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Starting your Studies at the Master of Science HES-SO in Life Sciences



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This handbook provides a variety of information, which are helpful for a good start in your Master studies at the Master of Science HES-SO in Life Sciences.

For more information about your studies at HES-SO Master, please see the "Guide étudiantes et étudiants HES-SO Master"

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#### **Email Account**

Your initial credentials are sent on your personal e-mail in July. You will receive a login that will be used during all your studies and a password you will have to change every 6 months, you will be asked to change it again.

#### Webmail HES-SO

The link to have access to your email address: <a href="https://webmail.hes-so.ch">https://webmail.hes-so.ch</a>

#### WiFi Eduroam

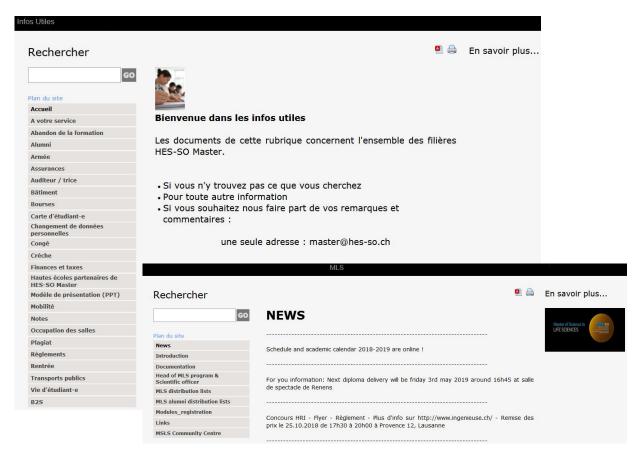
You will find all relevant information to connect to WiFi "Eduroam" on this link: <a href="https://intra3.hessomaster.ch/informatique/wifi\_eduroam">https://intra3.hessomaster.ch/informatique/wifi\_eduroam</a>

#### Access to the Intranet HES-SO Master

Here is the link to the intranet HES-SO Master: <a href="https://intra3.hessomaster.ch/">https://intra3.hessomaster.ch/</a>. You find it also on the website <a href="https://intra3.hessomaster.ch/">www.hes-so.ch</a> at the bottom of the page.

On the tab "Infos utiles", you find a lot of useful information about the HES-SO Master and the studies.

By clicking on the tab "MLS", you also find information related to the Master MLS like job opportunities, contests, schedule, etc.



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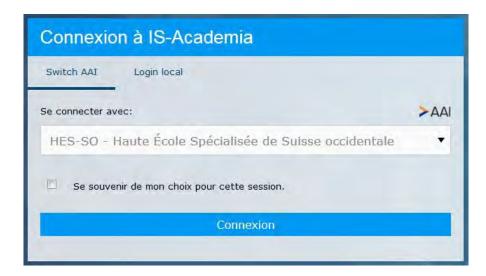
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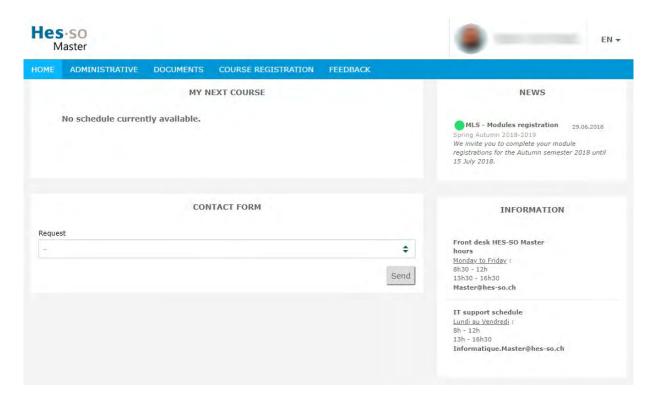
#### Access to IS-Academia

Here is the link to access to IS-Academia: <a href="https://age.hes-so.ch/">https://age.hes-so.ch/</a>

On IS-Academia you have access to your personal information, your summary of marks and your semester certificate. That is also where you register for courses each semester. To log in please use the AAI login with your HES-SO credentials (see below).



You will arrive on this home page. This is also where you will find your summary of marks.



Above are the five main tabs.

