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Student Support Services

Master your Master – Everything You Need to Know About Your Studies

Peter Collmer



Agenda – What now?

- Why pursue a Master's degree – and which one?
- Which Master's degree programmes does UZH offer?
- Do I meet the admission requirements?
- What support does UZH offer during my studies?
- Can I study abroad?
- How can I finance my studies?
- I have a disability – where can I find support?
- What does it mean to think inter- and transdisciplinarily?
- What comes after graduation? Continuing education at UZH

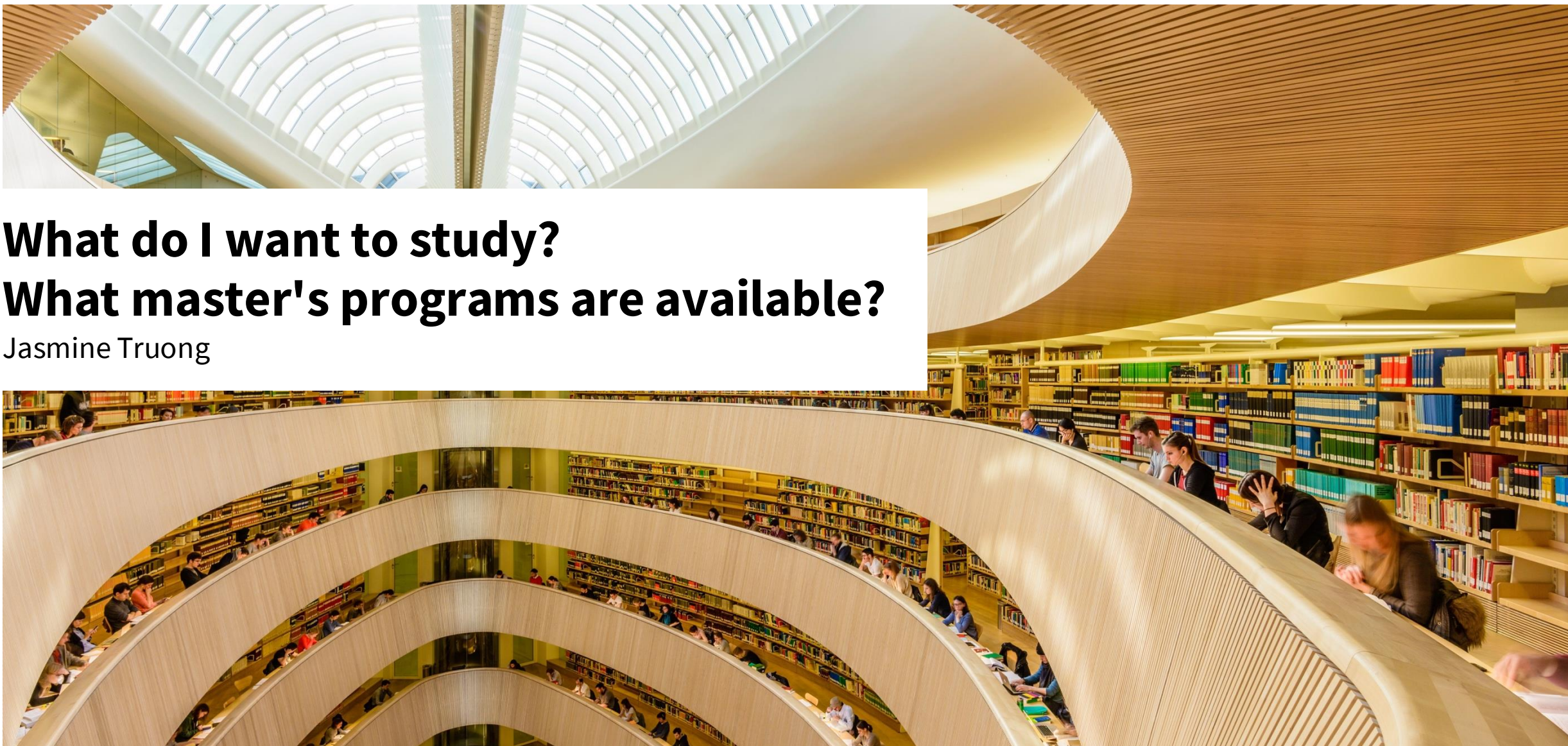




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What do I want to study? What master's programs are available?

