Educational Sciences

Degree conferred
Master of Science in Educational Sciences

Options
For information on the optional award of the distinction «Bilingual curriculum, French/German», please contact the relevant Department (see Contact).
Various options available:
- Globalisierung und Bildung;
- Pädagogik der frühen Kindheit und Kindheitsforschung.

Languages of study
Possibility to study in French, in German or in French and German. Some courses are offered in English.

Commencement of studies
Commencement of studies in the Autumn Semester (September) or in the Spring Semester (February)

Access to further studies
Ph.D.

The Master of Educational Sciences programme consists of the base course and one core study area. In the base course, the students take a module aimed at developing their research skills and a themed module on current challenges in academic and social education. Students have a choice of five electives for their core study area: «Innovation in Education and Training», «Intercultural and Comparative Education», «Globalisation and Education», «Early Childhood Education and Child Research», «Education/Psychology». The «Education/Psychology» elective is taught jointly by the departments of Educational Sciences and Psychology.

The compulsory modules in the Educational Sciences are those which teach students advanced and specialist research skills. These build on the knowledge of quantitative and qualitative research methods that students acquired at the Bachelor level. The module covering current challenges in social and academic education teaches students the bases for systematic, comparative investigation into the question of how the education system is dealing with current social challenges.

In Psychology, the following modules are offered: foundations of psychology, advanced cognitive psychology, advanced occupational and organisational psychology, and clinical psychology.

Profile of the study programme

The educational sciences deal with learning processes and the global issue of social and academic education in children, adolescents and adults. The programmes teach the theoretical bases of social and academic education, developmental psychology and educational psychology.

The Educational Sciences programme is divided into three sections: A base course, consisting of a module which teaches students research skills, and a themed module on current challenges in social and academic education.
preconditions (which must be successfully completed before starting the master’s degree programme) and/or additional requirements (which can be completed during the master’s degree programme). The preconditions and/or additional requirements may not exceed 60 ECTS credits in total. The same applies to holders of a bachelor’s degree awarded by a Swiss university of applied sciences, according to existing agreements.

*The respective conditions of admission for each master's degree programme are reserved.*

**Alternatives**

Also offered as a minor study programme and as a specialisation programme (30 ECTS credits).

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