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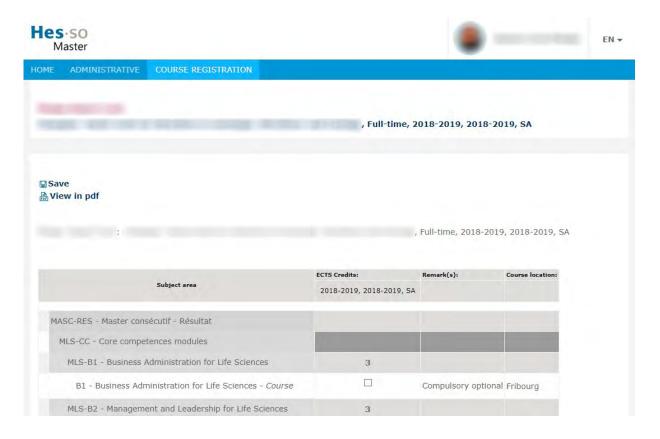
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In the tab "Administrative", you will see your personal information. You have the possibility to change them.

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Permanent ad	ldress	Address City Country		
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In the tab "Course registration", you will choose your courses each semester.



In the tab "Documents", you have access to your semester certificate.

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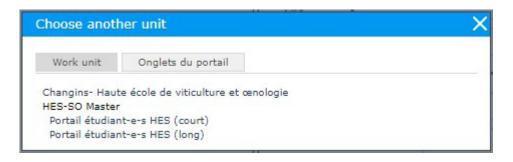
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/!\ Be careful to see the logo HES-SO Master on the left of the page. If it is not the case, you need to follow these instructions :

1. Click on the house icon



2. On the new popup, click on "Portail étudiant-e-s HES (court)" under "HES-SO Master" (tab "Work unit").



After you finish your registration for modules, you can go back to your current school by clicking on your name on the right and then on "Change unit"



On the new popup, click on the name of your school



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### Access to the eLearning platform Moodle

We use Moodle to distribute scripts and information on modules as well as for general information about the studies. There are two independent Moodle platforms:

• **HES-SO**: <a href="https://cyberlearn.hes-so.ch/course/view.php?id=2778">https://cyberlearn.hes-so.ch/course/view.php?id=2778</a>, containing information about the S-modules taught in the different specialisations. To log in please use the AAI login with your HES-SO credentials.





• Cooperation of the Schools: <a href="https://mslscommunitycentre.ch/">https://mslscommunitycentre.ch/</a>, containing all information relevant to the central modules. To log in please use the AAI login with your HES-SO credentials (see below). To access the modules you need a key. You should obtain this key in advance from the coordination office (regular admission) on your student email account or in case of a late registration also from your local programme director. Please contact the coordination office in case you have not receive the key three weeks before the start of the module. The moodle pages also contains the information, which study material has to be printed out by the student in advance of the classes.



Please bookmark both pages for later use.

## **Master MSLS Program**

The Master of Science HES-SO in Life Sciences MSLS is offered in cooperation with three other Swiss Universities of Applied Sciences, namely: Berner Fachhochschule BFH, Fachhochschule Nordwestschweiz FHNW, and Zürcher Fachhochschule für Angewandte Wissenschaften ZHAW. This MSLS cooperation enables students to exchange their professional experiences and expand their personal networks.

Cooperation modules by MSLS are divided into core competence modules relevant to all specialisations, and cluster-specific modules relevant to all the specialisations within one cluster. All cooperation modules are awarded 3 ECTS. Out of 7 core competence modules, at least 5 have to be completed (Table 1). Each cluster offers of up to 6 cluster-specific modules, of which at least 3 have to be completed.

Table 1: MSc in Life Sciences - Curriculum 2018

Module	Responsible	ECTS	Offer	Option
Core competences modules (CC)	MSLS 20 FOTO	7 Modules of 3 ECTS	Minimum 5 modules	
Cluster-specific modules (CS)	cooperation	30 ECTS	5-6 Modules of 3 ECTS	Minimum 3 modules
Specialisation modules (S)	HES-SO	20 ECTS	By specialisation AB, CDP, NRM, VE	Compulsory
Master Thesis	Master MLS	40 ECTS	40 ECTS (X01, X02, X03)	Compulsory

Modules are offered in three different ways. The local Specialisation Modules take place during an entire semester (autumn semester AS or spring semester SS) from Mondays to Wednesdays.

The Core Competence Modules take place on 3½ Fridays per module and are spread over half of the semester. These modules are taught partly in large groups (80-100 students), making up two-thirds of the contact lessons (central teaching), partly locally in small, groups (approx. 20 students). The large-group teaching is in Fribourg for students from HES-SO and BFH. Local teaching takes place intermittently between the large-group teaching sessions on Mondays, Tuesdays or Wednesdays (for the timetable see Schedule HES-SO MLS). Local teaching works with pedagogical concepts typical for smaller groups (exercises, cases studies, debates, group work etc.) and focuses on examples from each specialisation.