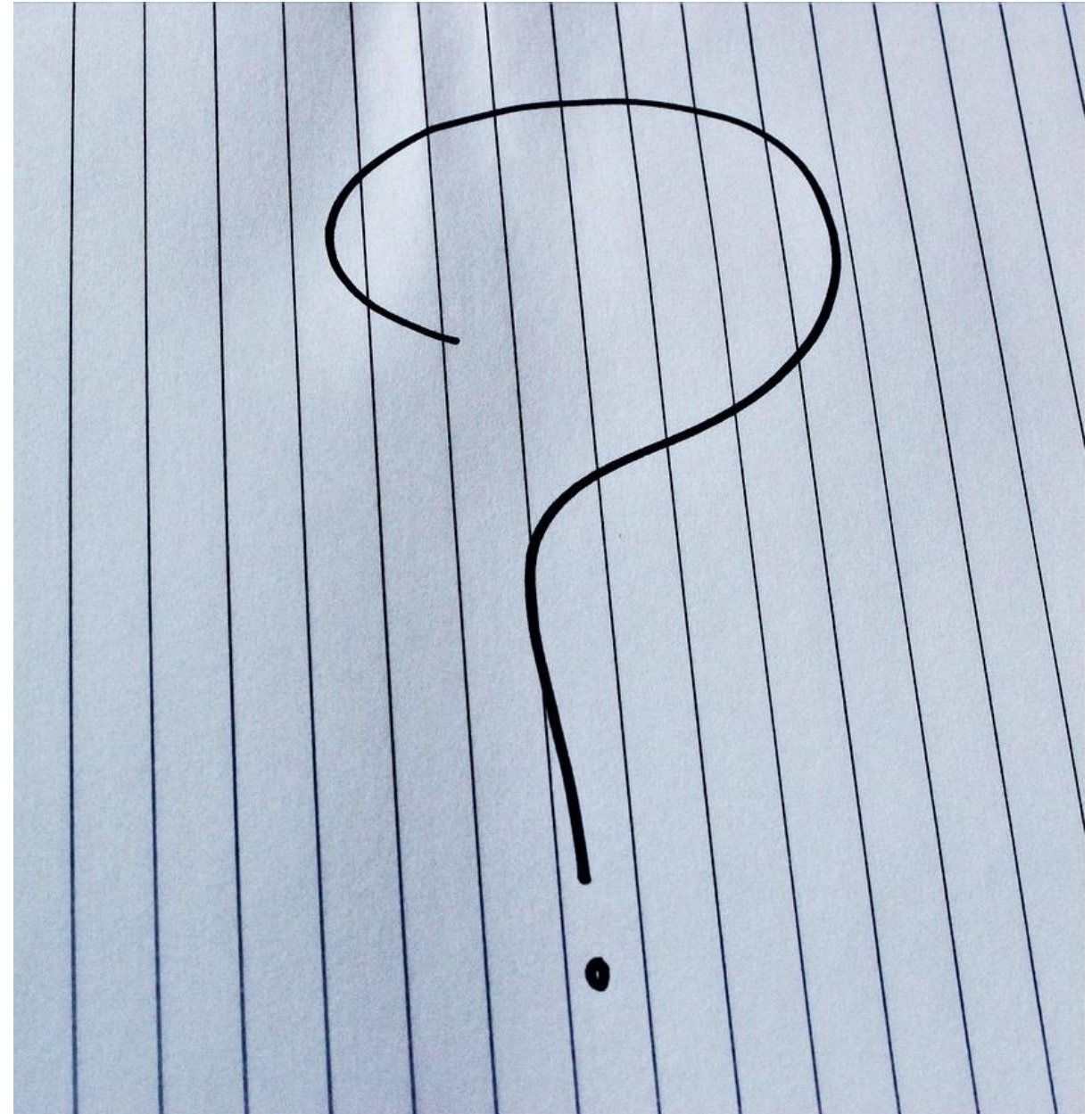
Jasmine Truong



Before starting your master's degree: a moment for (re)orientation

You are about to graduate with a bachelor's degree or have already graduated... Ask yourself some questions!

