

UCSC and the University of Wageningen Faculty of Agriculture - Cremona campus

Master of Science in Agricultural and Food Economics Academic year 2018/2019

The program

The Double Degree is an agreement between SMEA (Alta Scuola in Economia Agro-alimentare) and the University of Wageningen (WU) that gives both students enrolled on the Master of Science in Agricultural and Food Economics at UCSC and students enrolled on the biennal Master course in Management, Economics and Consumer Studies (MME) at Wageningen University, the chance to attend the second year of their course at the partner university. Thanks to the mutual recognition of ECTS credits and a thesis supervised by professors from both universities, students participating in the Double Degree will receive both degrees.

The aim of the Double Degree is to pursue the objectives of the two courses, which are both targeted to prepare professionals for the agricultural and food sector, giving students a stronger international background

Entry requirements

The number of students entering the program each year is limited to 3 from each university. To apply for the Double Degree students need to:

- Hold an undergraduate degree or equivalent and have finished the first year of the M.Sc. in Agricultural and Food Economics (57 ECTS)
- Have reached at least 60 ECTS of socio-economic courses, earned either during the undergraduate or graduate degree
- Have an average mark of 24/30
- Provide evidence of English language proficiency (valid TOEFL overall score of at least 92 dated not later than March 31, 2018)

The courses offered in the first year of the M.Sc. in Agricultural and Food Economics at UCSC may be used as prerequisites for the MME program at WU, provided that the study coordinator in Wageningen approves the student study program.

Study program

Students taking their second year of study at WU may take any of the following three specializations of the MME program, provided that the study coordinator in Wageningen approves the student study programme:

- 1 Management studies
- 2 Consumer studies
- 3 Economics, Environment and Governance

In order to complete their programme, UCSC students have to spend at least 18 months at WU.

For each of the three specializations of the MME, the second year follows the <u>program detailed</u>.

Jointly supervised Thesis

A jointly supervised thesis of 25 ECTS has to be performed in order to obtain the degrees at both partner Universities. Some areas in which the thesis can be developed are the following (note: the areas correspond to the specialisations of the MME program at WU):

Area: Management studies

- Business Economics
- Information Technology
- Management Studies
- Marketing and Consumer Behaviour
- Operations Research and Logistics.

Area: Economics, Environment and Policy

- Economics of consumer behavior
- Agricultural and food policy
- Economics of food quality and food safety
- Economics of the food industry
- Economics of food retailing
- Agricultural price analysis
- Economics of biotechnology in agriculture
- Environmental economics
- International trade in agricultural and food products.

Area: Consumer studies

- Communication and Innovation Studies
- Consumer Technology and Product Use
- Economics of Consumers and Households
- Marketing and Consumer Behaviour
- Sociology of Consumers and Households.

How to apply

Students in the first year of study at Università Cattolica MSc in Agricultural and Food Economics that are interested in the Double Degree Programme have to apply through the <u>online application form</u> by March, 31.

Contatti

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