The Cluster-specific Modules are organized over half a semester on Thursdays or in one-week blocks as summer or winter schools (Figure 1). The examinations of the modules take place at the local school. The timing is coordinated as detailed in the semester structure above.

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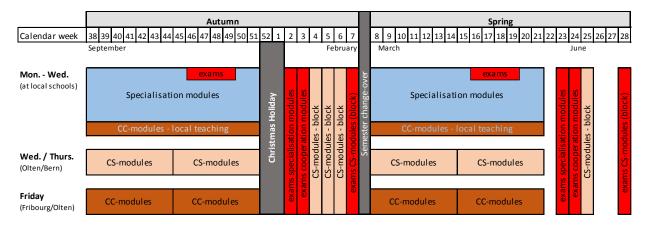
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Figure 1: Schedule of Curriculum MSLS 2018



The module descriptions and annual plan MSLS are available on mslscommunitycentre.ch, the schedule for the HES-SO MLS by specialisations on <a href="https://www.hes-so.ch/mls">www.hes-so.ch/mls</a>

### Venues of the Cluster-specific and Core Competence Modules

#### Core Competences Modules take place as

- Central teaching in Fribourg for HES-SO students: HEIA-FR at Route des Arsenaux 41 in 1700 Fribourg
- Local teaching in Sion for the AB students, in Fribourg for the CDP students, and in Geneva for the NRM and VE students

#### Cluster-specific Modules take place either in

- Olten: Hotel Olten, Bahnhofstrasse 5 in 4601 Olten
- Olten: Bahnhof Buffet Olten, Bahnhof in 4601 Olten or
- Bern: Welle 7, Workspace, Schanzenstrasse 5 in 3008 Bern or
- as a block course at the location specified in the module description

#### **Overview locations**

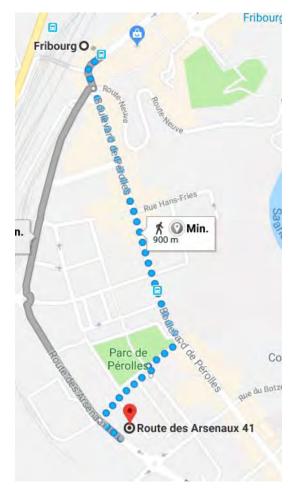
#### Olten:



Bern:



Fribourg:



# Tentative schedule for teaching:

	Core Competences (Friday)
09:15 - 10:00	1. lesson
10:05 - 10:50	2. lesson
11:05 - 11:50	3. lesson
12:05 - 12:50	4. lesson
12:50 - 13:50	Lunch
13:50 - 14:35	5. lesson
14:40 - 15:25	6. lesson
15:40 - 16:25	7. lesson
16:30 - 17:15	8. lesson

	Cluster-specific modules (Wednesday / Thursday)
09:45 - 10:30	1. lesson
10:35 - 11:20	2. lesson
11:25 - 12:10	3. lesson
12:10 - 13:10	Lunch
13:10 - 13:55	4. lesson
14:00 - 14:45	5. lesson
15:00 - 15:45	6. lesson

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**Entry requirements** 

The entry requirements of each module are detailed in the module descriptions (available on https://mslscommunitycentre.ch/). Students are required to do the preparatory work before the start of the module. In some cases, the amount of preparatory work is considerable (e.g. "Handling and visualisation of data" as well as all summer and winter schools). Students have to organize their studies accordingly. Please be aware that some module have an entry test which counts towards the final grade of the module.

### **Grading & Assessments**

For all information related to evaluation, graduation, and reassessment consult the "Regulations for the Master of Science HES-SO in Life Sciences" (on <a href="https://www.hes-so.ch/mls">www.hes-so.ch/mls</a>).