- Do I want to further deepen my specialist knowledge and expand my scientific methods?
- Do I want to acquire additional professional qualifications? And later take on a management position?
- Am I aiming for a doctoral thesis?
- Do I want to continue studying consecutively, or do I need to adjust my choice?



Before starting your master's degree: Know your options

Depending on the faculty and subject area:

- Study a single program within a degree program (mono)
- Or combine two programs (major and minor)

Available options:

- Consecutive Master's programmes
- Specialised Master's programmes
- Trans- and interdisciplinary degree programmes
- Joint and Double Degrees
- Complementary minors



A master's degree program usually comprises 120 ECTS (full-time study, 4 semesters).

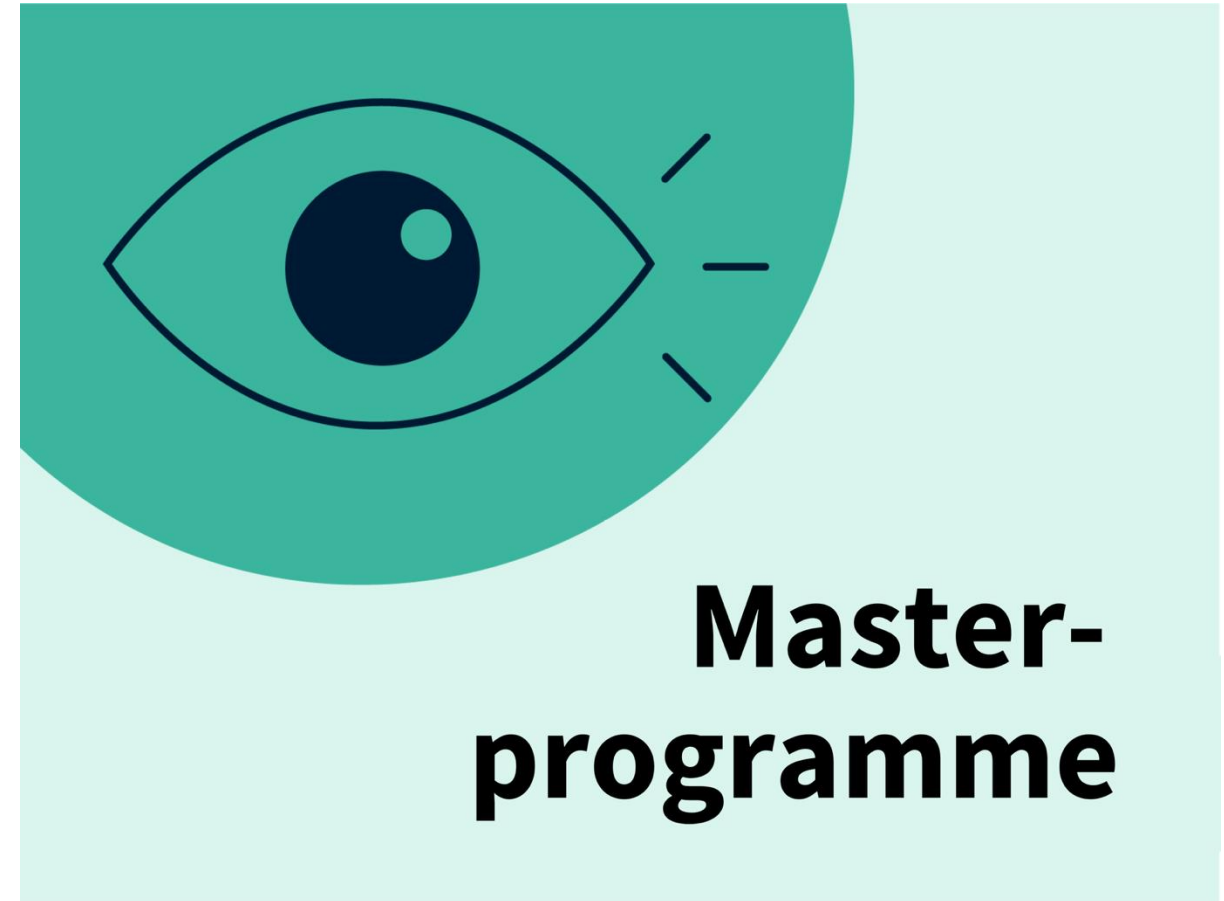


Master's degree programs

Before starting your master's degree: Understanding key terms

A **consecutive** master's program directly follows on from a bachelor's program in terms of content:

