ENTRY REQUIREMENTS METHODS AND STATISTICS

- **1. GOOD BASIC KNOWLEDGE:** We expect candidates to have good basic knowledge of methods and statistics, which entails:
 - a) Undergraduate training in methods and statistics, including topics such as univariate descriptive statistics, correlation, univariate regression, and one-way analysis of variance,
 - b) Training in one or more topics in multivariate statistics, that is, factor analysis, multiple regression, and/or analysis of variance (Manova, Mancova),
 - c) Experience with R. If this was not taught in your undergraduate programme, you can gain this knowledge via an online course or even self-study.

If you have a Bachelor's degree in Econometrics and/or (Applied) Mathematics, you may be able to compensate for M&S criteria 1 and 2 with math experience in your preliminary training, according to the programme's Admissions Committee.

- 2. STUDY HOURS: Courses in the field of methods and statistics should total approximately 30 EC (1 EC = 28 study hours). A Bachelor's or Master's thesis and/or qualitative analyses will not be included.
- **3. AVERAGE GRADE:** The courses should be completed with an average of at least 8.0.

Please note, the Admissions Committee also seriously considers applications when:

- Candidates have good basic knowledge of methods and statistics (criteria, see above);
- Courses in the field of methods and statistics are at least totaling 20 EC;
- These courses are completed with an average of at least 7.5;
- Candidates can compensate by other capacities they possess and/or a strong motivation letter, according to the programme's Admissions Committee.

How does the Admissions Committee check if you meet these requirements?

- 1) The Committee will check if the required knowledge was taught in your previous education.
- 2) If the Committee is familiar with your curriculum, they will use your transcript. If the Committee is *not* familiar with your curriculum, the procedure below applies:
 - a. You list the course(s) in your curriculum in which the required knowledge/skill was taught on the Checklist Methods and Statistics (you can find this checklist under Required Documents).
 - b. You hand in a syllabus for every course you list on this checklist. This way, the Committee can verify whether the courses you listed sufficiently address the required topic.
- 3) The Committee decides if the knowledge/skill meets the required norm described above based on your transcript/syllabus. This is a *yes*, *no-but-close* or *no* decision for all requirements listed above.

A *no-but-close* decisions is made when you score below the requirement, but above the minimum for seriously considering an application. These candidates will receive notice that they will be carefully considered at a later date (if they meet the other entry requirements, not related to methods and statistics)