### For CC- or CS-modules offered via the MSLS cooperation

- Justified non-attendance at assessment of competences If for reasons of force majeure a student cannot attend an assessment of competences or a part of it, he/she has to inform the COORDINATING OFFICE and the module coordinator as soon as possibleand provide appropriate proof of the reason for non-attendance. If non-attendance is duly justified, the respective student will receive no grade for the module and will have to participate in the assessment of competences at the next possible occasion. If non-attendance is not duly justified, the student will receive the grade 1.0 for the respective part he/she missed.
- Evidence of performance

  If a student wishes to see the assessment of performance, he/she has to inform the COORDINATING OFFICE within 4 weeks after publication of the grade.
- Irregularities
   Unrighteousness during examinations (plagiarism, fraud etc.) will be detected according to the standards of the school hosting the module coordinator. A student committing unrighteousness will receive the grade 1.0 for the module (if the module is graded) or "fail" (if the module is marked "pass" or "fail"). Further sanctions will be handled by the

### Registration for and withdrawal from modules

school in which the student is enrolled.

Registration to MSLS modules takes place each semester via IS Academia. Further registration and withdrawal have to be agreed upon by the head of the MLS Master. Late registrations are handled on a first come-first serve basis by the COORDINATING OFFICE. One week before the start of a module, the registration becomes final. Students who do not attend a module they are enrolled in get the grade 1.0, unless his absence is duly justified (illness, death in the family etc.). In this case a doctors certificate or another proof has to be sent to the HES-SO Master office and the COORDINATING OFFICE..

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## **Master Thesis - Guide for Students and Advisors**

The Master Thesis project, which includes the modules MLS-X01 (Literature Review and Research Proposal), MLS-X02 (Preliminary Project), and MLS-X03 (Master Thesis), is intended to develop and assess the student's engineering and project management capabilities. The capabilities encompass the ability to analyse, design and implement solutions for technological and scientific problems in the fields of life sciences (chemistry, biotechnology, enology & viticulture, and management of natural resources).



The Master Thesis projects are organized by the MLS specialisations - Applied Biosciences (AB), Chemical Development & Production (CDP), Natural Resource Management (NRM), and Viticulture & Enology (VE). Each specialisation proposes several projects to the students. The Master students can also propose their own projects. A special focus is given to projects related to practical applications and with a link to industrial partners. The student is supervised by a professor of the specialisations. The supervisor is responsible for monitoring the progress and the evaluation of the entire project. In addition, each Master Thesis project is co-evaluated by an expert in the relevant field (from industry or academia).

**Mobility** – there is financial support for students who plan their Master project abroad. If you plan to go abroad, please plan well in advance and discuss your "mobility project" with your supervisor and head of specialisation during XO2.

The following table provides an overview over the organisation and gives practical information about the Master Thesis project (see also Article 26 of the "Regulations for the Master of Science HES-SO in Life Sciences" and the module descriptions on <a href="https://www.hes-so.ch/mls">www.hes-so.ch/mls</a>).

	MLS-X01	MLS-X02	MLS-X03
Title	Literature Review & Research Proposal	Preliminary Project	Master Thesis
ECTS	4	6	30
Semester / Duration	Autumn 4 Weeks after the beginning of the semester, fix the Master Thesis topic (by specialisation heads)	Spring	Autumn 28 Weeks (2 weeks vacations included) <sup>1)</sup> Starts typically in calendar week 33 and ends in calendar week 9 with the report Defense 2 weeks after submitting the report

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	MLS-X01	MLS-X02	MLS-X03
Topic	Get familiar with the overall research topic of the Master Thesis project Get in contact with the relevant project team/partners. Read the most important papers, reviews and books Summarise the primary literature by a "state-of-the-art" overview Create a research proposal for the modules MLS-XO2 and MLS-XO3	Get familiar with the practical aspect of the Master Thesis project Get initial hands-on experience with practical techniques involved Perform preliminary lab work to familiarise with the project Expand theoretical knowledge on special aspects of the Master Thesis Create/update the research proposal for the Master Thesis XO3	Practical work and editing of the Master Thesis Project management and coordination of work between the school and the project partner(s) The Master Thesis is done full-time.
Documents <sup>2)</sup>	Module Description X01  Project Description X01 (by supervisor)  Evaluation Form X01	Module Description X02  Project Description X02 (by supervisor)  Evaluation Form X02	Module Description X03  Project Description X03 (by advisor)  Evaluation Form X03
Assess- ment <sup>3)</sup>	Report (max. 10 pages, E/D/F) Discussion/colloquy with supervisor and project relevant persons	Oral presentation of the project (E/D/F, slides in English; 15 min. presentation & 15 min. discussion)	Report (HES-SO template, E/D/F) Plagiarism check by URKUND Defense (E/D/F, slides in English; 20 min. presentation & 30 min. discussion) One-page summary (NRM; VE) or poster (AB, CDP) in English
Grading	1. Scientific Approach (25%) 2. Report (50%) 3. Discussion/Colloquy (25%)	1. Scientific Approach (25%) 2. Practical Work (50%) 3. Presentation (25%)	1. Scientific Approach (25%) 2. Practical Work (25%) 3. Report (25%) 4. Defense (25%)
Remedia- tion <sup>4)</sup>	A revised report (max. 10 pages) having implemented the corrections and amendments suggested by the jury	A short report (max. 10 pages), including the corrections and amendments suggested by the jury.	If after the defense, the report is considered as not sufficient but the practical work satisfactory, the jury can propose a revision of the report and a second defense. The time allowed for the revision of the report is 4 weeks maximum. If the jury considers the reassessment not to be sufficient the candidate has to re-do the module XO3 on another topic with a new supervisor.
Varia	Confidentiality agreements between project partners have to be in place at the beginning of the project à use HES-SO template		Archiving  - 1 Hardcopy at HES-SO Master  - 1 Hardcopy and electronic data at each site