- It requires **prior knowledge** from the bachelor's program.
- If these requirements are not met, **conditions** and/or **requirements** (bachelor's modules to be completed) will be imposed upon admission.
- **Requirements** can be fulfilled during the master's program.
- If **admission is granted with conditions**, Master's modules can only be booked once the conditions have been met.
- The **majority** of UZH Master's programs are consecutive.



Before starting your master's degree: Understanding key terms

A **specialized** master's program focuses on a specific topic.

It has no equivalent at the bachelor's level.

Specialized master's programs can be interdisciplinary, application-oriented, or research-oriented, such as:

- Biostatistics
- Chemical and Molecular Sciences
- Economic History / Wirtschaftsgeschichte
- Evolutionary Language Science
- Film Studies SWISS CINEMA NETWORK
- Gender Studies
- Global Futures: Development, Sustainability, Social Justice
- History of the Contemporary World / Zeitgeschichte
- Internet & Society
- Art History in a Global Context
- Cultural Analysis
- Linguistics
- Quantitative Environmental Sciences
- Medical Biology
- Neural Systems and Computation
- Interdisciplinary Brain Sciences
- Literary Studies
- Medieval Studies
- Modern Asian and Middle Eastern Studies
- Computational Science
- Quantitative Finance
- Studi italiani
- Political Communication & Governance
- Strategic Communication & Management

Before starting your master's degree: Understanding key terms

Complementary master's minor programs offer a subject-specific or interdisciplinary supplement to a major program.

Admission is unconditional and without restrictions. Current offerings include, for example:

- Classical Studies
- Vocational and Business Education
- Education in the Life Course
- German Literature: Theory – Analysis – Teaching
- Digital Linguistics
- Gender Studies
- Fundamentals of Moral Philosophy
- Interdisciplinary Archaeological Sciences
- Cultural Analysis
- Medieval Studies
- Methods – Data – Society
- Medieval Latin Philology
- Modern Asian and Middle Eastern Studies
- Social Sciences
- Economic History
(only in combination with Geography)
- Philosophy of Science

Before starting your master's degree: Understanding key terms

Double Degree

Leads to one degree from each of the two partner institutions

Joint study programme offered by two universities

No joint curriculum (two separate curricula combined)

Joint Degree

Curriculum designed by two or more higher education institutions

Admission requirements, modules, ECTS credits and degree completion are governed by shared standards

Study achievements of a comparable scope at both partner institutions



Fast Track study program:

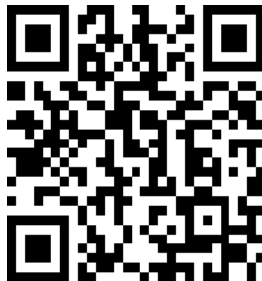
For students with exceptionally good bachelor's degrees who are pursuing an academic career. (Details are regulated in the study regulations.)

Do I meet the requirements?

- **Already enrolled?**– No new application necessary (with a few exceptions)
 - The transition from a bachelor's to a master's degree program means changing your degree program and study program.
 - This change can be made via the student portal.
- **Not yet enrolled? – Application and admission**
 - Applications are submitted online via the application portal.



Changing degree programs and study programs



Application portal



Please note the deadlines!



Language requirements



Everything you need to know about registration





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All about studying

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What does UZH offer alongside your studies?

Student organizations

- Culture, environment, politics, and much more
- Opportunities for participation and engagement within UZH



VSUZH

- Represents all students at UZH
- Organises various events (e.g. dancing at Irchel, speed dating, etc.)
- Provides services such as legal advice, support for projects and events, as well as financial funding



Academic Sports Association Zurich (ASVZ)

- For Brain, Body and Soul
- Offers over 120 different sports
- Multiple locations



What does UZH offer alongside your studies?

