





## DOUBLE DEGREE PROGRAM

with Nord University, Bodø/ Norway



<p><b>Double Degree</b></p>	<p>Students of THN'S Master in International Finance and Economics (M-IFE) can acquire two Master's degrees within two years:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Master in Business, major Finance and Investments (M.Sc., 120 ECTS)</b>, delivered by Nord University and</li> <li>▪ <b>Master in International Finance and Economics (M.Sc., 90 ECTS)</b> delivered by THN</li> </ul>
<p><b>Why a Double Degree?</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Two full degrees within two years</li> <li>▪ International exposure</li> <li>▪ Unique experience abroad</li> <li>▪ Increased job prospects</li> <li>▪ Personal development</li> </ul> 
<p><b>Key points</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The double degree includes <b>two semesters of academic studies at Nord University</b>: Students from TH Nürnberg will attend their <b>3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> semester</b> (if MIFE start was in winter semester) or their <b>2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> semester</b> (if MIFE start was in summer semester) at Nord.</li> <li>▪ Upon successful completion of the double degree requirements (120 ECTS), <b>two separate diplomas</b> are conferred to the student according to the local regulations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The degree from THN: <b>Master in International Finance and Economics (M.Sc.)</b> together with a diploma supplement and transcript of records.</li> <li>○ The degree from Nord: <b>Master in Business, major Finance and Investments (M.Sc.)</b> together with a diploma supplement and transcript of records. The final grade for THN students is based on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 60 ECTS from courses at THN</li> <li>- 30 ECTS from courses at Nord</li> <li>- 30 ECTS from the Master's thesis</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ Language of instruction for all double degree courses at Nord and THN is <b>English</b>.</li> <li>▪ <b>Master thesis</b> (in English and in the field of economics or finance): MIFE students have to prepare, conclude and submit the Master's thesis jointly at THN and Nord. First supervisor for MIFE students is a THN professor, who sets the topic of the Master thesis, and second supervisor is a Nord professor. Grading of the thesis of</li> </ul>

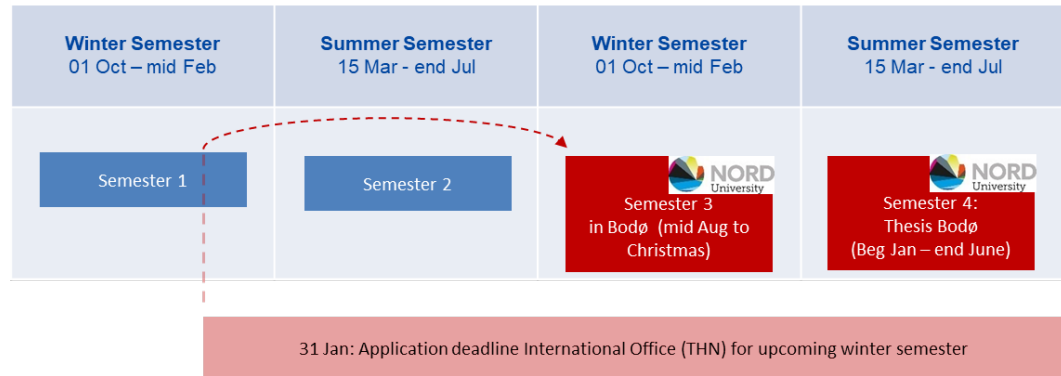
	<p>MIFE students is performed jointly by both supervisors.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ You remain <b>enrolled at TH Nürnberg</b> while being registered at Nord University for the mobility period. Students will pay tuition fees, if any, to their home institution, not the host institution. However, administrative fees etc. might occur at the host institution, which have to be paid by students.</li> <li>▪ Students who <b>failed</b> one or more exams at the host institution are required to retake the respective exams at the host institution, where rules and regulations at the host institutions apply. At Nord, students have three attempts for an exam.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Program structure</b></p>	<p>THN students will spent two semesters at Nord University:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Autumn/Winter semester (from mid-August to mid/end of December)</li> <li>▪ Spring/Summer semester (from the beginning of January until end of June)</li> </ul> <p><b>Courses to be taken by THN students at Nord (60 ECTS):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Strategic analysis</li> <li>▪ Innovation and change processes</li> <li>▪ Capital budgeting</li> <li>▪ Digital business analytics</li> <li>▪ Master thesis (joint grading)</li> </ul> <p><b>Courses to be taken by THN students at THN and recognized by Nord University (60 ECTS)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Fundamentals of Financial Management</li> <li>▪ Corporate Valuation and Value Based Management</li> <li>▪ International Capital Markets</li> <li>▪ Global Financial Institutions and Investment Banking</li> <li>▪ Applied Quantitative Methods</li> <li>▪ International Economics</li> <li>▪ Applied International Research Project</li> <li>▪ Elective 1 (Finance or Economics)</li> <li>▪ Elective 2 (Finance or Economics)</li> <li>▪ Elective 3 (Finance or Economics)</li> </ul> <div style="text-align: right;">     </div>
<p><b>Who can participate?</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Students must be enrolled in THN’s Master Program in International Finance and Economics</li> <li>▪ Selection criteria are grades, language skills and motivation.</li> </ul>
<p><b>How to apply</b></p>	<p><b>Application documents:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Link to <a href="#">Application form from IO</a> (“Applying”)</li> <li>▪ Motivation letter</li> <li>▪ CV</li> <li>▪ Proof of language proficiency</li> <li>▪ Transcript of records</li> </ul> <p>Website: <a href="http://www.th-nuernberg.de/io">www.th-nuernberg.de/io</a></p> 
<p><b>Application deadline and key dates</b></p>	<p>In order to spend the two semesters in Bodø (starting mid-August), <b>apply by end of January</b> at THN’s International Office (IO) first. If successful, the IO will nominate you at Nord University and provide you with further information on the external application procedure of our partner university.</p>

