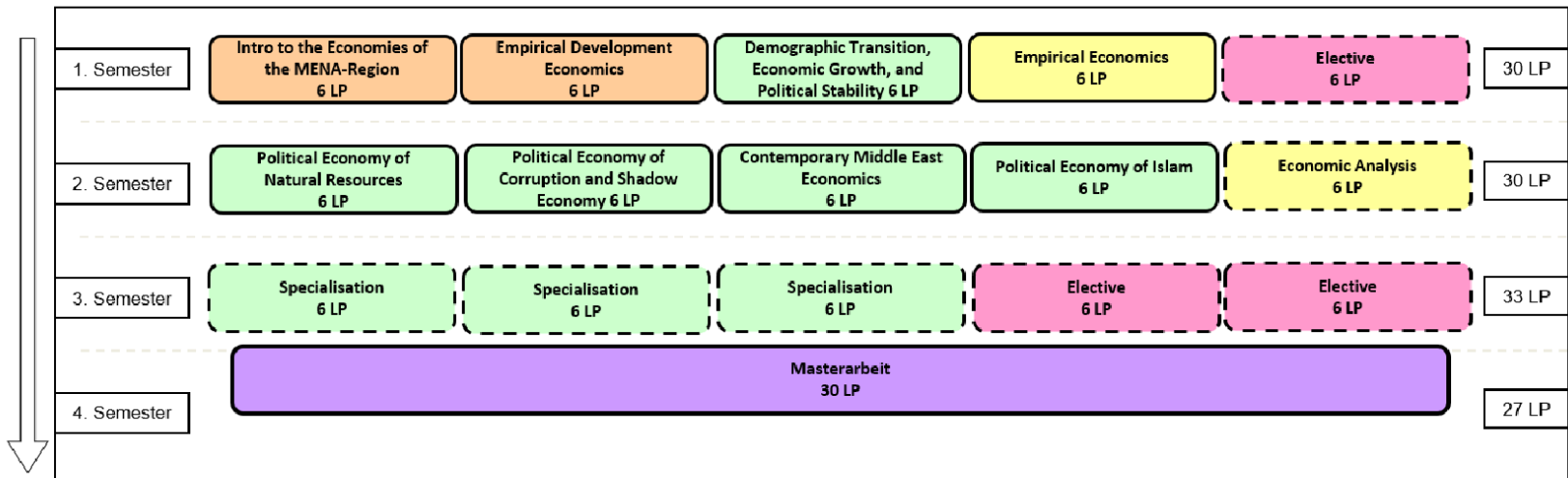
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Structure of the EMEA programme

Exemplary study plan for start in winter semester

Economics of the Middle East

Exemplarischer Studienverlaufsplan für den **Economics of the Middle East**
mit Beginn zum Wintersemester

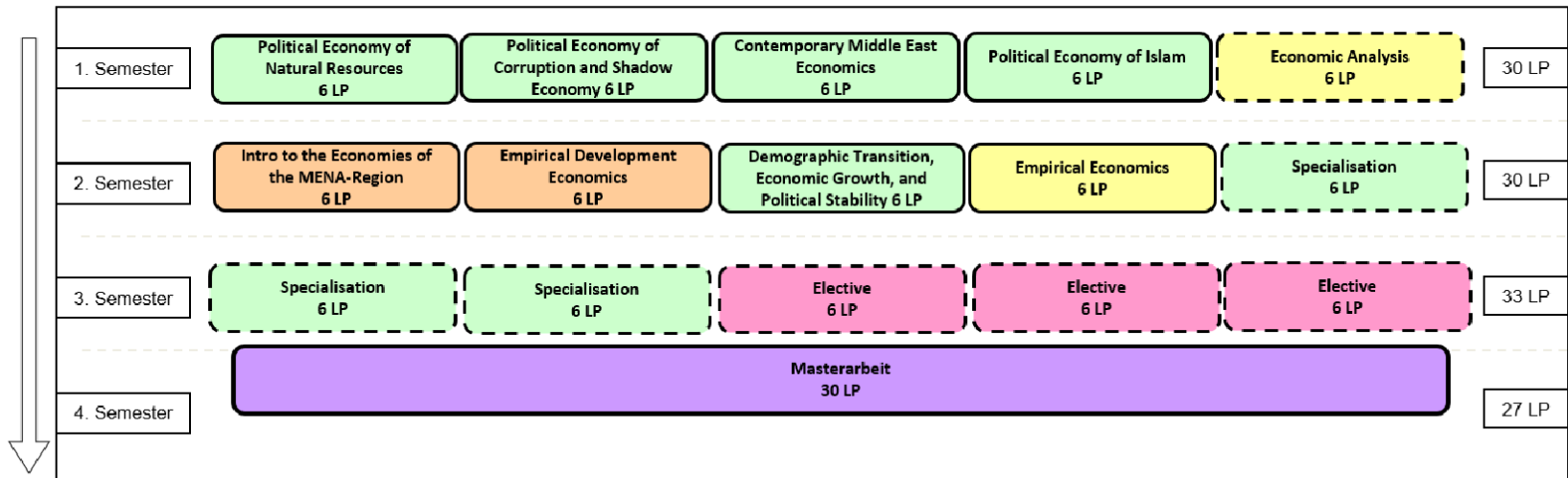


Structure of the EMEA programme

Exemplary study plan for start in summer semester

Economics of the Middle East

Exemplarischer Studienverlaufsplan für den **Economics of the Middle East** mit Beginn zum Sommersemester



Structure of the EMEA programme

Modules



Some modules are obligatory while others can be elected.