 $<sup>^{1)}</sup>$  In the case of a longer absence (e.g. Military service, illness) the Master Thesis can be prolonged. A written <u>request</u> with proper certificates has to be submitted to the Head of the specialisation and the Head of the MLS.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2)</sup> The templates can be found on the INTRANET MASTER (http://intranet.hessomaster.ch/)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3)</sup> The Master Thesis project is co-evaluated by an expert in the relevant field (from industry or academia) at the latest at the stage of the module MLS-X02.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4)</sup> See also Article 22 of the "Regulations for the Master of Science HES-SO in Life Sciences"

# **HES-SO Student Card and Support at Local Site**

The HES-SO Student Card is given during the administrative day or sent to you by mail. You can charge the card with money in Lausanne and use this card for printing and copying (in Lausanne only).

#### **Software licences:**

- MATLAB / SIMULINK (HES-SO campus license) on this link.
- SciFinder (HES-SO campus license) ask head specialisation for registration link

Below you find information about local IT support:

AB / HES-SO Valais-Wallis - HEI	CDP / HEIA-FR	
Service Académique will issue a "Badge Master HEI-VS"	Service Académique will issue a "Badge Master HEIA-FR".	
Access to the building & chemistry labs - Badge Master HEI-VS	Access to the building & chemistry labs - Badge Master HEIA-FR	
<ul> <li>Printing</li> <li>Print Account: to check CHF – if more prints are needed they have to buy it at Magasin</li> <li>Access to WiFi and "HEI-VS site"</li> <li>The Master students have to login to Eduroam using prénom.nom@hes-so.ch and their AAI password</li> <li>For more to check</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Printing         <ul> <li>Print Account: 175 CHF – if more prints are needed they have to buy it at Reprographie</li> <li>The "Badge Master HEIA-FR" is used for printing in the "Follow-me Mode"</li> </ul> </li> <li>Access to WiFi and "HEIA-FR site"         <ul> <li>The Master students have to login to Eduroam using prénom.nom@hes-so.ch and their AAI password</li> <li>Disc 0 to store all data related to Master Thesis (L. Perritaz creates folder and access)</li> <li>□ O:\EIFR\CHIM\ETU\Projets\TM2017</li> <li>"Bachelor"-Software via Typhon Installer</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
NMR / hepia	VE / Changins	
There is no badge required at hepia	There is no badge required at CHANGINS	
Printing Free (until a limit fixed at the beginning of the semester) from school PCs after login with hepia account.	Printing Free from school PCs after login with CHANGINS account. For "excessive" printing a card has to be bought at the welcome desk.	
Access to WiFi and hepia site  - Login possible through public WiFi  - Login to Eduroam using prénom.nom@hes-so.ch and their AAI password	Access to WiFi and CHANGINS site  - Login possible through public WiFi or Eduroam  - Students get a CHANGINS account (firstname.name@changins.ch) which allows them to access the local CHANGINS network and Web of Science	

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The actual HES-SO Master MLS Regulations (in French and English) are available on the website <a href="https://www.hes-so.ch/mls">www.hes-so.ch/mls</a>

The MLS Schedule by specialisation is available on the website <a href="https://www.hes-so.ch/mls">www.hes-so.ch/mls</a>

Templates for Power Point Presentations, Master Thesis Projects X01/X02/X03, Master Thesis Report are available on the HES-SO MLS Intranet "<u>Documentation</u>"

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