**Key dates at Nord University:**

- Orientation Session: 2<sup>nd</sup> week in Aug (autumn); 1<sup>st</sup> / 2<sup>nd</sup> week in Jan (spring)
- Beginning of Classes: 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> week of Aug (autumn); 2<sup>nd</sup>/ 3<sup>rd</sup> week in Jan (spring)
- Exam Period: Nov – Dec (autumn); May – Jun (spring)

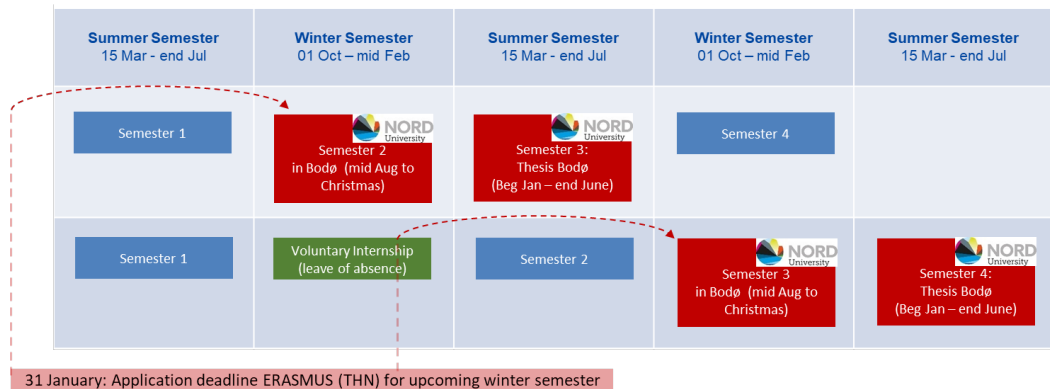
**Timeline**

**Sample timeline for students starting MIFE in winter semester:**



**Sample timeline for students starting MIFE in summer semester:**

Students starting MIFE in summer semester who wish to spend their 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> semester in Norway would apply with their admission letter before being an enrolled THN student. Optionally, they could integrate a voluntary internship in their 2<sup>nd</sup> semester (leave of absence not counted towards study period) and would travel to Norway one year later.





**Nord University**

Nord University is a state university in Northern and Central Norway.

**Some facts:**

- around 11,000 students
- campuses in Bodø, Levanger, Mo i Rana, Namsos, Nesna, Sandnessjøen, Steinkjer, Stjørdal, and Vesterålen
- 180 study programs with a focus on blue and green growth, innovation and entrepreneurship, as well as welfare, health and education
- member of the University of the Arctic
- Nord University Business School established in 1985
- More on <https://www.nord.no/en>

<p><b>Bodø campus</b></p>	<p>The city of Bodø has approx. 50,000 inhabitants and is located just north of the Arctic Circle where the mid-night sun is visible 4 June 4 to 8 July.</p> <p><b>Campus facilities:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Bookstore - Akademia</li> <li>▪ Student Pub - Samfunnet</li> <li>▪ Cantina - StudentiNord</li> <li>▪ Sport Centre PolarGym and Stamina, Swimming pool</li> <li>▪ Hiking and ski trails right outside campus</li> <li>▪ Located close to supermarkets, shopping centers, restaurants and the airport</li> </ul> <p>The main campus in Bodø is located at Mørkved, about 9 kilometers from the city centre. Nord University Bodø hosts 5,000 students, of which around 10 percent are international exchange and degree students. More about the <a href="#">campus</a> (link).</p>	 <p><small>Photo: Kefi (<a href="https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Bodø_havn_3.JPG">https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Bodø_havn_3.JPG</a>), „Bodø havn 3“, <a href="https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/3.0/legalcode">https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/3.0/legalcode</a></small></p>																								
<p><b>Approx. expenses per month</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Accommodation: 3650 – 5950 NOK (single room) depending on study location</li> <li>▪ Food: 2000 – 3000 NOK</li> <li>▪ Public Transport: 440 NOK (with a valid student card in Bodø)</li> <li>▪ Miscellaneous: 1500 - 2000 NOK</li> </ul> <p>More information from <a href="#">Norwegian Immigration office</a> (link). More information from <a href="#">Nord university</a> (link).</p>																									
<p><b>Equivalence Tables</b></p>	<p><b>Equivalence between the Norwegian and the German Grading Systems</b></p> <table border="1" data-bbox="376 1102 849 1541"> <thead> <tr> <th><i>Nord, Norway</i></th> <th><i>THN, Germany</i></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>F</td> <td>5,0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>E</td> <td>4,0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>E</td> <td>3,7</td> </tr> <tr> <td>D</td> <td>3,3</td> </tr> <tr> <td>D</td> <td>3,0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>D</td> <td>2,7</td> </tr> <tr> <td>C</td> <td>2,3</td> </tr> <tr> <td>C</td> <td>2,0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>C</td> <td>1,7</td> </tr> <tr> <td>B</td> <td>1,3</td> </tr> <tr> <td>A</td> <td>1,0</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <div data-bbox="861 1187 1149 1523">  </div> <p>In <b>Norway</b>, the grading scale runs from A to F. The highest grade is A, and E is the lowest passing grade. Pass is used in some subjects. Recognized/Approved means a recognized/approved examination from another institution of higher education.</p>	<i>Nord, Norway</i>	<i>THN, Germany</i>	F	5,0	E	4,0	E	3,7	D	3,3	D	3,0	D	2,7	C	2,3	C	2,0	C	1,7	B	1,3	A	1,0	
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