Language Center of UZH and ETH

- Learn 14 different languages
- Award of ECTS credits, transferable depending on your degree programme



Studying and top-level sports

- UZH supports you in combining your studies and sports commitments as effectively as possible.
- Important: Start planning your studies early and familiarise yourself with the conditions for combining studies and elite sports.





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Studying abroad

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Global Student Experience

When can you contact us?

- We provide information and advice on the various exchange programs and the application process.
- We support you in planning your exchange stay and are your point of contact for a wide range of questions.

Get in touch with us!

- Visit our website
- Send us an email: outgoing@int.uzh.ch
- Or drop by our service desk without an appointment:
 - Main Building, KOL E 17
 - Monday to Friday, 9:30–12:30



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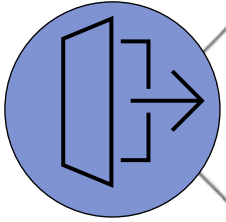
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How do I finance my studies?

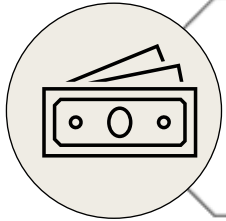
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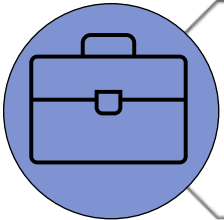
And why is that significant?



Around 20% of interruptions and dropouts from university studies are due to financial reasons



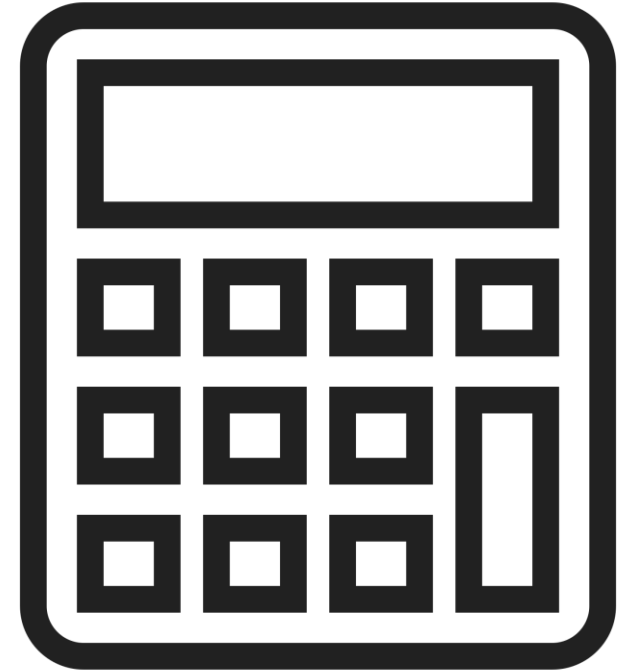
Plan your studies financially together with your parents – this should also include possible crisis situations



67% of all students are engaged in paid employment*



Financial support must be applied for before the start of your studies!



* Source: Federal Statistical Office

How much will my studies cost me?

Estimated minimal budget (per month) CHF

Study costs (tuition fees and teaching materials)	250.-
Catering (away and at home)	450.-
Travel expenses (car, public transport, bicycle)	95.-
Insurance (health insurance, AHV)	200.-
Housing and ancillary costs (rent, heating, and ancillary costs)	910.-
Provisions (taxes)	25.-
Personal items (clothes, hygiene, leisure, cell phone)	270.-
Total	2200.-

*Approximate figures. The cost of living varies greatly from person to person.



Financing your studies: When can you contact us?

Before studying

- For realistic budget planning
- If you and your parents cannot agree on how your studies will be financed

During your studies

- Financial conflicts with parents
- Changes in health (illness / accident / pregnancy)
- Balancing work and studies is no longer feasible
- Fear of debt
- Change of degree programme or subject restriction



Student Financial Aid Office



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Studying with a disability and/or chronic illness

Ulla Blume





Are you studying with a disability and/or chronic illness?

Welcome to the University of Zurich.

We are committed to combating discrimination and ensuring equal opportunities for everyone in everyday university life.



