

Valid from 2025.HS

Module description: Swiss Financial Systems and Finance		
Module Code	w.BA.XX.WPM-SWI.XX	
ECTS Credits	3	
Language of Instruction/Examination	English	
Module Description	This module deals with the Swiss financial system - in particular its first, second, and third pillars - and finance for insurance and pension funds from a legal, accounting, and valuation perspective.	
Organizational Unit	Institut für Risk & Insurance	
Module Coordinator	Jürg Portmann	
Program and Specialization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Elective module (see module table) 	
Legal Framework	Academic Regulations BSc dated 29.01.2009, for the degree programs in Business Administration, International Management, Business Information Technology, Business Law, Business Law and Applied Law, first adopted on 12.05.2009	
Module Category	Module Type Compulsory Elective	Program Phase Main Study Period
Prerequisite Knowledge	Basic knowledge of insurance and/or accounting	
Contribution to Program Learning Objectives (by the concerned Module)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Professional Competence Methodological Competence Social Competence Self-Competence 	
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Module Learning Objectives	Students... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> are able to explain the three-pillar system in Switzerland. understand the legal foundations of insurance in Switzerland. understand the principles of accounting and the accounting standards used in the Swiss insurance industry. are able to perform simple calculations from a legal, accounting, and valuation perspective. 	
Module Content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Switzerland's three-pillar principle The legal framework of insurance Accounting standards for Swiss insurance and pensions funds with a focus on Swiss GAAP FER and IFRS Elements of a balance sheet and considerations of different asset classes 	
Links to other modules	This module is linked to the following modules:	
Digital Learning Resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Practice and Application Exercises (with Key) 	

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Methods of Instruction	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Exercises• Application Tasks• Lecture• Interactive Instruction• Literature Review		Social Settings Used: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Individual Work																																				
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