

# DESCRIPTION OF THE CURRICULUM (TEACHING REGULATIONS OF THE COURSE)

### MASTER'S DEGREE COURSE in GLOBAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP ECONOMICS AND MANAGEMENT

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I. GENERAL INFORMATION						
NAME OF THE DEGREE COURSE (DC)	Global entrepreneurship economics andmanagement (GEEM)					
CLASS	LM-77 - Master's degrees in Economic-corporate sciences class					
ТҮРЕ	2-year degree course					
COURSE LOCATION	Varese					
COURSE WEBSITE	For information on the learning objectives of the DC, occupational opportunities, access requirements, admission procedures, expected educational results, curriculum / study plan, final exam, you may refer to the Annual Program Report (DC-APR), published on the course website at:					
	www.uninsubria.eu/master-geem					
DEPARTMENT	Economia - DiECO					
DEGREE GOVERN	(Economics – DiECO)					
DEGREE COURSE COORDINATOR	Prof. Onetti Alberto – Prof. Seri Raffaello					
ACADEMIC OFFICE OF THE DEGREE COURSE	Servizio di Ascolto Manager Didattici per la Qualità - DiECO (in Italian)					
LESSONS TIMETABLE	The teaching activities of the Degree Course are organized in two semesters:  • 1st semester from 03.10.2022 to 22.12.2022  • 2nd semester from 13.02.2023 to 23.05.2023  Exam sessions are programmed in the following periods:  • from 09.01.2023 to 11.02.2023  • from 27.03.2023 to 01.04.2023 (1st interim test and 3rd cycle exams)  • from 24.05.2023 to 01.06.2023(2nd interim test)  • from 05.06.2023 to 29.07.2023  • from 28.08.2023 to 09.09.2023 (extra session)  For the lessons suspension dates and holidays for national, local and other festivities (Christmas break, Easter break, University holidays), students should refer to the University's Academic Calendar approved by the University bodies at the following link:  www.uninsubria.it/chi-siamo/sedi-e-orari/calendario-didattico-diateneo (in Italian)					
FURTHER INFORMATION	<ul> <li>Open access degree course.</li> <li>Students enrolled in the Degree Course may participate in a double degree program.</li> <li>Degree Course with two curricula: Economics of Innovation (EI) curriculum - International Business and Entrepreneurship (IBE) curriculum.</li> <li>Degree course taught in English.</li> </ul>					
ASSESSMENT OF CURRICULAR REQUIREMENTS AND	The course allows access without educational deficits for students from the bachelor's degree courses belonging to the degree classes listed below and					

### OF THE ADEQUACY OF INDIVIDUAL PREPARATION

with a final mark of at least 85/110.

DEGREE CLASS M.D. 270/04 (DEGREE CLASS M.D. 509/99)

L-5 Philosophy (29 Philosophy)

L-6 Geography (30 Geographical sciences)

L-7 Civil and environmental engineering (8 Civil and environmental engineering)

L-8 Information engineering (9 Information engineering)

L-9 Industrial engineering (10 Industrial engineering)

L-12 Linguistic mediation (3 Linguistic mediation science)

L-14 Legal services science (2 Legal services science)

L-15 Tourism science (39 Tourism science)

L-16 Administration and organization science (19 Administration science)

L-18 Economics and business management science (17 Economics and business management science)

L-20 Communication science (14 Communication science)

L-21 Territorial, city, landscape and environmental planning science (7 City planning and territorial and environmental planning science)

L-26 Agri-food science and technology (20 Agriculture, agri-food and forestry science and technology)

L-33 Economics (28 Economics)

L-35 Mathematics (32 mathematics)

L-36 Political and international relations science (15 Political science and international relations)

L-37 Social sciences for cooperation, development and peace (35 Social sciences for cooperation, development and peace)

L-40 Sociology (36 Sociology)

L-41 Statistics (37 Statistics)

LMG/01 Five-year degree course in law (31 Law)

For the International Business and Entrepreneurship (IBE) curriculum, students from different degree classes from those listed above may access the master's degree course provided that they hold at least 6 ECTS in one of the following Academic Fields: SECS-P/07 and/or SECS-P/08, without prejudice to the minimal score requirement of 85/110.