Are you studying with a disability and/or chronic illness?

These include, for example

— Neurodivergences,

e.g., dyslexia, dyscalculia, autism spectrum disorders, Asperger syndrome, attention deficit disorder (ADD)

— Mental health conditions,

e.g., depression, bipolar disorder, PTSD, panic disorder

— Chronic illnesses,

e.g., multiple sclerosis, cancer, long COVID, ME/CFS

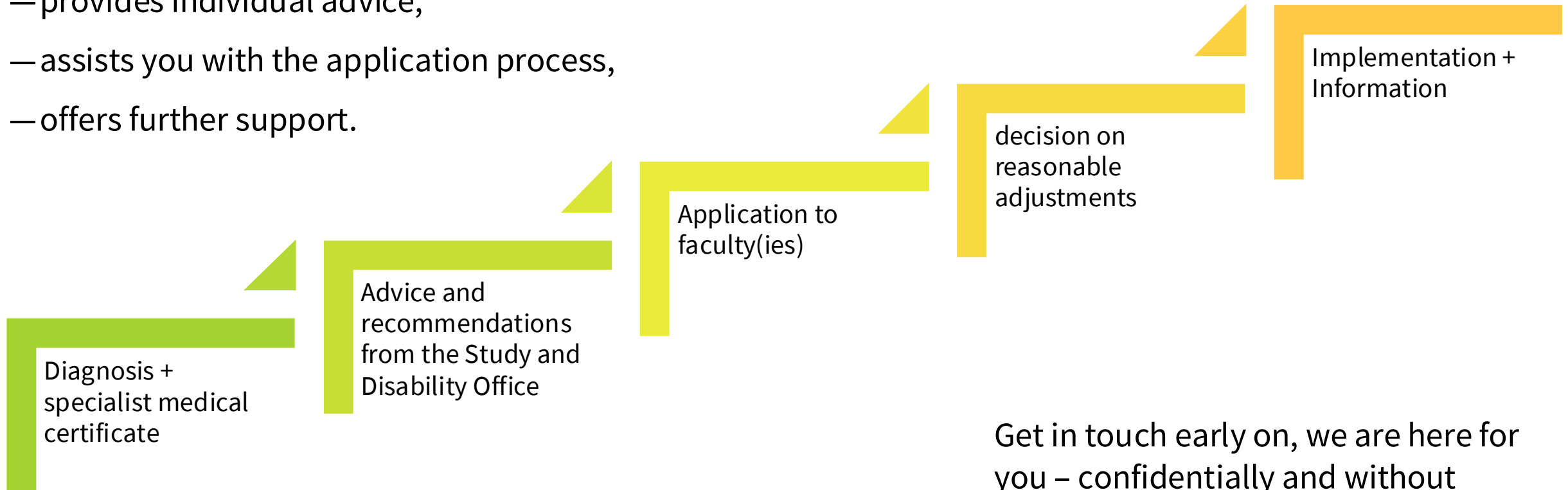
— Mobility or sensory impairments

Are you studying with a disability and/or chronic illness?

You are entitled to **compensation for disadvantages with reasonable adjustments.**

The Office for Students with Disabilities:

- provides individual advice,
- assists you with the application process,
- offers further support.



Get in touch early on, we are here for you – confidentially and without complications.



**Apply for
reasonable adjustments
or extend them for your
master's programm?**





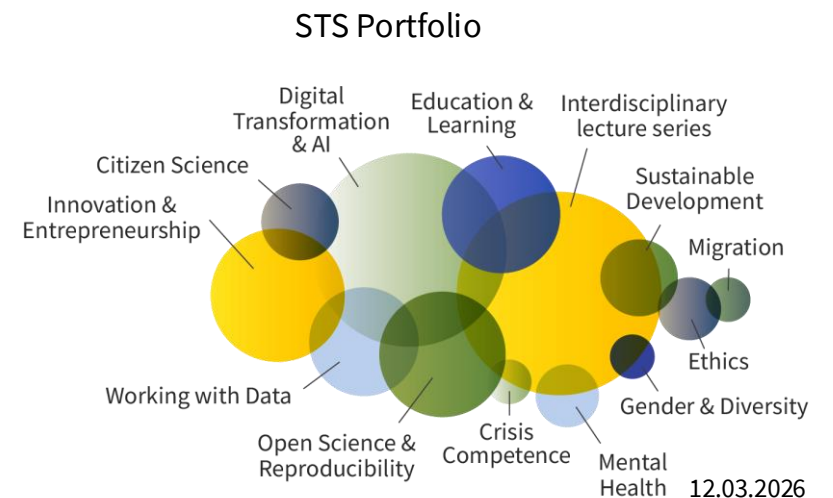
Studying inter- and transdisciplinary topics: School for Transdisciplinary Studies

