

**Roadmap for Master of Arts "Geographies of Globalization – Markets and Metropolises"  
Emphasis on Economic Geography and Urban Studies**

1. WS	Concepts of Human Geography	Culture and Society	Placing Globalization	Research Issues in Human Geography
2. SS	Concepts of Globalization	Regional Development	Research Practice and Methods	Internship
3. WS	Differentiation and Specialization (minor or exchange semester [outside of Germany])			
4. SS	Politics and Governance	Master's Thesis		

WS Winter semester  
SS Summer semester

Basic module  
with options

Advanced modules in Economic Geography  
or Urban Studies

Basic module

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**Information available on the internet**

On our master's program  
[www.master.humangeography.de](http://www.master.humangeography.de)

On Human Geography at Frankfurt University  
[www.humangeography.de](http://www.humangeography.de)

On Frankfurt University  
<http://www.uni-frankfurt.de>

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**Geographies of Globalization  
Markets and Metropolises**

**Master's Program in Geography**



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## Program Summary

The focus of our master's program is on the challenges that people are confronted with on various levels of spatial scale in the global age. What drives globalization processes? How do global markets function and what strategies are pursued by transnational companies? Why is globalization linked to spatial disparities? What significance does globalization have for cities and regions, what socioeconomic disruptions are inherent to the global age in urban areas and how can these challenges be addressed?

We offer students in our master's program an innovative and highly varied selection of courses (inter alia augmented by an exchange semester abroad at a renowned partner university, project seminars, lecture courses, field trips) into which encounters with experts from professional practice are integrated. Our students gather insights into current theoretical approaches in social science as well as practically-oriented experience with globalization processes, thereby giving them an opportunity to interact with decision-makers in politics and business and apply their knowledge in research projects that are relevant to the real world. In terms of cultivating in-depth competencies, students can choose between two fundamental fields of emphasis:

### Urban Studies

Here students deal with the phenomena and developments that have contributed to the increased significance of cities and urban regions in the global age. Metropolitan regions in particular are local nodes in networks of global flows in which transnational movements occur and creative ideas materialize. In the courses and seminars, metropolitan regions are addressed as centers of economic, political and cultural dynamics and social contradictions. The students obtain insights into the challenges of globalization and its creative potentials for and in cities.

### Economic Geography

Here the focus is on movements of goods, people, capital, and knowledge in the global network economy which question the legitimacy of territorial forms of political and social organization. Economic globalization is considered as a process that is not only associated with the dissolution of but also with the intensification/sharpening of social and spatial differences. The courses offered convey insights into current topics such as global production networks and transnational corporations, markets and global value chains, innovation and knowledge, consumption and labor migration.

## Program Details



### Start and Duration of Program

The master's program comprises four semesters, it is only possible to start in the winter semester.

### Foreign Exchange Semester or Minor

Students spend the third semester of the program as exchange students at one of our partner universities (outside of Germany) or acquire additional qualifications in a minor by taking courses in another department at Frankfurt University.

### Course Language

Courses are held in German and English.

### Qualification Profile

Our master's program culminates in the degree Master of Arts in Geography (optional with emphasis on either urban studies or economic geography). Graduates earn an internationally recognized qualification that enables them to apply the theories, methods and knowledge of human geography in academia and in practice.

### Professional Target Fields

The master's program qualifies students for professional assignments at universities and research institutes, in federal and state offices and other public agencies as well as private planning bureaus or consultant firms. This primarily involves the following fields of activities: urban and regional planning, spatial planning and land use planning, government economic support, regional policy of labor unions, real estate trade, location planning, developmental cooperation, and international organizations, NGOs, tourism, logistics, market research, traffic planning and mobility management, corporate and personnel consultancy and also media relations and public relations.

## Prerequisites for Acceptance and Enrollment Limits

Prerequisites for acceptance to the master's program "Geographies of Globalization" include a good command of German and English as well as completion of a degree in Geography with at least a 3.0 GPA. Alternatively, completion of comparable accredited programs of study (minimum of 6 semesters) in topically related academic fields (e.g., Political Science, Sociology, Economics, Ethnic Studies, Cultural Anthropology) are also acceptable. Each academic year, only 20 applicants per field of emphasis are admitted. The final decision on acceptance may be based on a personal interview or aptitude testing.

### Application

For application please use the on-line application portal for Master's study programmes ([www.master-application.humangeography.de](http://www.master-application.humangeography.de)).

The following documents are required for application:

- Application form (available as download)
- C.V.
- Confirmation of bachelor's degree
- Confirmation of high school graduation
- Verification of English language skills (high school graduation, language test)

The deadline for applications is May 31.

A detailed list of requisite documents as well as additional information, such as conditional acceptance if the student has not completed a bachelor's degree or acceptance of foreign students can be found at the following URL:

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