For the Economics of Innovation (EI) curriculum, students from different degree classes from those listed above may access the master's degree course, provided that they hold at least 6 ECTS in the Academic Field SECS-P/05, without prejudice to the minimal score requirement of 85/110.

Students who hold a comparable qualification, in terms of duration, to the bachelor's degree course, four-year degree course or master's degree course are admitted to the degree course, in compliance with the documents requested by the Student Services office and, in case of non-EU students, in compliance with the quota reserved for foreign students.

The assessment of the curricular requirements precedes enrollment.

The students' adequate preparation and personal aptitude will be thus assessed:

A. For admission applications by students from degree courses that fall in the abovementioned Class list, the students' individual preparation and aptitude will be assessed through an exam of the titles (university career) and through an interview in English, which will be conducted by the course coordinators.



B. The adequate preparation and personal aptitude of students holding an Italian qualification (bachelor's degree ex M.D. 509/99; ex M.D. 270/04 or four-year degree course) which does not fall within the list of the abovementioned classes (without prejudice to the mark requirement for Italian qualifications) will be assessed through an interview in English with the Degree Course coordinator, who will assess the students' preparation and overall background and verify the need, if applicable, to integrate (before enrollment) the skills in the abovementioned academic fields. The minutes of the assessment interview will be compiled to highlight this need. Only in this case will it be possible to organize a further assessment interview and thus write the new minutes, which are necessary for admission.

C. The adequate preparation and personal aptitude of students who hold a foreign qualification will be assessed through an exam of the qualifications (academic career, cv, motivational letter) on the part of the Internationalization commission of the Department with the support of the Foreign Students office and of the Degree Course coordinators.

Admission applications from non-EU students will have to be addressed to Commission address and the email sent to following foreign.students.eco@uninsubria.it, deadlines the and procedures explained in the guide for foreign students, which may be downloaded from the Department's website. For visa applications students must abide by the deadlines established by the Italian representatives abroad (Embassy offices). Admission applications from EU students may be addressed to the Commission and the email address sent to foreign.students.eco@uninsubria.it before enrollment opens officially (18 July), without prejudice to the normal pre-admission procedures, which should be forwarded to the University's Student Services office. After enrollment opens, these will have to be sent directly to the University's Student Services office.

## ORIENTATION, ENROLLMENT PROCEDURES AND OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE ASPECTS

#### INFOSTUDENTI SERVICE

The INFOSTUDENTI service is a web application that offers a communication channel through which students and future students can obtain some useful information by contacting the different offices of the University (Student Services office, Right to Study and Student Services, Orientation and Placement, Academic Offices and International Relations).

With this system students can ask questions and receive answers, attach documents and follow the status of their requests.

The service may be accessed by clicking on the following link:

www.uninsubria.it/infostudenti (in Italian)



#### II. STUDY PLAN

#### **MANDATORY TEACHING ACTIVITIES - 2022/2023 COHORT**

Mandatory courses refers to all the courses provided for the entire degree course, which will have to be taken by all students enrolling in the current A.Y. (Enrollment cohort) in order to complete the degree program and obtain the qualification.

#### INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP CURRICULUM

		1st Y	EAR				
SEM.	COURSE Title	MODULES Title	Academic Field	DISCIPLINARY FIELD / Type of Teaching Activity	ECTS	HOURS	ASSESSMENT METHOD*
I 2 <sup>nd</sup> cycle	Advanced Business English		L-LIN/12	Other activities	3	20	М
I	Corporate Banking		SECS-P/11	Characterizing	6	40	M
I	Economics of Innovation  Additional teaching for Economics of Innovation	1	SECS-P/06	Characterizing	6	40 10	М
I	Entrepreneurship and Innovation Management		SECS-P/08	Characterizing	6	40	M
I	Quantitative Methods for Management	Mod. 1 Applied Statistics	SECS-S/02	Related additional	6	40	M
II	International Trade Law and M&A Transborder	Mod. 1 International Trade Law	IUS/14	Characterizing	6	40	М
II	Operation	Mod. 2 M&A Transborder Operations	IUS/13	Related additional	6	40	M
II	Management and Governance of Family Firms		SECS-P/07	Characterizing	6	40	M
II	Quantitative Methods for Management	Mod. 2 Applied Mathematics	SECS-S/06	Characterizing	6	40	M
		One cours	e between:	T	1	1	
II	International Business		SECS-P/08	Characterizing	6	40	M
II	Seminar in Entrepreneurship and Innovation Management Additional teaching for		SECS-P/08	Characterizing	6	40	M
	Seminar in Entrepreneurship and Innovation Mar	<u> </u>			8		
		One cours	e between:	T	1		
I and II	Startup Lab		SECS-P/08	Characterizing	6	40	M
I and II	International Marketing Lab		SECS-P/08	Characterizing	6	40	M
	Elective*		NN	D/A elective	6		M
		2nd Y	/EAR				
SEM.	COURSE Title	MODULES Title	Academic Field	DISCIPLINARY FIELD / Type of Teaching Activity	ECTS	HOURS	ASSESSMENT METHOD*
I	Lean Development and Agile Methodologies		INF/01	Other activities	3	20	M
II	International Economics		SECS-P/01	Characterizing	6	40	M
	Additional teaching for International Economics						

		One course between:				
I	Organization: People and Technologies	SECS-P/10	Characterizing	6	40	M
II	Digital Economy	SECS-P/07	Characterizing	6	40	M
		One course between:				
II	Performance Measurement	SECS-P/07	Characterizing	6	40	M
II	Fundraising and Business Planning	SECS-P/07 SECS-P/08	Characterizing	6	40	М
	Elective*	NN	D/A elective	6		M
	Internship**	NN	F/Educational and orientation internships	6	400	Q
	Final exam	NN	E/Final exam	18		J

<sup>\*</sup>J - JUDGMENT M - EXAM Q - QUALIFICATION A - ATTENDANCE

For Internships please see the curricular internship regulations:

www.uninsubria.it/sites/default/files/Documenti Orientamento/RegTirociniDiECO.pdf (in Italian)

#### **ECONOMICS OF INNOVATION CURRICULUM**

	1st YEAR									
SEM.	COURSE Title	MODULES Title	Academic Field	DISCIPLINARY FIELD / Type of Teaching Activity	ECTS	HOUR S	ASSESSME NT METHOD*			
I 2 <sup>nd</sup> cycle	Advanced Business English		L-LIN/12	Other activities	3	20	М			
I	Econometrics of Competitive and Regulated Markets		SECS-P/05	Related additional	12	80	M			
I	Entrepreneurship and Innovation Management		SECS-P/08	Characterizing	6	40	M			
I	Quantitative Methods for Management	Mod. 1 Applied Statistics	SECS-S/02	Related additional	6	40	M			
II	International Trade Law		IUS/14	Characterizing	6	40	M			
II	Quantitative Methods for Management	Mod. 2 Applied Mathematics	SECS-S/06	Characterizing	6	40	M			
		0	ne course amor	ng:						
	International Economics		GEGG D /01	Characterizing	6	40	M			
II	Additional teaching for International Economics		SECS-P/01			10				
I	Seminar in History of Innovation and Economic Growth		SECS-P/12	Characterizing	6	40	М			
II	Seminar in Industrial Dynamics and Evolution		SECS-P/06	Characterizing	6	40	M			
II	Seminar in Machine Learning and Big Data Analysis		SECS-P/06	Characterizing	6	40	М			

<sup>\* 6</sup> ECTS during the first year and 6 ECTS during the second year among non-selected courses offered by the DC or among all courses activated at the Department of Economics or at other Departments of the University.

<sup>\*\* 6</sup> ECTS during the second year between Internships or other educational activities (organized by the Department of Economics or by other Departments of the University).

