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Master of advanced studies in international taxation

INFORMATION LEAFLET





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Location, schedule and access

Course location

The Master of Advanced Studies in International Taxation (MASIT) will start on **Wednesday, January 10, 2018** in Lausanne. Classes will take place at the University of Lausanne, Dorigny Campus. You can refer to the attached calendar (Attachment 5) to get information on the course content schedule.

Welcome day

On the first day we will all meet at **09:30** for a welcome day at **Room 233 Internef Building**. Find attached (Attachment 2) the detailed information regarding this day. Please bring your laptops with you.

Campus map: http://hec.unil.ch/hec/hec_en_bref/nous_trouver/index.html/

Internef Building map: http://www.hec.unil.ch/hec/hec_en_bref/nous_trouver/internef

Travel to the UNIL campus, Lausanne

A. Public Transport

Train from Zurich

Trains from Zurich-Airport to Lausanne depart every 30 minutes and take 2.5 hours. A second class train ticket from Zurich Airport to Lausanne costs CHF 77.- (one way). From Lausanne train station you can either take a taxi to the UNIL campus or the subway. Please note that some trains from Zurich Airport to Lausanne stop in Biel and may require you to change train.

Train from Genève

Trains from Genève-Airport to Lausanne depart every 10 minutes and take around 50 minutes. A second class train ticket from Genève-Airport to Lausanne costs CHF 27.- (one way).

Train (CFF = Chemins de Fers Fédéraux/SBB=Schweizerische Bundesbahnen)

The CFF has an option to use the half-fare season ticket that reduces the price of all train tickets on the Swiss network by nearly 50%. You can check details of your journey including your transit time and the fare between one location to another by visiting the following website:

<http://fahrplan.sbb.ch/bin/query.exe/en?>

Subways (Metros)

There are 2 underground lines (**M1** and **M2**) in Lausanne. The **M1** Line was previously called TSOL. The **M2** line is quite recent, the service started in October 2008.

[Map of all transport lines available in Lausanne](#)

Fare

Hotel residents will receive a free pass for all Lausanne public transports for the length of their stay at the hotel.

For non-hotel residents, tickets may also be obtained from vending machines which you will find at almost every stop. The fare for a 1 hour single ticket is CHF 3.60. You can also purchase a monthly ticket for CHF 72.-, it will allow you to use all bus lines from 1 to 50, as well as the subway lines. A



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yearly ticket is also possible at CHF 720.-. Information is available at Place St. François (in the post office building) from Monday to Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. and on Saturday, 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., or at the Flon Station, every day of the week including holidays, 6:30 a.m. to 11:45 p.m.

Itinerary

You can check the details of your journey including your transit time and the fare between one location to another by visiting the following website:

<http://www.t-l.ch/voyagez/recherche-itineraire.html>

You have to enter your exact location of departure in the “FROM” field and in the “TO” field your exact destination location.

Bus and metro services stop at about midnight. Later than this, you will have to take a taxi.

B. Private Transport

Taxi

The Taxis in Switzerland are a little bit expensive, we recommend you to use the public transport. However, we provide to you some contacts connected with several taxis companies.

The number to call:

- 0800 810 810 - Coopérative Taxi Services
- 0800 801 801 - Taxiphone
- 0800 818 800 - Taxi Discount
- 0844 814 814 (if you are outside of Lausanne)

Car

Motorway:

-Direction “Lausanne-South”-Exit at “UNIL-EPFL”

-the beginning of UNIL campus starts nearly right after the motorway exit.

Parking

Please click on the below links to get more information on the different parking spaces and prices.

ON UNIL campus: [map](#) & [prices](#)

meals

Food and beverages are not included and will also be at the participant's own charge. Lunch and Dinner is the responsibility of the participant on all occasions other than official events organized by the MASIT team. There are various opportunities to eat on campus and in the city of Lausanne.



