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Master's degree



Master's in Construction and Real Estate Management

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Overview

Degree	Master of Science in Construction and Real Estate Management
In cooperation with	Metropolia University of Applied Sciences (Helsinki, Finland)
Teaching language	• English
Languages	Courses are entirely held in English language. Both of the universities in Finland and Berlin offer additional language courses (e.g. Finnish and German) for the students.
Full-time / part-time	• full-time
Programme duration	4 semesters
Beginning	Winter semester
Application deadline	The application deadline is the 15 December for the upcoming academic year. Every academic year starts at the Metropolia UAS in Helsinki in September. Detailed information about the application procedure can be found on the official HTW Berlin ConREM website. Please direct all your inquiries regarding application, admission, and enrolment to the HTW Berlin Student Service Centre. Metropolia UAS has no role in the admission/enrolment procedures, even though the studies start in Helsinki.
Tuition fees per semester in EUR	None
Combined Master's degree / PhD programme	No
Joint degree / double degree programme	Yes
Description/content	Studying in the ConREM programme ConREM is an English-taught joint Master's degree programme, which is conducted by the cooperation of the Metropolia University of Applied Sciences (Metropolia UAS) in Helsinki, Finland, and the HTW Berlin, Germany. This means one common admissions policy, one curriculum, one

year in Helsinki, one year in Berlin, and one joint degree. This joint constellation makes the ConREM programme outstanding among other international Master's study programmes, as the home of studies is not one but two European countries. Next to the diverse study locations, the international experience in intercultural courses and teams, in which 40 students represent up to 25 nationalities, prepares our ConREM students to successfully collaborate within the building industry on an international level.

Gaining interdisciplinary knowledge throughout the whole building industry

Based on the students' prior academic knowledge and professional experiences, the programme primarily focuses on expanding the students' expertise into a global understanding of the whole building industry. Therefore, the first-year modules, like Sustainable Development or Renovation and Reconstruction, provide a basic insight into different technical areas, meantime second-year management and communication classes systematically merging these fields. As a result, ConREM graduates can successfully understand and manage complex relationships within the building industry, including aspects from building economics, law, and sustainability.

Work & Career

Successful graduates of the ConREM programme are in great demand, as they can respond to the increasing need for interdisciplinary skills in the real estate management field. Additionally, with accreditation as a Master's degree programme by ACQUIN (Accreditation, Certification, and Quality Assurance Institute), the ConREM programme also provides students with the postgraduate credentials needed to pursue PhD opportunities.

Course Details

Course organisation

Metropolia University of Applied Sciences and the HTW Berlin jointly run the Master's programme, which has a regular study period of four semesters. The ConREM programme only can be started in Helsinki (first and second semesters) and be finished in Berlin (third and fourth semesters). All semesters include so-called modules (lectures) that must be completed by passing a module examination to successfully finish the ConREM programme. Therefore, studying in both locations is mandatory. Accordingly, it is expected from students to be physically present in Helsinki during the first year and in Berlin during the second year of the study programme.

Within the four-semester study period, a special, three-semester module is also included for preparing and writing the Master's thesis. The final mandatory module of the ConREM programme is the actual defence of the Master's thesis (colloquium), which should be completed at the end of the fourth semester. Further information about the mandatory module structure of the ConREM programme can be found here.

Successful graduates of the ConREM programme will be only awarded a joint German-Finnish degree title, if the student possesses at least two years of professional experience prior to the end of the application period of the study programme. As an additional service, these students after graduation can also receive a supplementary certificate from the Metropolia UAS.

Without two years of prior working experience, the student will be awardeda **German degree title** from the HTW Berlin.

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International elements

- Integrated study abroad unit(s)
- Training in intercultural skills
- Courses are led with foreign partners

Integrated study abroad unit(s)

The ConREM Master's degree programme takes place in Helsinki and in Berlin. Therefore, each student must spend two semesters in each country. Finland and Germany.