		0	ne course amo	ng:			
II	Behavioral and Experimental Economics		SECS-P/01	Characterizing	6	40	M
11	Additional teaching for Behavioral and Experimental Economics					10	
П	Transport Economics and Innovation		SECS-P/06	Characterizing	6	40	M
11	Additional teaching for Transport Economics and Innovation					10	
I	Topics in Innovation Economics I		SECS-P/06	Characterizing	6	40	M
		0	ne course amo	ng:			
II	Behavioral and Experimental Economics		SECS-P/01	Characterizing	6	40	M
11	Additional teaching for Behavioral and Experimental Econom	nics				10	
П	Transport Economics and Innovation		SECS-P/06	Characterizing	6	40	M
	Additional teaching for Transport Economics and Innovation					10	
II	Topics in Innovation Economics II		SECS-P/06 SECS-S/06	Characterizing	6	40	M
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	Elective*		NN	D/A elective	6		M
	Internship**		NN	F/Educational and orientation internships	3	300	J
			2nd YEAR				
SEM.	COURSE Title	MODULES Title	Academic Field	DISCIPLINARY FIELD / Type of Teaching Activity	ECTS	HOUR S	ASSESSMENT METHOD*
I	Economics of Innovation		SECS-P/06	Characterizing	6	40	M
I	Organization: People and Technologies		SECS-P/10	Characterizing	6	40	М
II	International Business		SECS-P/08	Characterizing	6	40	M
	Management and Governance of		SECS-P/07	Characterizing	6	40	M
II	Family Firms			8			
II	Family Firms Elective*		NN	D/A elective	12		M

<sup>\*</sup>J - JUDGMENT M - EXAM Q - QUALIFICATION A - ATTENDANCE

For Internships please see the curricular internship regulations:

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<sup>\* 6</sup> ECTS during the first year and 12 ECTS during the second year among non-selected courses offered by the DC or among all courses activated at the Department of Economics or at other Departments of the University.

<sup>\*\*3</sup> ECTS during the first year between Internships and other educational activities (organized by the Department of Economics or other Departments of the University).



#### III - RULES FOR THE CURRICULUM

#### PREREQUISITES: NOT APPLICABLE

#### VALIDATION OF LINGUISTIC AND IT CERTIFICATIONS

Students who already hold a certification which attests the same knowledge level of the mandatory Advanced Business English exam (3 ECTS), may submit a validation application to the Students Services Office.

Certifications obtained in the previous five years with regard to the validation application date may be validated (as agreed upon by the Department's Board of 27 May 2019).

#### Approved certifications:

- BEC HIGHER (Business English Certificate)
- ICFE (International Certificate in Financial English)
- CEIBT (Certificate in English for International Business and Trade)

#### The following certifications:

- CAE (Certificate in Advanced English)
- CPE (Certificate of Proficiency in English)

may be validated exclusively as elective activities or instead of the internship.

The mark correspondence table is available at the Students Services Office.

#### VALIDATION OF PROFESSIONAL ABILITIES OR EXAMS TAKEN IN A PREVIOUS CAREER

In case of enrollment with previous career validation application, the Department, taking into consideration the specific educational objectives of the degree course and anyways in compliance with the educational obligations established by the course's own Curriculum, ensures the validation of the maximum possible number of ECTS. For the purposes of the validation, meetings and tests may be required in order to assess the actual level of previously acquired knowledge.

Some exams may be only partly validated; in this case, students will be asked to integrate the missing syllabus portion, which should be agreed upon together with the course lecturer. Supplementary exams may be taken, after having registered, only in the exam session and not during interim tests sessions.

The Department will consider ECTS obtained 10 years before the validation application as obsolete; therefore, in this case, it will not approve the validation request, nor agree upon supplementary tests and/or exams.

#### ATTENDANCE OBLIGATION: NOT APPLICABLE

Although not mandatory, attendance is highly recommended.

#### **ENROLLING IN SUBSEQUENT YEARS**

There are no career blocks to enroll in the second year.

