



# Welcome session

**Master of Science in Commodity Trading**

Wednesday 17 September 2025



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# Programme presentation

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# Welcome message

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# Commodity trading team



Chantal Godel  
**Administrative Support**



Mayween Henchoz  
**Support coordinator**



Sun Vittet  
**Program Manager**

# University of Geneva



- **Type** : Public University
- **Creation** : 1559
- **Rector** : Prof. Audrey Leuba (since 2024)
- **Students** : 17'886 38% international students 24% women (2024)
- **Faculties / Schools** : Sciences, Medicine, Humanities, Social Sciences, Geneva School of Economics and Management (GSEM), Law, Theology, Psychology & Educational Sciences, Translation and Interpreting, Centre and Institutes
- **58<sup>th</sup>** on Shanghai Ranking - Academic Ranking of World Universities  
➡ **3<sup>rd</sup>** Swiss University



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# Faculty - Geneva School of Economics and Management (GSEM)

- **Dean** Prof. Salvatore Di Falco
- **Students** 1'557 46% International students 24% of women (2024)
- **Fields** Commodity Trading, Management, Economics, Finance, Statistics and Information Systems, Wealth Management, Business Analytics

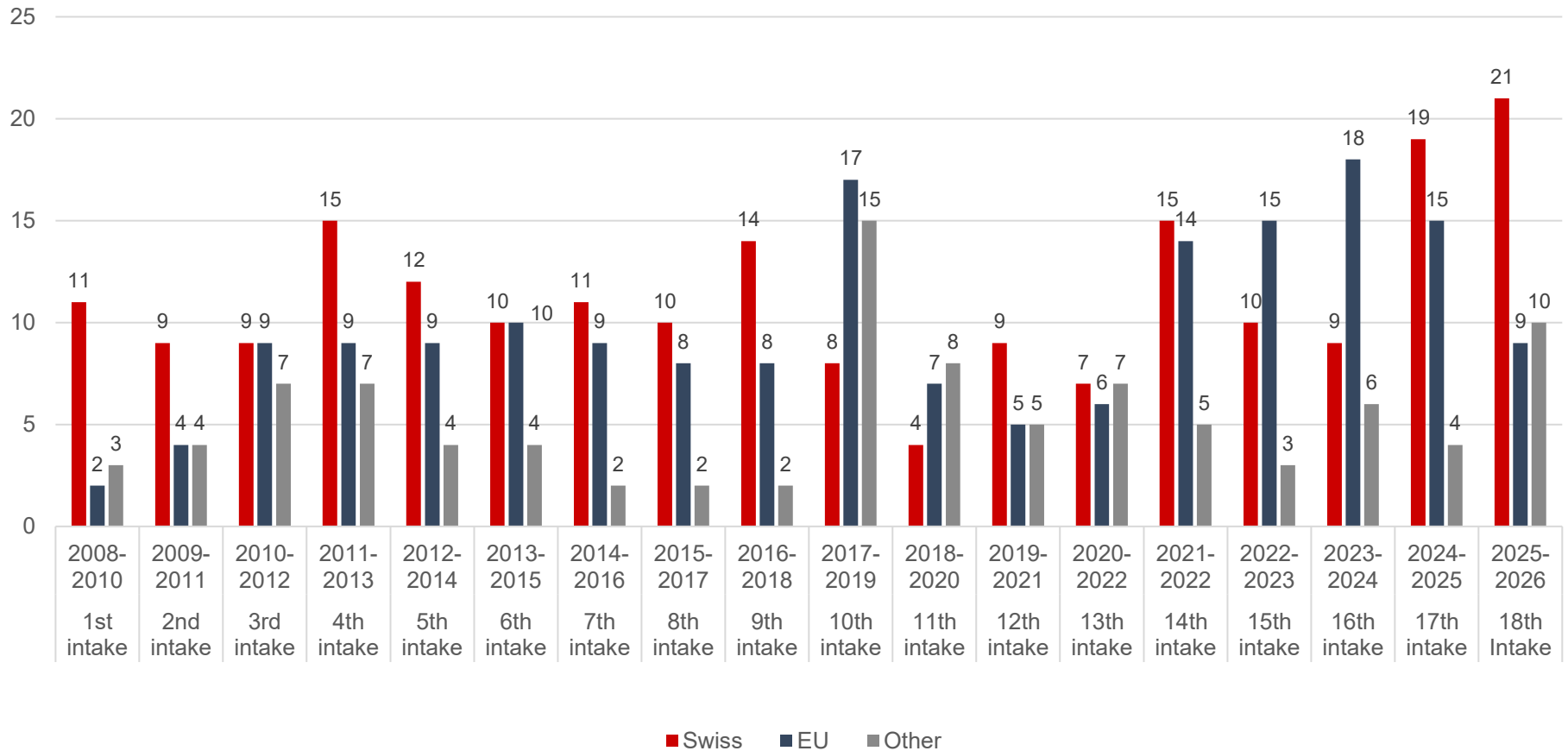
# Our Objectives

- Success rate of 100%
- Constantly update the content of the program
- Keep the high standard of the master
- Meet the commodity trading industry requirement
- Full time employee at the end of the program



