



Marine Ecosystem and Fisheries Sciences (Master of Science)

Application information

Application period: February 15th - March 31st (winter semester)

Semester start: October 01st (winter semester)

Language(s) of instruction: English

Admission requirements (List of all admission requirements as per the current admission bylaws)

University degree

1. A bachelor's degree in Marine Ecosystem and Fisheries Sciences from the Faculty of Mathematics, Informatics and Natural Sciences at Universität Hamburg.
2. Any other bachelor's degree, that provided at least 81 ECTS of foundational coursework in the natural sciences which are comparable to the curriculum of the consecutive bachelor degree Marine Ecosystem and Fishery Science at the Universität Hamburg in the following disciplines:
 - Mathematics (incl. physics and bioinformatics, if available) 6 ECTS
 - Chemistry (general; inorganic, organic, physical, and biochemistry) 6 ECTS
 - Statistics 9 ECTS
 - Biology (including biological oceanography and fishery science) 60 ECTS

If you have not received your degree certificate yet, you can submit this by the end of the first semester of your master's program. Please see the "Documents to submit" section below for details.

Additional special admission requirements

Applicants must have adequate English language skills. Adequate language proficiency may be demonstrated as follows:

- a) CEFR/TELC B2 (English instruction at a state school in Germany for seven years is equivalent)
- b) IELTS 5.0

- c) TOEFL (IBT 80, PBT 500, CBT 170)
- d) Cambridge FCE, CAE, or CPE
- e) Degree from an English language bachelor degree program
- f) University entrance qualification for English speaking universities or
- g) Six months stay in an English speaking country or
- h) Seven years of English lessons at a German-language school.

For details of the legal basis for this regulation, please see the admission bylaws for your chosen degree program: www.uni-hamburg.de/zugang-master

Recognition of transcripts for degree programs completed at foreign higher education institutions

If you obtained your first degree abroad, your certificate will be reviewed during the application procedure in the Faculty of Mathematics, Informatics and Natural Sciences.

If your degree certificate is not in English or German, please include a certified English or German translation of this together with your application documents.

Application

Online application

You will need to complete the online application available on Universität Hamburg's application portal during the application period: www.uni-hamburg.de/online-bewerbung Please create a user account, enter your information online, and submit your application electronically.

You will then need to print out your online application and submit it together with the following documents to the application address indicated below.

Documents to submit

Please submit uncertified copies of all documents. For documents not issued in English or German, a certified English or German translation is required.

- **Signed printout of your online application**
- **Degree certificate or provisional Transcript of Records**
- If you are still studying when you apply and cannot yet provide a final certificate containing your grades, please submit your current Transcript of Records confirming your provisional grade point average. You will then need to submit your degree certificate by the end of the first semester of your master's program.
- **Optional:** Please list all further program-specific documents (e.g., module descriptions, TM-BASE cognitive test, etc.).

- **Optional:** higher education entrance eligibility (e.g., *Abitur*, preliminary review documentation (VPD) from uni-assist, master craftsperson qualification, etc.) as required
- **Optional:** If proof of foreign language proficiency is required, please indicate that a paper copy of this proof must be provided.

Application address

Universität Hamburg
 Institute for Plant Science and Microbiology
 Academic Office
 Rene Koenig
 Ohnhorststr. 18
 D-22609 Hamburg

Please note that your application can only be considered if your complete application documents reach the **application address** by the application deadline. The date on which your application is received and not the postmark is decisive! This deadline is final; no extensions can be granted.

Please bind (staple) all supporting documents required for your application or ensure that loose pages are otherwise bound. The printout of your online application should be the top page. Do not use paper clips, folders, or transparent sleeves.

If you want to submit an **additional special application** (e.g., hardship application), you will need to send this directly to the Application and Admissions Team (Team Bewerbung und Zulassung) together with the required proof separately from the application documents indicated above by the application deadline. For more information on special applications, please see www.uni-hamburg.de/sonderantrag and www.uni-hamburg.de/info-master.

Selection criteria

The selection of applicants within each group will be based on the result of the first higher education degree. The grade of the first higher education degree may be improved through one or more criteria.

- a) Participation in a university exchange program (e.g., Erasmus, DAAD)
- b) Internships (at least continuously 4 weeks) with a clear connection to the content of the master's degree program in Marine Ecosystem and Fisheries Sciences
- c) 2 months' experience in a foreign country

d) At least being an elected student representative on the Student Council or another university council

Each of the activities completed in a) through d) will improve the grade of the first degree by 0.1. Ranking shall be calculated based on the final grade resulting from the addition of the aforementioned points.

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Admission and enrollment

Once your application has been reviewed, an acceptance or rejection letter will be made available in your STiNE account under the *Dokumente* (Documents) tab. Please see the information on applying online for a master's program for details of when this will become available: www.uni-hamburg.de/international-master. An enrollment deadline will be indicated in your acceptance letter—please submit the documents required for enrollment to the Application and Admissions Team (Team Bewerbung und Zulassung) by this date. Please submit certified copies of all documents—see www.uni-hamburg.de/beglaubigung for details.

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