

M12: Master Thesis

General Information		
Module Code	W.MSCBF_MT04.08_EN	
Programme	Master of Science in Banking and Finance	
Type of Module	Core module in focus programme	
Level of Module	Advanced	
ECTS Credits / Workload	15 ECTS Credits (450 hours)	
Module Dependencies		
Pre-requisites	Methodological competence acquired in the course of a Bachelor’s program and the first three semesters of the Master’s program. This includes the principles of econometrics, the research and processing of scientific literature, and a systematic approach. The Master’s thesis builds on the curriculum of Modules 1-7.	
Follow-up modules		
Module Aims		
The Master’s thesis is evidence of a student’s ability to carry out independent investigation and present the results in a way that is scientifically sound, offering practical solutions to a complex issue in their field of study.		
Learning Outcome 1		
To carry out their investigation and produce a comprehensive piece of work, students combine professional, reasoning, problem-solving, and methodological competencies.		
In order for a student to be allowed to submit and defend a Master’s thesis, students produce a preliminary study, which must be a “pass”.		
	Importance	Relevant NQF-Descriptors
Subject knowledge and skills: Students are able to reflect on the topic they have chosen, form their own opinions, and express them competently.	high	knowledge; application; judgement; communication; learning autonomy
Methodology: Students carry out complex research projects in a systematic manner and are selective in the methods they apply in doing so.	medium	knowledge; application; judgement; communication; learning autonomy
Content Outline		
Individual Project		
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Preliminary study (a “pass” is a prerequisite)• Academic paper (weighting: 12/15 credits)• Presentation / defense (weighting: 3/15 credits)		
Students can revise their Master’s thesis if they receive a 3.5 grade. (For details, see regulations for Module 12). If the revised Master’s thesis is accepted, the student receives a 4.0 grade for the module.		
Teaching and Learning Methods		

Contact Hours
Directed Study

Workload

Contact Hours	0 lessons / 0 hours (0%)
Directed Study	0 lessons / 0 hours (0%)
Private Study	450 hours (100%)

Assignments and Assessments

Assessment Type	Quantity	Weight	Form	Evaluation Type	Time
Individual written assignment		%		grades	during semester