# Master of Science in Commodity Trading

## STUDENT'S NATIONALITIES

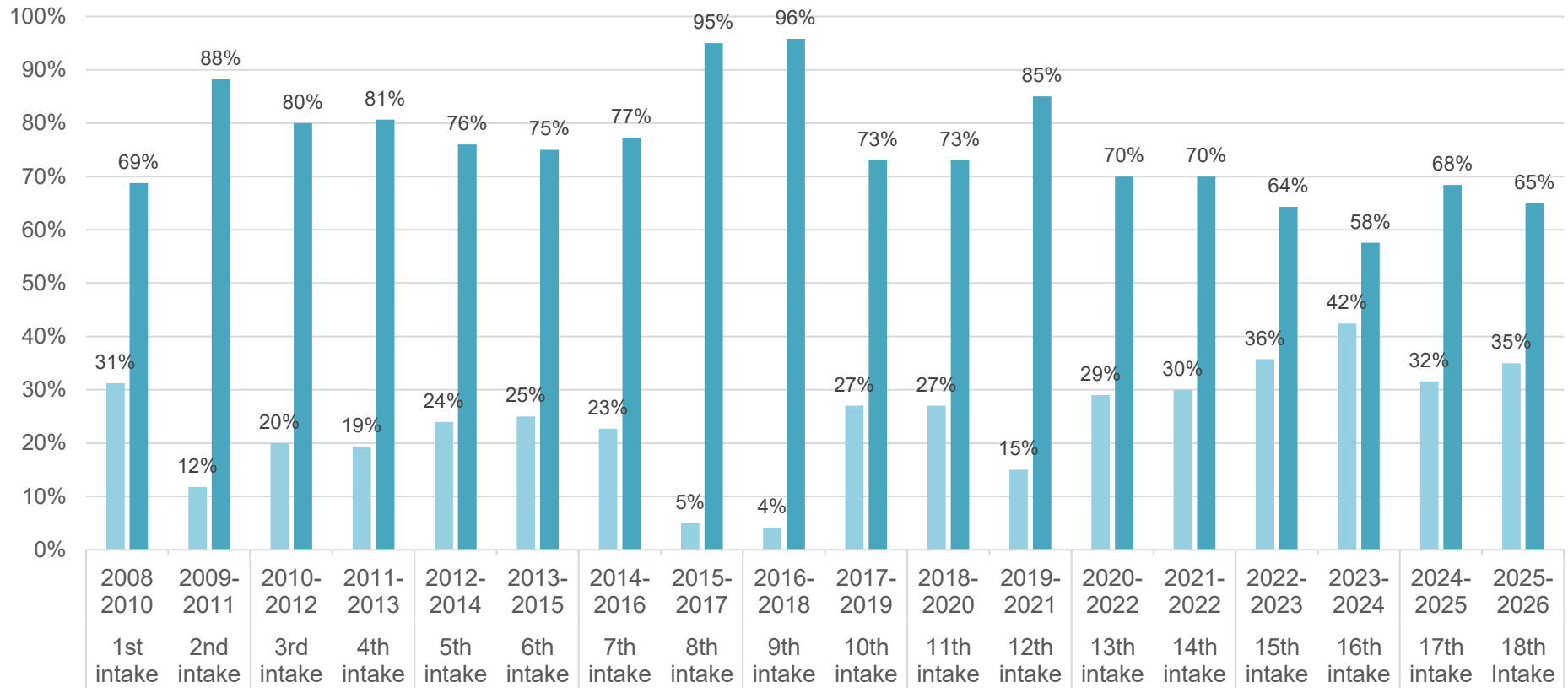


■ Swiss ■ EU ■ Other



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## STUDENT'S GENDER



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■ Women ■ Men

# Master of Science in Commodity Trading – 1<sup>st</sup> semester

September 2025				October 2025				November 2025				December 2025			
Mon	1			Wed	1			Sat	1	Prof. Amir Alizadeh	M2170	Mon	1		
Tue	2			Thu	2	Data Science & Fundamental Analysis	M5383	Sun	2			Tue	2		
Wed	3			Fri	3	Dr Jacopo Piana	M2170	Mon	3			Wed	3		
Thu	4			Sat	4	S417030	M2170	Tue	4			Thu	4		
Fri	5			Sun	5			Wed	5			Fri	5	Sustainability S417056	M2170
Sat	6			Mon	6			Thu	6			Sat	6	Prof. Philipp Krueger	M2170
Sun	7			Tue	7			Fri	7	Legal Aspects & Regulations S417041	M2170	Sun	7		
Mon	8			Wed	8			Sat	8	Me Caroline Clemetson	M2170	Mon	8		
Tue	9			Thu	9			Sun	9			Tue	9		
Wed	10			Fri	10	Data Science & Fundamental Analysis, S417030	M2160	Mon	10			Wed	10		
Thu	11			Sat	11	Dr Daniel Probst	M2160	Tue	11			Thu	11		
Fri	12			Sun	12			Wed	12			Fri	12	Sustainability S417056	M2170
Sat	13			Mon	13			Thu	13			Sat	13	Elsa Pernot	M2170
Sun	14			Tue	14			Fri	14	Shipping S417054	M2170	Sun	14		
