UZH International Summer Schools

How Switzerland got rich
5 – 24 July 2020

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Institute of Sociology
in collaboration with the International Relations Office
Course Description

This Summer School looks at the development of Switzerland into one of the richest and most globalized countries in the world. Find out how Switzerland became an international finance center, how some Swiss companies evolved into big transnational corporations and how they manage to export Swiss-made goods under the condition of a strong currency, the Swiss Franc. During these three weeks, you will discover the country’s political roots and study its worldwide successful industries like watchmaking, pharmaceuticals, and food processing, through talking to leading experts. You will have the opportunity to travel to some of Switzerland’s most scenic locations like Lucerne, Bern, and the Jura Alps. You will visit the International Watch Museum, important historic sites and up-to-date exhibitions.

Participating in this Summer School will not only allow you to get to know the University of Zurich but also experience Zurich as one of the world’s most attractive student cities.

Hosting Institute: Institute of Sociology, UZH
Course Director: Prof. Dr. Patrick Ziltener (Sociologist & Economist, UZH)
Language: English
Credits: 6 ECTS
Target Audience: 2nd or 3rd year Bachelor students and Master students
Schedule and Classes

- Around 20 hours of classroom teaching per week
- Full day study trip to Lucerne, Altdorf and Schwyz
- Full day study trip to Bern (World Heritage Site)
- Full day study trip to the Jura Alps incl. visits to Le Locle (World Heritage Site) and the International Watch Museum in La Chaux-de-Fonds
- Study tours through Zurich
- Various social events including a welcome dinner, a lakeside picnic, a trip to Schaffhausen and the Rhine Falls and an optional hike to a local mountain

Fees

The regular fee for this Summer School is **CHF 2,000.**
- The fee includes: Tuition and application fee; final certificate; many study trips to some of Switzerland’s most scenic locations; social program
- Not included: Accommodation and subsistence costs

Discounts

We offer generous discounts to students from UZH partner universities, including Strategic Partners and Universitas 21 and LERU universities.

Once we have received your application, we will notify you of any potential discounts available to you.
Application

Strong Bachelor students, who have completed their first year of study, as well as Master students are encouraged to apply. This course is open to students from all subject areas.

To apply, please visit our website and complete the online application form. We will carefully check your documents and let you know within four weeks whether or not we can make you an offer. For further information on the application procedure please visit our website.

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