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The MCA Programme is a private-public partnership between the University of Münster, the AWA Foreign Trade Academy and the Institute of Customs and International Trade Law (ICTL).

The University of Münster lays down the academic standards of the MCA programme. It also regulates the admission and examinations and awards the degree certificate.

The AWA Foreign Trade Academy is responsible for the administration and financing of the Master's programme. It was founded in 1996 and today is Germany's largest training provider in the field of customs.

The Institute of Customs and International Trade Law (ICTL) is responsible for the curriculum. It was jointly founded by the University of Münster and the AWA in 2016 to promote research into customs and trade.



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Quality assurance

With over 30 lecturers from all over the world, the MCA covers a wide range of customs-related subjects. Our lecturers are highly qualified experts with many years of experience. They also provide online supervision for the transfer project and Master's thesis.



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MCA

CUSTOMS, TAXATION AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE LAW
› University of Münster

» The MCA programme

A Master's programme for customs and trade practitioners

The Master of Customs, Taxation and International Trade Law prepares customs and trade practitioners in the private and public sectors for a career as global strategic managers. Graduates are awarded the unique degree Master of Customs Administration (MCA) from the University of Münster, Germany.

HOW DOES THE MCA BENEFIT YOU?

› Comprehensive knowledge

The MCA presents customs within an international context and covers a wide range of related subjects. It thereby provides you with comprehensive knowledge of the political, economic and legal aspects of customs.

› Optimization strategies

Developments in customs law demand an overhaul of trade practices and company processes. The MCA gives you cutting-edge information by renowned customs and trade experts on how to ensure compliance while facilitating trade.

› International networking

Business-to-customs partnerships are fundamental for secure and efficient trade. The MCA opens a dialogue between the public and private sector and gives you the opportunity to network with customs and trade experts from other countries.

› Promotion prospects

After the course, you will be a prime candidate for a senior managerial position in your chosen profession. You will be able to streamline and improve the processes of your organization, identify new trends in international trade and formulate effective policies.

» Structure



The MCA is a part-time online course which lasts 21 months. Lectures are held on three Saturdays a month and recorded for those who are unable to attend.

COURSE PHASES

1

INTRODUCTORY PHASE

- › Overview of module topics

2

LECTURE PHASE

- › Deep-dive into module topics

3

SELF-STUDY PHASE

- › Extended essay
- › Transfer project
- › Master's thesis

4

GRADUATION

- › Graduation
- › Induction into the Alumni Group

» Seminar contents

1

The World Trade Organization and International Commercial Law

- › WTO history, function and institutions
- › Decision-making and dispute settlement
- › International commercial instruments
- › Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)

2

International Customs Instruments and European Customs Legislation

- › WCO customs instruments
- › Regionalization
- › European customs legislation
- › Future developments

3

International and European Taxation

- › Tax sovereignty
- › Double-taxation treaties
- › European tax rules (incl. import VAT)
- › Future developments

4

Trade Facilitation and Supply Chain Security

- › Trade facilitation techniques
- › Risk management
- › Global supply chain security regimes
- › Customs and private sector IT solutions

5

Global Trade Compliance Strategy

- › Corporate compliance
- › Compliance management systems and integration
- › Comparison of export control regimes (EU, US & China)