Mon	15			Wed	15			Sat	15	Prof. Amir Alizadeh	M2170	Mon	15		
Tue	16			Thu	16			Sun	16			Tue	16		
Wed	17	Welcome Session 17h-19h	MR070	Fri	17	Data, Technology & Innovation S417053	M2170	Mon	17			Wed	17		
Thu	18	International Economics & Trade S417022 09h-15-18h	M5290	Sat	18	Alessandro Sanos	M2170	Tue	18			Thu	18		
Fri	19	Dr. Emmanuel Milet 09h-15-18h	M2170	Sun	19			Wed	19			Fri	19		
Sat	20			Mon	20			Thu	20			Sat	20		
Sun	21			Tue	21			Fri	21	Legal Aspects & Regulations S417041	M2170	Sun	21		
Mon	22			Wed	22			Sat	22	Dr Regina Asariotis	M2170	Mon	22		
Tue	23			Thu	23			Sun	23			Tue	23		
Wed	24			Fri	24	Financial Statements Analysis S417052	M2170	Mon	24			Wed	24		
Thu	25	International Economics & Trade	M5383	Sat	25	Prof. Franck Missonier-Piera	M2170	Tue	25			Thu	25		
Fri	26	Olle Ostensson	M2170	Sun	26			Wed	26			Fri	26		
Sat	27	S417022	M2170	Mon	27			Thu	27			Sat	27		
Sun	28			Tue	28			Fri	28	Legal Aspects & Regulations S417041	M2170	Sun	28		
Mon	29			Wed	29			Sat	29	Sarah Hunt	M2170	Mon	29		
Tue	30			Thu	30			Sun	30			Tue	30		
				Fri	31	Shipping S417054	M2170					Wed	31		

Thursday 09h15 - 18h  
 Friday 14h15 - 20h  
 Saturday 09h15 - 13h

This planning may be subject to modifications.

