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German Academic Exchange Service

MSc International Agribusiness and Rural Development (IARD)

<http://www.iard.uni-goettingen.de>

University of Göttingen

<http://www.uni-goettingen.de>
<http://www.uni-goettingen.de/de/sh/5855.html>

Universidad Nacional (UNA)

<http://www.una.ac.cr/>
<http://www.mdr.una.ac.cr/>

Universidad de Talca

<http://www.otalca.cl>

Key Facts:

Deadline: until July 31, 2010
Start: January 2011
Duration: 21 Months

Costs of the program

Tuition fee: ca. 200 €/Semester
Costs of Living: min. 450 € (Ch & CR)
min. 650 € (GER)

Scholarships are offered by the DAAD,
see: <http://www.daad.de>



Introduction

The M.Sc. Program „International Agribusiness and Rural Development“ (IARD) is jointly offered by the Universidad Nacional (UNA) in Heredia, Costa Rica, the Georg-August University of Göttingen (Germany) and Universidad de Talca (Chile). The Universities in Talca and Göttingen have offered a similar program since 2002, where 57 students graduated successfully.

Courses in

- World Agricultural Markets & Trade
- Statistics & Econometrics
- Rural Development & Sociology
- Agricultural Policy
- Supply Chain Management
- Agribusiness Management
- A **German language course**
- **Excursion** to enterprises, governmental and nongovernmental organisations



Master in International Agribusiness and Rural Development

Objectives of the program

- Application of economic theory to problems of agribusiness and rural development
- To analyse and understand the decisions made by enterprises in agriculture and agribusiness
- To develop solutions and strategies to combat hunger, poverty and resource depletion
- To acquire methodological and theoretical skills for scientific analysis

The students of the program IARD will spend the first and second semester at UNA (Costa Rica) or UTalca (Chile). The program will select the four students from every semester, who can continue their studies in Germany with a DAAD-Scholarship, four students per semester will finish their studies in Costa Rica or Chile. A part of the courses in Costa Rica are taught as eLearning modules, the courses in Chile and Germany are taught as presence lectures, courses and seminars.

Requirements

- B.Sc., Diploma or Licenciatura in Agriculture or related discipline
- Good working knowledge of English documented by a TOEFL-test better than 79 pts (or IELTS / Michigan)
- Basic Spanish
- Professional experience of two years
- Letter of intention
- Short research proposal
- Letter of recommendation

Please read our web-site:

<http://www.uni-goettingen.de/en/136176.html>

- Certificates and English-test must be sent in **hard-copy form**
- The rest of the application in **PDF-format** to agribiz@gwdg.de

Structure of the program

University	UNA	Göttingen	Talca
Course-focus	Rural Development	Agricultural Economics	International Agribusiness
January	German Course		German Course
1. Semester February - June	Modules 30 ECTS credits		Modules 30 ECTS credits
2. Semester June - September	Modules 30 ECTS credits		Modules 30 ECTS credits
3. Semester October - March		Modules 30 ECTS credits	
4. Semester March - September	Field research, Master thesis, Colloquium 30 ECTS credits		

Career Perspective

The Masterprogram provides very good career prospects in national and international governmental and nongovernmental organisations and enterprises in agriculture, agribusiness and international trade. Since 2002 many of our Alumni have made excellent careers in enterprises like Concha y Toro, Cargill Spain or organisations like FAO Chile, INDAP Chile, GTZ Ecuador or FLO International.