Julia Berchtold



School for Transdisciplinary Studies (STS)

- Global challenges such as migration, climate change, pandemics, etc. require **transdisciplinary solutions**.
- STS contributes to a study program that enable students to:
 - meet current and future challenges in the best possible way
 - analyze problems holistically
 - develop innovative solutions
- The STS curriculum is **interdisciplinary**:
 - The courses are open to **bachelor's and master's students from all faculties**.
 - The courses are designed jointly by lecturers from different faculties.
- **ECTS credits** can be counted **towards** many study programs.



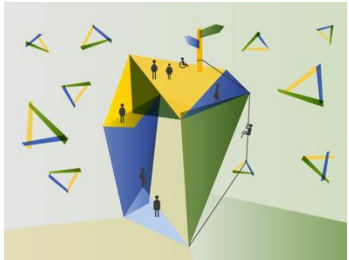
From Electives to Minors: the STS Curriculum is diverse



Inter-/ Transdisciplinary Courses

Students address future-oriented cross-cutting issues and engage with key questions relating to the Grand Challenges of our time.

Topics: Digital Transformation, Ethics, Sustainable Development, Entrepreneurship, AI, etc.



Future Skills:

Courses teach cross-disciplinary and application-oriented skills and focus on interdisciplinary methods.

Topics: AI literacy, Text and Data Analysis, Open Science, Storytelling, etc.

→ The course offerings change every semester.



Interdisciplinary Minor Study Programs:

- **Minor/LAO Digital Skills** from the Digital Society Initiative
- **Minor/LAO Innovation & Entrepreneurship** from the UZH Innovation Hub

Minor - Innovation & Entrepreneurship

New starting in the Fall Semester 2026/27 for Master's Students university-wide: the three-semester minor program (30-ECTS)

- A balanced combination of theory and practice:
 - Incorporates theoretical fundamentals out of the UZH
 - Involvement of experts from companies, startups, and the innovation ecosystem
- Focus on Future Skills – innovation competence, problem-solving, entrepreneurial thinking and adaptability:
 - Translating theoretical concepts into real-world applications
 - Developing entrepreneurial thinking in interdisciplinary teamwork
 - Working on challenge-based and/or start-up projects
 - Developing an interdisciplinary, adaptive understanding of innovation and translating insights into impact-oriented solutions
 - Developing skills to proactively drive change and progress in business and society