Obligatory
Module
[Workload]

Elective
Module
[Workload]

Structure of the EMEA programme

Study areas and modules

Introduction to the
MENA Region
[12]



Introduction to the
Economies of the
MENA-Region
[6]



Empirical Development
Economics with Reference
to the MENA-Region
[6]



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Study areas and modules

Economic Analysis
[12]



Empirical
Economics
[6]



International
Institutional
Economics
[6]



Theoretical
Economics
[6]



Theoretical
Institutional
Economics
[6]



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Study areas and modules

MENA Economics
[30]



Demographic Transition,
Economic Growth, and
Political Stability in the
MENA-Region
[6]



Political Economy of
Corruption and Shadow
Economy
[6]



Contemporary Middle
East Economics
[6]



Political
Economy of Islam
[6]



Political Economy of
Natural Resources
[6]



Structure of the EMEA programme

Study areas and modules

Specialisation
[18]



Institutional Economics

Accounting and Finance

Market-based Management

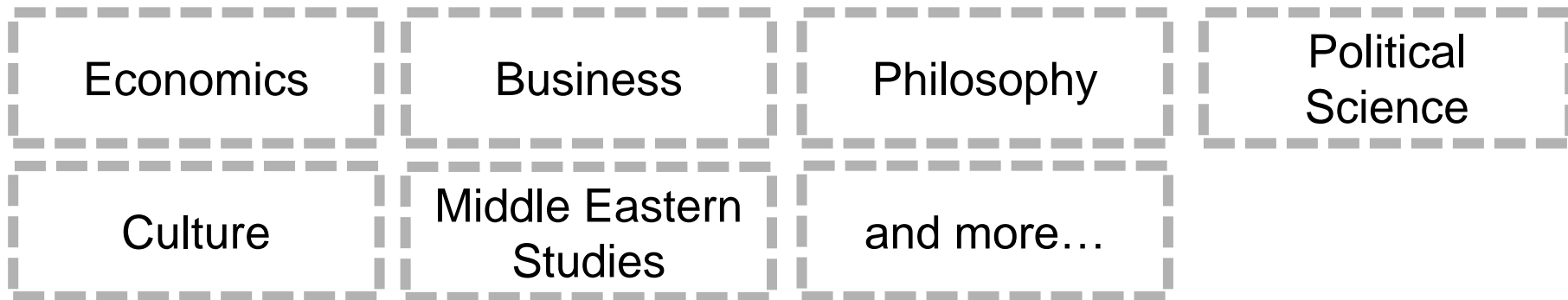
Digitalisation, Entrepreneurship,
and Innovation

- You choose **one specialisation** and **must stay on this track**. A mix of modules between specialisations is not possible.
- **Solution:** You may elect courses from another specialisation than yours in the study area „Electives“.
- There are **many modules** on offer **for each track**. Design a track with your favourite modules to reach the workload of 18 ECTS.

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Study areas and modules

Electives
[18] 



- Choose from numerous options in the import module list. Note that other faculties teach courses mainly in German.
- Please respect that faculties have their own rules regarding module/course/exam registration, attendance, assignments, etc.

Structure of the EMEA programme

Master Thesis
[30]

You have **six months to complete the thesis**. The topic must have a relevance for the MENA region.

To **register the thesis**, you **must have acquired 48 ECTS** in the study areas Introduction to the MENA Region, Economic Analysis, MENA Economics, and Specialisation.

When the time for the thesis approaches, **present your ideas to potential supervisors** and check with them the project's feasibility.

Once you have a supervisor, **approach the Examinations Office** to officially **register your thesis**.

Structure of the EMEA programme

Recommended courses for first semester (winter)



- Empirical Macroeconomics, 6 ECTS
- Introduction to the Economies of the Middle East, 6 ECTS
- Empirical Development Economics with Reference to the MENA Region, 6 ECTS
- Demographic Transition, Economic Growth and Political Stability in the MENA Region, 6 ECTS
- One elective course with 6 ECTS
- Alternative course selection is possible, but please keep in mind that not all courses are offered each semester. Therefore, we recommend that you first study the mandatory courses.

