

2nd Cycle Degree Programme in Business Administration, Economics and Finance



DOUBLE DEGREE WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF TWENTE

Overview

The Double Degree **Business** in Administration, Economics and Finance is a cooperation between the University of L'Aquila (Italy) and the University of Twente (The Netherlands).

It is a 2nd cycle degree programme (Laurea Magistrale / Master of Science) on the topics of business administration and management, focus with а on human resource management.

Completing this two-year programme (120 ECTS) will result in **two degrees**:

- 2nd cycle Degree in **Business** Administration, Economics and Finance (LM 77), major in Management, from the University of L'Aquila;
- Master of Science **Business** in Administration (English-taught), major in Human Resource Management, from the University of Twente.

The programme is open to students enrolled at the University of L'Aquila in the first year of the 2nd cycle Degree Programme (Laurea Administration, Magistrale) Business in

Economics and Finance, major in Management.

The main benefit for students is earning two degrees in less time than what would be necessary to complete the two programmes separately. Furthermore, the Double Degree provides students with a unique learning experience in two different countries, within a diverse and multicultural environment.

The programme is structured as follows:

- The first year is carried out at the University of L'Aquila (L'Aquila, Italy);
- The second year is carried out at the University of Twente (Enschede, The Netherlands).

The final thesis, written in English, will be one for both institutions and will be supervised jointly, by at least one supervisor from the University of Twente and at least one form the University of L'Aquila.

In order to earn the Double Degree, students will have to be in compliance with both their home and host universities' rules with regard to credits, attendance, deadlines etc.

Learning objectives

The programme provides a challenging training in the key areas of management and business administration in global contexts, focus human with а on resource management. Students learn how to

integrate knowledge in international business and human resource management into the context of industry and economy-wide issues in order to deal with complex management problems in changing organizations and markets. The programme provides specialist HR expertise, as well as broader business and interpersonal skills.

The **teaching approach** is interactive and combines several teaching methods, including group project works, case studies, role-plays, business games and simulations.

LEARNING APPROACH AND DISTINCTIVE FEATURES

- A low teacher-student ratio, facilitating tailored feedback
- The combination of academic rigour and practical relevance
- Interactive teaching methodologies that foster students' engagement
- · Advanced knowledge and expert skills in business administration and human resource management
- · A focus on leadership skills and soft skills development
- Cross-disciplinary perspective that approaches topics from various academic angles
- · Learning experience in two different countries, within a diverse and multicultural environment

Employment and professional opportunities

The Double Degree programme in Business Administration, Economics and Finance opens up a wide range of career opportunities. Graduates gain both the technical/methodological knowledge and the international experience suited to pursue professional and managerial careers in large corporations dealing with international and multicultural issues, as well as in small and medium sized companies implementing international processes.

The programme emphasizes the strategic role that human resources play in the performance of contemporary organizations, providing students with the knowledge and

skills needed to developing into a skilled HR professional and HR manager, with the ability to apply strategic thinking to analyse business situations and effectively manage human and knowledge capital.

This Double Degree course also prepares students for qualified HR roles in consulting firms, banks and insurance companies, government and public service organisations. This Double Degree course serves as an excellent stepping stone for those wishing to undertake doctoral studies in management or industrial and organizational psychology to pursue academic careers and qualified roles in research institutions.

Study Plan

I Year Course	Credits
l Semester	
Operational Research	6
Applied International Economics	9
Leadership Skills & Organizational Behaviour	9
Planning & Control	6
II Semester	
International Labour Law	9
Labour Economics	6
Design and Management of Inter-Organizational Networks	9
English (Level B2)	6

II Year Course	Credits
I Semester	
Entrepreneurial Leadership & Responsible Organizational Design	5
Strategic HR Analytics	5
Global Talent Management	5
Quantitative and Design Methods in Business Research	3
Qualitative Methods in Business Research	2
Master thesis BA (Part 1) with joint supervision	10
Il Semester	
Finance & Corporate Governance	5
HRM and Innovation	5
HRM and Technology Design	5
Master thesis BA (Part 2) with joint supervision	15

Tuition fees

Students enrolled in the Double Degree programme will be registered at both the University of L'Aquila and the University of Twente, but they will pay tuition fees only at the University of L'Aquila in their first academic year and at the University of Twente in their second year. Students will be

personally responsible for all other related costs (i.e., travel expenses, accommodation and living expenses, visas and travel documentation, etc.). Students enrolled in the Double Degree programme can apply for international mobility scholarships and grants.

Admission

Each academic year, 15 students enrolled in the first year of the 2nd cycle programme in Business Administration, Economics and Finance major in Management (curriculum in Management) can take part in the Double Degree programme.

Details regarding the application procedure, the selection process, deadlines, and further information, will be specified in the call for applications. Students are required to earn a minimum of 30 ECTS, including English Language at the B2 level, before their final admission and enrolment into the Double Degree programme.

Contacts

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The partner institution

University of Twente – Enschede (NL) Established in 1961, the University of Twente (www.utwente.nl) is a research university offering excellent education in fields ranging from engineering and natural sciences to behavioural and management sciences. Most academic programmes are English-taught.

The University of Twente is included in different reputable rankings and places itself among the top 1% of universities worldwide. Below is an overview of leading rankings that include the University of Twente.

Leading rankings that include the University of Twente (UT)	UT overall ranking
QS World University Rankings in 2018	179
QS STARS in 2015	5 stars
Times Higher Education Rankings in 2017	179

Source: https://www.utwente.nl/en/organization/facts-and-figures/rankings/

As an entrepreneurial university, the University of Twente supports and promotes

entrepreneurship at every level, with an outstanding track record in starting up new businesses.

The University of Twente offers an innovative campus located on the outskirts of Enschede, at fifteen minutes cycling from the city centre. The campus covers 146 hectares and it is equipped with world-class facilities, including libraries, state-of-the-art laboratories, and sports facilities.



With over 160,000 inhabitants, Enschede is the largest city in the east of the Netherlands. It is a safe and pleasant city to live and work in. With 30,000 students, Enschede has earned the right to call itself a vibrant student city. More information about student life in Enschede can be found on www.studyinenschede.com