# Master of Science in Commodity Trading – 2<sup>nd</sup> semester

January 2026				February 2026				March 2026				April 2026				May 2026			
Thu	1			Sun	1			Sun	1			Wed	1			Fri	1	Labour Day	
Fri	2			Mon	2			Mon	2			Thu	2			Sat	2		
Sat	3			Tue	3			Tue	3			Fri	3	Good Friday		Sun	3		
Sun	4			Wed	4			Wed	4			Sat	4			Mon	4		
Mon	5			Thu	5			Thu	5			Sun	5			Tue	5		
Tue	6			Fri	6	Energy II S417158**	MR030	Fri	6	Hedging Tools S417009	MR030	Mon	6	Easter Monday		Wed	6		
Wed	7			Sat	7	Dr Gault & Prof. Luciani *	MR030	Sat	7	Alessandro Mauro	MR030	Tue	7			Thu	7		
Thu	8			Sun	8			Sun	8			Wed	8			Fri	8	Types of Financing S417031	MR030
Fri	9	Metals S417005	MR040	Mon	9			Mon	9			Thu	9			Sat	9	Guillaume De La Ville	MR030
Sat	10	Prof. Michael Tamvakis	MR030	Tue	10			Tue	10			Fri	10			Sun	10		
Sun	11			Wed	11			Wed	11			Sat	11			Mon	11		
Mon	12			Thu	12			Thu	12			Sun	12			Tue	12		
Tue	13			Fri	13	Energy II S417158	MR030	Fri	13	Trade Finance S417057	MR030	Mon	13			Wed	13		
Wed	14			Sat	14	Dr Gault & Prof. Luciani *	MR030	Sat	14	Jérôme Glauser	MR030	Tue	14			Thu	14	Ascension	
Thu	15			Sun	15			Sun	15			Wed	15			Fri	15		
Fri	16	Metals S417005	MR040	Mon	16			Mon	16			Thu	16	Commodity Price Mechanism	M5383	Sat	16		
Sat	17	Prof. Michael Tamvakis	MR040	Tue	17			Tue	17			Fri	17	Prof. Craig Pirrong	MR030	Sun	17		
Sun	18			Wed	18			Wed	18			Sat	18	S417034	MR030	Mon	18		
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Wed	21			Sat	21			Sat	21	Alessandro Mauro	MR030	Tue	21			Thu	21		
Thu	22			Sun	22			Sun	22			Wed	22			Fri	22	Types of Financing S417031	MR030
Fri	23	Writing & Oral skills Seminar Energy I S417003	MR040	Mon	23			Mon	23			Thu	23			Sat	23	Guillaume De La Ville	MR030
Sat	24	Energy I S417003* Dr Gault & Prof. Luciani	MR040	Tue	24			Tue	24			Fri	24	Insurance Seminar 14h15-20h	MR030	Sun	24		
Sun	25			Wed	25			Wed	25			Sat	25			Mon	25	Pentecôte	
Mon	26			Thu	26			Thu	26	Agri Commodities	M5383	Sun	26			Tue	26		
Tue	27			Fri	27	Hedging Tools S417009	MR030	Fri	27	Ivo Sarjanovic	MR030	Mon	27			Wed	27		
Wed	28			Sat	28	Alessandro Mauro	MR030	Sat	28	S417055	MR030	Tue	28			Thu	28		
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\*Energy Sat 08h30-13h30

\*\*Friday 06.02 09h15-12h/14h15-20h

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# Student services - SAE

If you have any issues with:

- Registration to courses/exams
- Grades transcription
- Report du service militaire
- Forms to complete («*Conservation de note*»)
- Medical certificate to be submitted online & original two days after exam (use mail box located beside the main entrance)

3<sup>rd</sup> floor

Room 3287 A

[service-etudiants-gsem@unige.ch](mailto:service-etudiants-gsem@unige.ch)


Monday & Friday

9h30 to 12h00

Tuesday & Thursday

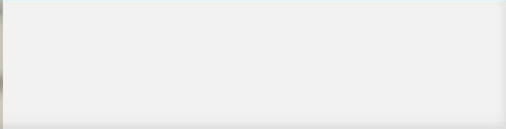

14h30 to 16h30






# Student Intranet

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**ÉTUDIANT-ES**  
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**LOGIN INTRANET**  
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