Structure of the EMEA programme

Recommended courses for first semester (summer)



- Political Economy of Oil Rents, 6 ECTS
- Political Economy of Corruption and Shadow Economy, 6 ECTS
- Contemporary Middle East Economics: Selected Topics, 6 ECTS
- Political Economy of Islam, 6 ECTS
- One course with 6 ECTS from the study area “Economic Analysis”, for example “Microeconomics”, “Economics of Civil and Criminal Law”, or “European Competition and Regulatory Policy”
- Alternative course selection is possible, but please keep in mind that not all courses are offered each semester. Therefore, we recommend that you first study the mandatory courses.

Grading and exam regulations

Grading System			
GRADING POINTS	DECIMAL GRADE	GRADE IN WORDS	DEFINITION
15	0,7		
14	1,0	outstanding	outstanding performance
13	1,3		
12	1,7		
11	2,0	good	performance that is significantly above the average requirements
10	2,3		
9	2,7		
8	3,0	satisfactory	performance that corresponds to average performance requirements
7	3,3		
6	3,7		
5	4,0	sufficient	performance meets requirements despite its shortcomings
4-0	5,0	not sufficient	performance that does not meet the requirements

Grading and exam regulations

- There are usually two **exam periods** per semester.
 - First sittings are usually held immediately after the lecture period ends.
 - Second sittings are held towards the end of the official semester.
- You **must register for exams** in order to take them. If you **fail to register** within the registration period, you are **not allowed to sit** the exam. The registration period for FB02 is available on the [website](#).
- Schedules are available on the website of the [Examinations Office](#), and you can find all information on dates of exams for each class in the [Marvin portal](#).

Grading and exam regulations

Failing exams

- It is possible to take up to three re-sits of one exam. Failing the third re-sit exam in an obligatory module (failing 4 times in total in one obligatory module) implies being ejected from the EMEA programme!
- Modules can consist of various exam types, e.g., an essay and an exam. It might be the case that the module grade is an average of the exam and essay grade.

Re-enrolment

- To be eligible to participate in exams, you must be enrolled in the university. You will have to **re-enroll** at Philipps-Universität Marburg every semester by paying the [semester fee](#).

Job prospects and further information

— Alumni Career Statistics

Altogether, there are **96 alumni** from more than **ten** different countries; **46 per cent of them are women**. Our graduates work in professionally-advanced positions as **analysts, managers, and researchers** with reference to the MENA region. Part of the alumni continue their studies in form of a PhD.

Evaluation of 75 students in our alumni network in 2021 revealed that:

- 89.6 % of graduates were able to find a job within one year of graduation.
- 9 % continued studying a PhD programme after graduation.
- graduates can be found in many sectors such as consulting (40.3 %), finance (17.9 %), academia (13.4 %), ministries (11.9 %), as well as different other industries (13.4 %).

According to an alumni survey in 2013:

- 73% of alumni found employment within six months after graduation.
- 82% of alumni established a career strongly linked to MENA economics and business.
- 94% of alumni would recommend the programme to a friend or colleague.

Source: GIZ/DAAD (see [Sponsors](#)) alumni survey for the German-Arab Master's programmes (GAMP).

Job prospects and further information

- There is further information on the life in Marburg available on the website of Philipps-Universität Marburg (including regulation on how to work during your studies): <https://www.uni-marburg.de/en/studying/life-at-umr/work>
- Similar information on working in Germany is also available on the website of German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD): <https://www.daad.de/en/studying-in-germany/work-career/side-jobs/>

Application procedure

- For the winter semester 2024/25, the application for the EMEA programme must be done via [uni-assist](#).
- A detailed guide how to apply is available in the [EMEA website](#). It includes a [video tutorial](#) for the uni-assist portal.
- With the start of the winter semester 2024/25, admission will be possible in winter semester (starting in October) and in summer semester (starting in April).
- The application period for admissions to **winter semester 2024/25** has already started on the **1st of April 2024** and will end on **15th of July 2024**.
- The application period for summer semester 2025 will be approximately from October 2024 to mid-January 2025.

Application procedure

Admission requirements

- **Bachelor's degree (or equivalent) in business or theoretical economics** (students currently studying a Bachelor's degree can also apply if they can submit proof of completing at least 80% of the credit hours of their Bachelor's programme).
- **72 ECTS must cover business and theoretical economics** (From the mentioned 72 ECTS, at least 18 ECTS must cover theoretical economics and 12 ECTS must cover related method courses).
- **English language proficiency of level C1 CEFR is required.**

Thank you for your attendance.

Now we have time for your questions

**We will share the slides of
today's presentation on our website:**

www.uni-marburg.de/en/cnms/middle-east-economics

**You can also reach us by email via:
emea@uni-marburg.de**

**There is a survey by the organizers of the
Master's Info Day 2024 which you can use for
feedback about the event:**



Link:

https://ilias.uni-marburg.de/goto.php?target=svy_3975175&client_id=UNIMR