Processing of applications for postgraduate studies in Business Studies

Routines for assessment

- The applications are assessed, to see whether they meet the eligibility requirements (see the General Study Plan). Applicants who do not meet the eligibility requirements are given notice of rejection.

- The Admissions Committee, consisting of the department's professors and associate professors, makes a first selection among the applicants within three weeks after the application deadline (March 31) on the basis of submitted documents and established criteria.

- Selected persons are called for interviews for the respective chosen research area. Other researchers at the department may also participate in the interviews.

- Selected persons among those interviewed shall do a written assignment, consisting of reading a selected article (or articles) and do a brief analysis.

- A final assessment is made by the Admissions Committee and the final decision is taken by the Head of Department.

- The decisions of admission or rejection are normally taken by the Head of Department. Exceptions are specified in the General Study Plan.

- The decision of admission is communicated individually (by regular mail or if needed by email) latest July 1, or, where applicable, when the financing is determined. The financing is for four years of full-time studies and takes the form of either a doctoral studentship (employment) or a scholarship (stipendium) related to a specific project.

Criteria for assessment

The applications are assessed according to the following quality criteria:

- Study background and qualifications: the training/courses the applicant has completed and with what result.

- Theses; Master thesis or, where appropriate, D-essay and other written work.

- The applicant's ability to benefit from postgraduate studies in business studies according to criteria of methodological rigor, theoretical awareness, critical thinking, independence and originality as well as communication skills.

- Research focus and opportunities for tutoring. A prerequisite is that the department can offer a favorable research environment and supervision for the research project in question.