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☑ Applications  
management

📖 My studies


📄 Study situation

📎 Master thesis /  
Internship /  
Traineeship

📎 My exam seat

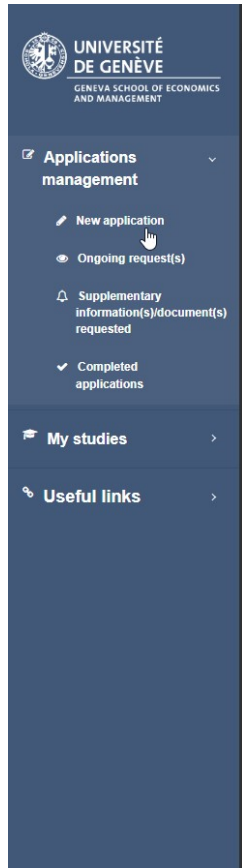
🔗 Useful links

☰ GSEM student Intranet



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# Student Intranet



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### Student request

#### Type of request

What is the subject of your request:

Outside these deadlines, you cannot select the request, see [academic calendar](#).

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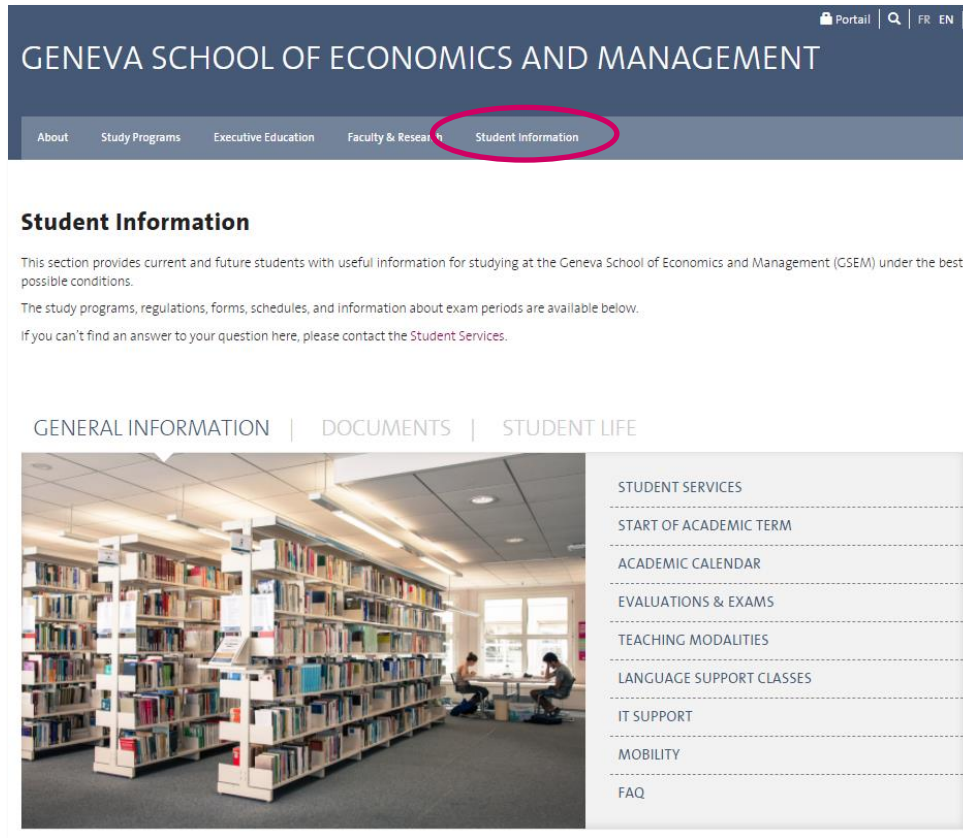
Your student portal allows you to perform actions such as:

- Filling in Forms e.g Conservation de note, absence
- Viewing Individual Grades – available on the portal at the end of the semester
- Updating your personal information, such as your address need to be amended through your portal [my.unige.ch](http://my.unige.ch)
- Starting the process of the traineeship report
- Submitting your final thesis



# Where to find the information ?

GSEM student Services [website](#)



- ✓ Schedules
- ✓ Study plans
- ✓ Study regulations
- ✓ Forms
- ✓ FAQ
- ✓ ...



