



**Summer School Empirical Accounting Research
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Faculty

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Program Goals

The Summer School's objective is to bring together internationally-oriented, high potential PhD students working in the area of empirical accounting research to develop their research program and skills. Summer School faculty will work closely with the PhD students before and during the one-week event, thus providing guidance and expertise to the students. In addition, the Summer School provides an excellent setting for students to begin, or extend, their network of professional colleagues interested in and conducting empirical accounting research.

Program Outline

PhD students at all stages, as well as new faculty members, are invited to submit their application. An application should contain a current curriculum vita and a paper or a research proposal outlining the research project of the applicant. This paper should also contain a proposed research plan for the period up to and including the summer school. Based on these applications, up to 10 Summer School students will be selected. Each Summer School student will be assigned a supervising faculty member who will provide the student with a review of his or her research project. The main event of the Summer School takes place from August 21 - August 25 at the campus of Humboldt University, Berlin, Germany. During this week, Summer School participants are assigned visiting status at the Collaborative Research Center 649 "Economic Risk" and thereby get access to the data provided by the Financial Economic Data Center (FEDC, see <http://sfb649.wiwi.hu-berlin.de>). Each morning a class will be given by one of the Summer School faculty members. In the afternoons and evenings the students will have the opportunity to work on their research projects in a lab-style atmosphere, where the Summer School faculty will be available for discussion. At the end of the week the students will present their research to Summer School participants for review and discussion.

Deadlines, Fees, Accommodation and Contact Information

All applicants are kindly asked to submit their applications by June 12, 2006. While there is no participation fee, students are expected to cover their own travel and accommodation costs. A budget housing solution is to use the guest house of Humboldt University, which is close to campus (35 EUR per Person, per night). Thanks to financial support by the Society of Economics and Management at Humboldt University Berlin, a limited amount of financial support for Summer School students may be available. For further inquiries and questions about the application process please contact:

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