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course material

The course material for the month of January and February will be emailed to you. For the following months, the material will be posted online. An iPad will be offered to each MASIT participant to enable you to download your course material anytime. A short IT session will be organized for you on welcome day.

IT requirements

Laptops

Besides iPads, you can also bring your own laptop. Please bring all the necessary power cables and adaptor to Swiss power plugs. The program will not be able to provide any power cables or adaptor.

Internet

UNIL campus: Free secured Wi-Fi Internet access (secure-unil network) is available through your UNIL login access (This will be provided to you on welcome day). Please do not forget to activate your UNIL email account ahead of time by signing online the UNIL "charte" and by changing your password. Should you encounter any problems doing so, please contact the UNIL helpdesk (helpdesk@unil.ch).

We recommend you use UNIL secured network called "secure-UNIL". You should be able to use this network in all UNIL classrooms as well as in UNIL campus public areas.



Electricity

Swiss current is 230V.

Switzerland has different electrical plugs than the US or Europe. Most cords have 3 pins instead of 2. As adaptors are not readily available on campus or at hotels, it is essential that the participant brings his/her own adapter for laptop cord or electronic devices.

clothing

General Clothing Advice

Switzerland is a mountainous country with a continental climate. You are coming to Switzerland in winter. The winters are generally cold and snowy, from January to February the range is normally between -2 to 7 °C. [Swiss climate](#).

Clothing for the courses

During classes, participants are free to dress casually. Formal dress is not required, unless requested.

facts and figures about switzerland

Switzerland has approximately 7,6 million inhabitants, of whom about 21% are foreigners. The country is characterized by its linguistic and cultural diversity. It has four national languages: German, French, Italian.

The Swiss Economy can be considered to be a high price economy. For example, Eating in a restaurant will cost approx. CHF30.- with a glass of water. A soft drink in a restaurant will cost CHF 5.-, a bottle of wine CHF 30.-. Service charges are always included in Switzerland. For special courtesies a small tip is appreciated.



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Lausanne

Lausanne is a city in the French-speaking part of Switzerland, beautifully located at the shores of Lake Geneva. Lausanne is located 39 miles northeast of Geneva. The population of the greater Lausanne area is about 316'000, making it the fourth largest city of Switzerland. For more information please visit: [Lausanne city](#)

The lakeside city of Lausanne, just 60 kilometers from Geneva in French-speaking Switzerland, offers a density of sport, leisure, entertainment and cultural opportunities. The population of the greater Lausanne area is about 316'000, making it the fourth largest city of Switzerland.

Visitors discover a place of ancient history, with pleasant, traffic-free shopping streets and a broad choice of interest and entertainment ranging from museums, galleries and theaters, to ballet, music and nightlife. The Olympic Capital is also an industrious city of learning, business, congress and medical care.

useful links

Please find other useful websites below:

- About Lausanne: <http://www.lausanne.ch>
- About Switzerland: <http://www.swissworld.org/eng> or <http://www.myswitzerland.com/en/home.html>
- About Lake Geneva Region: <http://www.lake-geneva-region.ch/en/index.cfm>
- Train connexion information: <http://www.sbb.ch/en/index.htm>
- Lausanne transport information: <http://www.t-l.ch>
- Taxis information: <http://www.lausanne.ch/en/thematiques/vivre-a-lausanne/residents/transports-stationnement/taxi.html>
- Weather forecast: [Lausanne, Switzerland 10 Day Weather Forecast - weather.com](#)

Useful and important telephone numbers

Emergency Calls:

117 Police in case of emergencies

118 Fire Brigade

144 Ambulance (not in all areas)

Information Services:

1811 Numbers of subscribers within Switzerland, doctors, theatres, etc.

1141 To place calls abroad when direct dialling is not possible

140 Motoring assistance

162 Weather report

163 Conditions of traffic, roads and passes, see also [Traffic and travel news: Where can I find information on current road conditions and traffic forecasts? - www.ch.ch](#)