The first and the second semesters entail full-time studies at Metropolia UAS at the Myllypuro Campus in Finland:

https://www.metropolia.fi/en

The third and the fourth semesters entail full-time studies at HTW Berlin at the Wilhelminenhof Campus in Germany:

https://www.htw-berlin.de/en/

Integrated internships

None

Course-specific, integrated German language courses

No

Course-specific, integrated English language courses

Yes

Costs / Funding

Tuition fees per semester in

None

Semester contribution

Since ConREM students are registered at Metropolia UAS and HTW Berlin, semester fees must be paid to both institutions separately. The HTW Berlin's fee is around 300 EUR per semester. It must be paid during the entire course of the ConREM programme (four semesters). Metropolia does not have any semester fees, but it may charge additional 50 EUR per semester for regranting the right to study (occurs only in special circumstances).

Costs of living

For expenses in Helsinki, such as food, rent, or transportation, you should budget at least 800 to 1,100 EUR/month. This is made up of rent: 450 to 700 EUR, food: 200 to 300 EUR, leisure: 100 EUR. Additional costs: Finnish health care contribution: 35 EUR/semester. Each student can become a student union member (approx. 30 EUR/semester) and can get a public transportation card (approx. 150 EUR/semester).

To cover the cost of living in Berlin, around 700 to 950 EUR/month is required. This is made up of rent: 230 to 400 EUR, food: 150 to 200 EUR, and leisure: 70 EUR. The cost of public transport is automatically included in the HTW Berlin semester fee as a semester ticket (approx. 200 EUR out of the mandatory 300 EUR), which can be reimbursed in the first and second semesters for the time in Helsinki.

You should also factor in the costs for learning materials: 30 EUR/month and health insurance: 50 to 70 EUR/month.

Funding opportunities within the university

No

Requirements / Registration

requirements

- A first academic degree (Bachelor's degree or "Diplom") in civil engineering or architecture
 or a successfully completed Bachelor's degree or "Diplom" in a related subject area with at
 least 180 credits according to ECTS
- An excellent command of the English language (C1 level CEFR)
- Employment certificate of more than two years of work experience (necessary for obtaining the joint German-Finnish degree)
- Exposition

For detailed information about the academic requirements, please see here.

Students will be selected on the basis of the following:

- Grade point average of the first higher education degree (60%)
- Professional experience (30%)
- Exposition (10%)

For further information:

http://www.htw-berlin.de/en/studies/applications

Language requirements

Sufficient command of English, a minimum level C1 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages, must be proven. Recognised certificates include the following:

- TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) score 95
- IELTS (International English Language Testing System) Academic 7.0
- PTE Academic Tests 76
- TOEIC (Test of English for International Communication) 945 points
- CAE (Cambridge English: Cambridge Certificate in Advanced English) and CPE (Certificate of Proficiency in English) – C1
- UNIcert III

Further information about the necessary C1 level language requirement can be foundhere. After the application period, the submitted English language certificates will be additionally checked to prove the authenticity of the certification.

No additional language skills in Finnish or German are mandatory for the study programme.

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Submit application to

International students are required to apply online via the uni-assist portal.

For more information, please contact the HTW Student Service Centre directly:

- via the contact form or
- via telephone hotline: +49 3050192919.

Services

Possibility of finding parttime employment In Finland, international students are permitted to work only to a certain extent. In Germany, international students are permitted to work 120 full days or 240 half days per year on a student

visa.

During the semester, we would advise you to concentrate on your studies, as the programme is very intensive and will take up most of your time. However, during semester breaks, there are normally no lectures or seminars, and so you may wish to work during these periods.

For further information about the part-time employment, please click here.

Accommodation

Student residences in Helsinki and Berlin are not administered by the universities. Instead, they are administered by independent organisations:

- Helsinki Student Housing Foundation "HOAS"
- StudierendenWERK BERLIN

For more information about the accommodation in Helsinki and Berlin, please visit the **Metropolia UAS website** and the **HTW Berlin website**.

Support for international students and doctoral candidates

- Welcome event
- Accompanying programme
- Specialist counselling
- Cultural and linguistic preparation

Supervisor-student ratio

1:10

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