#### TRANSFER PROCEDURES FROM OTHER DEGREE COURSES

In case of transfers from other Universities, or changes from another degree course, the Department, taking into consideration the specific educational objectives of the course, and anyways in compliance with the educational obligations established by the course's own Curriculum, ensures the validation of the maximum possible number of ECTS.

Some exams may be only partly validated; in this case, students will be asked to integrate the missing syllabus portion, which should be agreed upon together with the course lecturer. Supplementary exams may be taken, after having registered, only in the exam session and not during interim tests sessions.

In case of transfers from a master's degree course from a different class, from the University of Insubria itself or from another University, even if foreign, the Department will assess access requirements and the students' initial preparation as explained above.

For the purposes of the validation of ECTS, meetings and tests may be required in order to assess the actual level of previously acquired knowledge. In case of transfers from one degree course to another from the same LM-77 Class and characterized by substantial homogeneity in the curricula, the number of automatically validated ECTS for the same academic field may not be lower than 50% of the ECTS that students have already obtained.



The assessment for the validation of ECTS is carried out by the coordinator of the degree course. The Department will consider ECTS obtained 10 years before the validation application as obsolete; therefore, in this case, it will not approve the validation request, nor agree upon supplementary tests and/or exams.

#### RULES FOR THE SUBMISSION OF STUDY PLANS AND INDIVIDUAL STUDY PLANS

For the International Business and Entrepreneurship curriculum there are 6 elective ECTS for the first year, 6 elective ECTS for the second year, and 6 ECTS for internships or other educational activities.

For the Economics of Innovation curriculum there are 6 elective ECTS and 3 ECTS for internships or other educational activities for the first year, and 12 elective ECTS for the second year.

The online study plan to indicate elective courses and internships or other educational activities, for the a.y. 2022/2023, must be submitted from 17 October to 16 December 2022.

The coordinators of the degree courses will carry out some orientation interviews to define the study plan. Students are reminded that, for the selection of elective courses non provided for in the list connected to the curriculum, they will have to talk to the Coordinator of the curriculum.

Study Plans that conform to the educational curriculum provided in the ministerial database will be automatically approved, following the procedure provided by the Students Services for the submission of study plans.

Students can submit an individual study plan, provided that this is coherent with the cultural project and suitable for the educational objectives and specific contents of the Master's Degree Course in Global Entrepreneurship Economics and Management.

Individual study plans, which will have to abide by the minimum ECTS established in the different disciplinary fields of the Curriculum, will have to be approved by the coordinator of the degree course or, if the course is organized in more curricula, of the curriculum.

#### **Excess courses**

Should students enter in their study plan other courses besides those required to obtain the qualification, these will be counted as excess courses. ECTS acquired for excess courses will be registered in the students' careers and may count for further recognitions pursuant to current regulations. The marks obtained will not be counted for the purposes of the exams average score (art. 20 paragraph 5 of the University's Teaching Regulations).

In order to facilitate access to master's degree courses, students enrolled in a bachelor's degree course may include in their study plan no more than two extra courses besides those required to obtain the qualification.

The ECTS and the marks obtained for extra courses will not be included in the exams average score, but will be registered in the students' career (Article no. 21 of the University's Students Regulations).

#### INTERNATIONAL INTEGRATED COURSE (DOUBLE DEGREE) ENROLLMENT PROCEDURES

Study abroad initiatives for the students of the Degree Course are carried out mainly within the Erasmus Program and the Double Degree programs.

Students of the Department of Economics who take part in the Erasmus+ Study program may choose as their destination one of the 37 Universities from the 16 European countries with which some bilateral exchange agreements have been established.

The Department has a Delegate for international relations, who (also with the help of other members of the Internationalization Commission) undertakes information and orientation tasks for students who intend to participate in the Erasmus+ Study program. It helps and advises students in the compilation of the learning agreement; approves the learning agreement before they leave, provides assistance via email during their stay at the partner University, approves the conversion of the exams taken abroad. It also has orientation and information functions for incoming Erasmus students, signs their learning agreement and its changes, if needed.