# Rules and regulations



- Attendance - participation grade/ Punctuality/ Presence sheet
- In person – if absent = retake the course the following year
- Exams (Sit-in & Take Home & Deadline)
- Grades + Thesis + Traineeship Report
- Cheating / Plagiarism
- Use of AI in accordance with UNIGE's policy
- ADEVEN Feedback on each module – mandatory

# ECTS and Completion Timeline

- 51 ECTS spread over the 2 semesters courses
- Traineeship report 24 ECTS = 2<sup>nd</sup> semester
- Thesis 15 ECTS = 3<sup>rd</sup> semester
- A total of 90 ECTS is required to complete this Master

For **Extra-European** students : Master must be completed in maximum of 3 semesters

☞ maximum deadline to submit thesis : **December 2026**

For **non Extra-European** students : Master can be completed in maximum of 5 semesters.

☞ maximum deadline to submit thesis : **December 2027**

# Grading & Retake Policy

- **Mandatory courses: 2 chances maximum (exam + retake)**
- UNIGE grading scale is based on 6.00 (0.00 to 6.00)
- Minimal grade to obtain credits is **4.00/6.00**
- If a 4.00 obtained, you are not allowed to retake the exam to get a higher grade
- Grades are given at 1/4 of point for example: 3.75, 4.00, 4.25, 4.50, ...
- You can validate/keep grades between 3.00 and 3.75 for a maximum of 9 credits
- Use the validation form «*Conservation de note*» via your student portal to validate /keep grades
- Every grade validated/kept is definitively acquired and it is not possible to change your mind

# Official online registration for courses

**Registration : 6-10 October 2025**

- You will receive an **e-mail** when the platform is open – all your official communications will be send to the official address [@etu.unige.ch](mailto:@etu.unige.ch)
- You need to register to the courses following the deadline indicated in the [academic calendar](#)
- You have to register through the «*formulaire en ligne*» on your [portail.unige.ch](http://portail.unige.ch) (do not forget to **SUBMIT** your form and keep the PDF as a proof)
- This registration **does not concern Moodle** (Learning platform) or Media Server (recordings of the course)

# Sit-in Exam Guidelines

## Strictly forbidden during the exam session:

- Mobile phones
- Electronic devices (e.g. smartwatches, tablet, etc.)
- Wearing caps, hoods or beanies
- Earphones
- Writing on your draft paper before the exam begins

☞ Phones must be switched off or set to airplane mode

☞ Bags must be left along the classroom wall

☞ All draft paper, even blank sheets, must be returned

☞ Always bring your student ID card

# Traineeship report

Traineeship report in two phases:

- 1) In October 2025: Announcement & identify 5 objectives with your manager
- 2) Semester n° 2 (June or August 2026) : evaluation by your manager

👉 You must initiate the process through your portal.

<https://www.unige.ch/gsem/en/students/>

# Master thesis

You do not have to register online for the Master thesis.

- 1) Chose your topic and professor by 1<sup>st</sup> May ☞ Send us an email
- 2) Keep your thesis supervisor informed of all changes (topics, submission date)
- 3) Submit your final version only once via the student portal

<https://www.unige.ch/gsem/en/students/>

When your grade is communicated to the *Service aux étudiants*, it will be registered on your grades transcript

Deadline: You may submit your thesis between the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> semester, depending on your profile (Extra-European or other – see slide 19 for details)

You must have min 4.00

# Cheating & Plagiarism

**Academic dishonesty will be dealt with severity and can lead to expulsion and can take the following form:**

Plagiarism and/or attempt at plagiarism is defined as:

- **inclusion of copied material** (whether word by word or close paraphrasing) from published documents without the use of quotation marks to signal such passages or an acknowledgment of their source;
- presenting conceptual ideas or models as one's own when they are in fact someone else's work;
- **using arguments taken from published sources without citing them** in the text or including the references in the bibliography (including web searches!).

Cheating and/or attempt to cheat in an exam violates the same principle as plagiarism and may include the following:

- **copying the work of other participants** in the exam room, or outside it in the case of individual assignments to be completed outside of class;
- **communication between participants during the exam**, unless this is explicitly authorized; and
- **bringing unauthorized materials inside the exam room**, unless this is explicitly authorized, even if the material in question is not used.





