

DOUBLE DEGREE PROGRAMMES

University of Siena: Master's Degree in Economics
University of Ljubljana: Master in Economics
University of Marburg: Master in Economics and institutions
ANNEX 5 - SELECTION FOR A.Y. 2025/2026

1 - Subject

The present annex contains the specifications relating to mobility places within the Collaboration Programmes with University of Ljubljana (Slovenia) and University of Marburg (Germany), which allow students enrolled in the Master's Degree Course in Economics at the University of Siena to achieve a double degree.

Those who successfully complete the path, in addition to the Master's Degree in Economics, will obtain the Master in Economics at University of Ljubljana, or the Master in Economics and institutions at University of Marburg.

Further information is available on the following website: https://economics.unisi.it/en/course/double-degrees

2 - Applicants and admission requirements

The selection procedure is open to those enrolled in the first year of the Master's Degree (*Laurea Magistrale*) courses in Economics at the University of Siena.

Applicants must have level B2 certified knowledge of the English language, unless otherwise specified by one of the partner universities.

Applicants to the University of Marburg must have level C1 certified knowledge of the English language.

Applicants to the University of Ljubljana are required to have a minimum average grade of 24/30.

During their period abroad as part of the exchange programme, participants must remain fully enrolled at the University of Siena.

3 - Programme description and available places

The following programmes are available:

Degree course in Siena	Partner University	Degree course at the Partner University	Available spots	Mobility period abroad
LM Economics	University of Ljubljana (Slovenia)	MSc Economics	2	1 a. y.
LM Economics	University of Marburg (Germany)	MSc Economics and institutions	2	1 a. y

Double degree students are required to study for one academic year at one of the abovementioned universities. Students must also:



- have obtained, before the beginning of their study abroad period, all first year university credits (CFU) as provided for in their respective study plans, with the exception of courses chosen by students (elective credits). Students who fail to meet this requirement by the deadline will be assessed by the relevant Academic Board, which will decide whether they can remain in the programme;
- prepare their Master's thesis in both universities, in accordance with the teaching regulations of each university;
- defend their Master's thesis in the presence of both supervisors.

Double degree students follow a set study plan, and do not therefore need to prepare a Learning Agreement (LA), except in cases where variations in the academic offer of the two universities has to be managed or a choice has to be made within a group of modules, or when requested by the host university. When a LA is required, the programme coordinator shall sign it in the section dedicated to his/her University.

Modifications to the joint study plan will be possible according to the laws and regulations of both countries and subject to agreement between the partner universities.

Students who, for whatever reason, fail to complete the DD programme but follow teaching activities at the host institution are not awarded a double degree but may apply to the host university for recognition of Exchange student status and the ToR. Such students must expressly inform the host university of their withdrawal from the DD programme and, if necessary, of their request to change to exchange student status in accordance with the terms indicated by the latter. They must also promptly notify the relevant Students and Course Administration Office and the International Relations Division (ddstudents@unisi.it) of their withdrawal from the double degree programme.

4 - Selection of candidates and merit ranking

The Programme coordinator will consider the applications and select candidates on the basis of their submitted documentation. Applications will be ranked by the sum of their points from the following:

- 1. Academic Merit (max 30 points)
 - 0.15* average grades of the student +0.15* (30*credits received by the deadline) +0.7* mark on the degree (marks out of thirty)
- 2. Language skills, academic fit of the proposed exchange and candidate's motivation (max 30 points) will be evaluated by the Programme coordinator during an interview which will be conducted in English.

Regarding point 1, the deadline to be considered is 31/03/2025.

Candidates will receive more details on the interview from the Programme coordinator soon after the application deadline. Those who cannot attend will be considered not assessable for the purposes of the selection procedure.

For more details regarding the ranking formation, please refer to point 3 of the Selection Notice.

5 - Applications

Candidates must upload the following documents with the application form:

- Self-certification of enrolment at the University of Siena and exams taken;
- Self-certification regarding attainment of the Bachelor's Degree, the final grade awarded and all exams taken, with respective grades;



- Motivational letter in English;
- Curriculum Vitae in English;
- Certificate of language competence and any other document deemed useful.

If any documents are missing the candidate will be informed of his/her exclusion from the selection process.