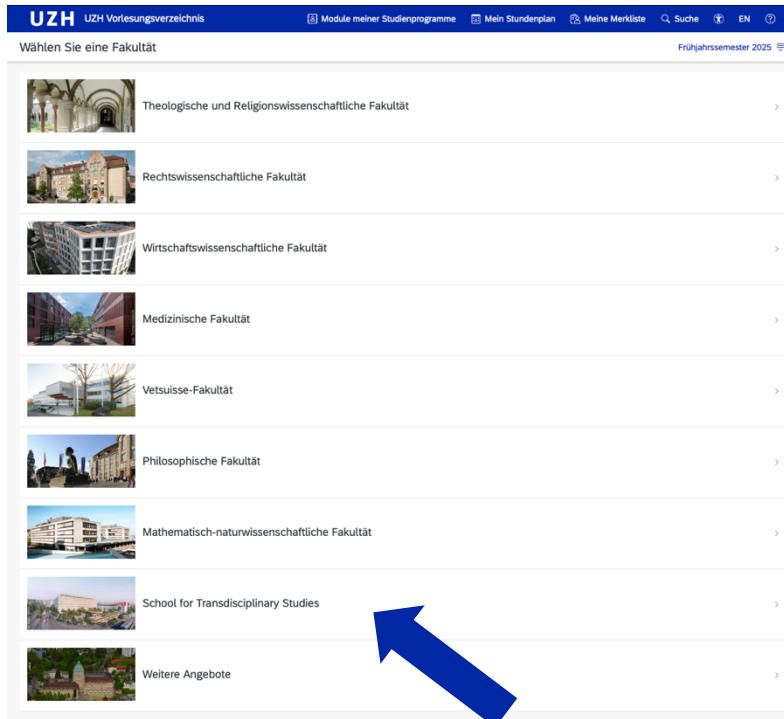


**Jump from Vision to Impact –
Minor Innovation & Entrepreneurship**



Where can you find us?

Course catalogue

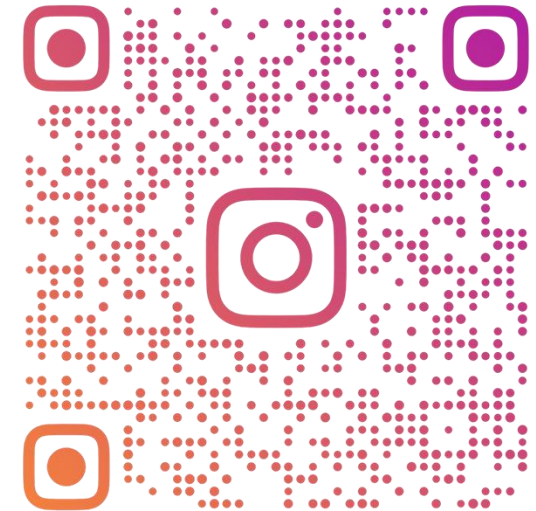


Website



www.sts.uzh.ch

Instagram



[UZH_STS](https://www.instagram.com/uzh_sts)



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What comes after graduation? – Career Services prepares you for the next stage of your life

Julia Michael



Career Services - what happens after graduation?



 Career Services

UZH Career Services is here to support you*

Many UZH degree programmes do not lead directly into a specific profession. After graduation, a wide range of career paths are open to you.

It is advisable to start thinking early about how you would like to continue professionally after completing your studies.



With the online job platform uzhcareer.ch for student jobs, internships and entry-level positions



With support in preparing application documents, through webinars and CV checks



With events where you can meet potential future employers



With individual consultations if you would like to discuss career choices and the application process in more detail

One degree: many opportunities

- **Take responsibility and get involved** in university politics, clubs, or volunteer projects.
- **Network, attend the many events at UZH**, get to know experts and professionals, and above all, look beyond your own field of study.
- **Specialize in seminar papers and bachelor's theses**; it is often possible to write these with partners from the professional world.
- **Gain professional experience, responsibility, and new skills** in student jobs and internships. And yes, earn your own money in the process.



**WHAT
NOW?**



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UZH Continuing Education

Maja Ardüser



Master of Advanced Studies Programs at UZH

Psychology and Psychotherapy

MAS in Medical Psychotherapy

MAS in Health Psychology

MAS in Cognitive Behavioral Therapy with a Focus on Children, Adolescents and Young Adults

MAS in Cognitive Behavioral Therapy and Behavioral Medicine

MAS in Neuropsychology

MAS in School Psychology

Health and Medicine

MAS in Health Psychology

MAS in MedLaw

MAS in Oral Implantology

MAS in Periodontology

MAS in Public Health

MAS in Conservative Dentistry

Management, Finance and Real Estate

Executive MBA – Focus Digital Transformation (en)

Executive MBA – Focus Digital Transformation (de)

MAS in European and Asian Business Management

MAS in Finance

MAS in Real Estate

MAS in Sustainable Finance

Law

LL.M. European Banking and Capital Market Regulation

LL.M. International Business Law (full-time)

LL.M. International Business Law (part-time)

LL.M. International Tax Law

MAS in MedLaw

Humanities and Social Sciences

MAS in Applied Ethics

MAS in Applied History

MAS in Library and Information Science

Language, Communication and Culture

Executive Master in Art Market Studies

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