# Policy on the use of generative AI tools

- You can use generative AI tools for developing your group presentation(s) and/or individual assignment(s), unless otherwise instructed.

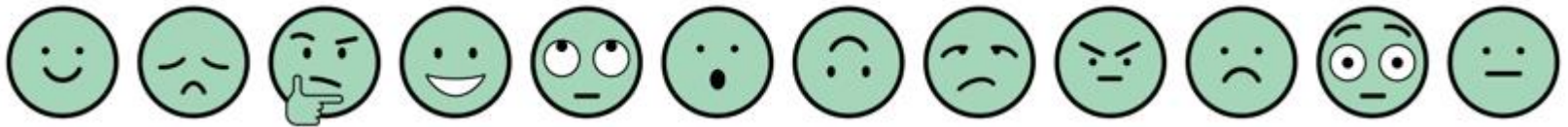
You are provided with access to Microsoft Copilot (via your University login). You also may have (free) access to ChatGPT and Google Gemini (and possibly other generative AI tools such as Claude).

- When using generative AI tool(s) for your work, please add a maximum half-page declaration with the following information:
  1. Identify the generative AI tool(s) you used for your work;
  2. Describe how you used the generative AI tool(s) by disclosing the parts of your work that were developed in collaboration with the generative AI tool(s) and by identifying the contribution of the generative AI tool(s) to these parts; and
  3. Explain your unique contribution above and beyond outputs provided by the generative AI tool(s).
- The University of Geneva statement on (generative) AI also applies (see also the insightful [guidebook on generative AI](#)):

[unige.ch/en/university/politique-generale/statement-ai/](https://unige.ch/en/university/politique-generale/statement-ai/)

# Teaching evaluation surveys by Adeven












- Email received after the end of each courses
- Goal : improve quality of the course
- Mandatory to complete
- Anonymous



**#SmartComments**

**NoTrashComments**

# Important deadlines – Strictly to be respected

-  **Original Diploma:** Must be presented to the Admissions Office by 25 September 2025  
 book an appointment in advance (only for students new to UNIGE)
-  **University Taxes:** Ensure full payment for each semester by the required deadline  
 max. 30 September 2025  
  
 **Failure to meet any of these deadlines may result in expulsion from the Master's program.**
-  **Course Registration:** Complete via your student portal - deadline 6-10 October 2025  
  
 **Failure to meet this deadline, student would have to take the exam the year after.**
-  **Grade Confirmation:** Check and fill in the form “*conservation de note*” to confirm grades (See slide 20) through the portal 1 week maximum after the publication.  
  
 **Failure to meet this deadline will require students to retake any courses for which the grades have not been confirmed.**
-  **Thesis Submission:** Must follow the official timeline. See slide 24.  
  
 **Failure to meet this deadline, you will not graduate from the Master's program**

# Moodle

- Course materials available on [Moodle](#). Password: trading

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Tableau de bord Catalogue des cours Liens externes ▾

**Tableau de bord**  
Vue d'ensemble des cours

Tout ▾ s417022 ✕ Trier par nom de cours ▾ Liste ▾

International Economics & Trade (MSc Trading)  
Economie et Management (GSEM)

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Tableau de bord Catalogue des cours Liens externes ▾

**International Economics & Trade (MSc Trading)**

Cours Paramètres Participant-es Notes Rapports Plus ▾

> Généralités Tout déplier

> Emmanuel Milet

> Olle Ostensson



This presentation is available on Moodle «Opening Session 17.09.2025 & Schedule (MSc Trading)»

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# GSEM Library, UNIMAIL

- Aisle : 9 *Economie, Finance & Management. Commodity Trading Market* : 332.631
- Legal Aspects & Regulations books are with the Law books
- To find a book go to [Swisscovery UNIGE](#)
- Possibility to have a presentation by a librarian
- Opening-hours of the University of Geneva Student Library located at Uni-Mail:

Monday-Friday	8 am - 10 pm
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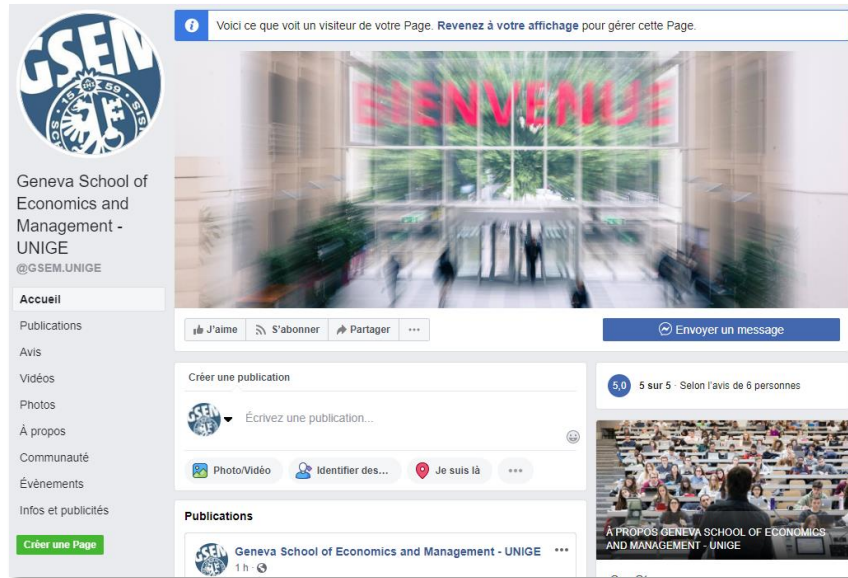
# STIC – Computer station for students

- Office & scientific softwares
- Access computer room
- Finance softwares
  - Eikon, Datastream





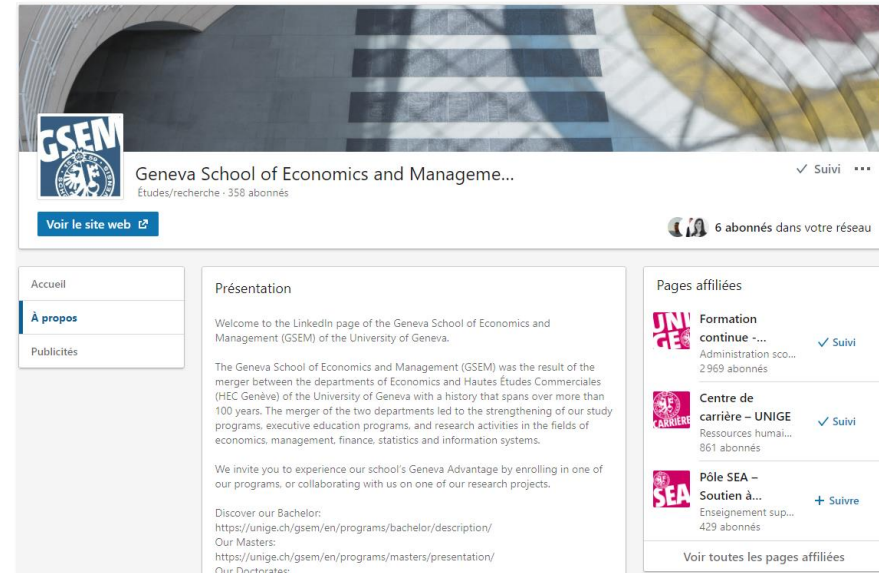
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- If any issue with the classroom (closed), please contact \*333 Securitas with the phone of the welcome desk on the ground floor.
- Hand-free mikes are at the reception and students can get them (with your student card)



# Maison des Langues at Unige

- French lessons (general, theme-based, specialized)

<https://mdl.unige.ch/en/coursdelangues/francais/>

# Class representative

- The class representative handles **communications** and takes the questions emerging from students to the Executive Director of the program.
- The class representatives will also **assist professors** during the class (IT, etc.). Information will be provided.
- The class is in charge of naming a or two representative(s) of the 18th Intake by 20 September 2025
- Field Trip Spring 2026



**Thank you for your attention**

**Any question, please contact us by email**

**[gsem-commodity-trading@unige.ch](mailto:gsem-commodity-trading@unige.ch)**



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