The Delegate for international relations is the first referent for students also for exchange programs (Double Degree) and for foreign students enrolled in the MDS.

The Department has established a Double Degree Committee which works together with the homologous Committees of the partner universities and supervises the actuation and functioning of the program, also in collaboration with the Offices of the Department (Teaching Manager and Foreign Students Office) and of the University (Student Services Office, International Relations/Erasmus Office).



The Double Degree Committee has the following functions:

- selection of the candidates enrolled in the Degree Course who aspire to participate in the Double Degree program;
- coordination with the homologous Committees established at the foreign partner Universities, as provided for in the related agreements, particularly in the management of the Double Degree program and its study plan;
- approval of the students' learning agreements and validation of the career during the Double Degree program;
- approval of the admission of candidates from the partner universities to the Double Degree program and assessment of the documents' correctness (learning agreement).

Within the degree course there currently are four Double Degree programs with the Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena (Jena, Germany), the Universität Hohenheim (Stuttgart, Germany), the Université de Bordeaux (Bordeaux, France) and the recently activated agreement with the University of Applied Sciences - Hochschule Fulda (Fulda, Germany). There also is an international mobility program (extra-EU) with the Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (IIFT, Deemed University) of New Delhi (India).

The degree courses with which the GEEM has double degree agreements require that a certain number of ECTS be obtained through seminars. This is a widespread type of course/exam in Germany in which, after a few frontal lessons with the lecturer which aim to explain the subject basics, students will have to write an academic article on a topic proposed by the lecturer. After having written the article, students will have to present it to the class and discuss it with the other students. In order to prepare students who are about to participate in the DD program for this type of exam, which is very widespread in Europe, students who intend to participate in the DD program, must obtain 6 seminar ECTS in Italy. As a requirement to participate in the Double degree program, students will have to add to their study plan 6 seminar ECTS during the first year, and obtain them by the summer session of the first year. Each curriculum offers seminar courses.

Double Degree program admission procedures - outgoing students:

- 1) After having enrolled in the DC, students will have to manifest their interest (not binding, as there will also be a selection procedure) towards the Double Degree program (declaration of intent) by filling out a specific online form available on the degree course website.
- 2) At the end of the 1st semester, the Department will issue a selection call for students who intend to participate in the Double Degree program, which also provides for the assignment of scholarships.
- 3) The Double Degree Committee supports students in the arrangement of the learning agreement before departure, which will be built following the study plan correspondence tables of the Universities that participate in the program.
- 4) At the end of the study abroad period at the partner University the Committee, on the basis of the learning agreement and of the transcript of records, will validate the exams taken abroad.

#### Incoming students:

- 1) Students coming from foreign universities with which there is a Double Degree agreement must confirm their enrollment in our University through the Incoming Erasmus Students and Visiting Students portal: <a href="https://uninsubria.erasmusmanager.it/Incoming/menu\_iniziale.aspx">https://uninsubria.erasmusmanager.it/Incoming/menu\_iniziale.aspx</a>. Foreign students will have to attach their transcript of records and learning agreement signed by the Double Degree Committee of their University to the enrollment application. When they arrive at the University, the Student Services Office will finalize their enrollment.
- 2 students are selected for the international mobility program (extra-EU) with India every year. At the end of the 1st semester the selection call will be issued for students who intend to participate in the Student Exchange Program, who will be selected by a special committee appointed by the Department's Head. Scholarships are not provided for.

#### Foreign Students' Office

The Department has appointed a Foreign Students' Office (foreign.students.eco@uninsubria.it) with information, orientation and support for foreign students (Erasmus, Double Degree and Students Exchange program participants, international students or degree seekers enrolled in the GEEM), as well as management functions of the related administrative procedures.

Link description: International students' mobility programs

Link: www.uninsubria.eu/international-relations/international-agreements

For further information please refer to the degree course webpage.

www.uninsubria.eu/master-geem

For students with disabilities and/or specific learning disorders, please visit:

www.uninsubria.it/studentidisabilidsa (in Italian)