

Specialization Sustainability Reporting

ABOUT THE SPECIALIZATION

The specialization offers a comprehensive insight into the field, providing students with an in-depth understanding of current regulatory requirements and the evolving landscape of sustainability reporting, particularly within the European Union (e.g., NFRD, CSRD, EU Taxonomy). The courses cover the theoretical background behind sustainability reporting as well as common frameworks and standards and auditing of sustainability reports.

OVERVIEW	
Duration:	2 semesters
Start:	each semester
Capacity:	60 students per semester
Language:	English
Credits:	20 ECTS

STRUCTURE AND CONTENTS

The specialization requires the completion of four courses with continuous assessment of student performance (PI). **Course I** takes place in the first half of the first semester and **serves as a prerequisite for all other courses of the specialization**. Course II and Course III take place in the second half of the semester. Course IV takes place during the whole semester. All courses are offered in both the winter and summer terms.

Further information is available on our website. If you have any questions, please send an email to sbwl.susrep@wu.ac.at.



ADMISSION PROCESS

If the number of interested students exceeds the available capacity of a semester, the admission is based on the grade from the course "**Jahresabschluss und Unternehmensberichte**" or "**Financial Reporting & Analysis**". If the grades from these courses do not lead to a clear allocation, an additional criterion for determining the ranking will be used.

KICK-OFF

There will be a kick-off event for all students accepted into the specialization at the beginning of the semester. At this event, students will receive more information about the programme and will also have the opportunity to network with each other. There will also be an opportunity to get to know the lecturers and ask questions.

CAREER PROSPECTS

The specialization in sustainability reporting equips students for international careers in an exciting and rapidly expanding professional field. Potential career paths include specialist and management positions with a focus on:

- › preparing sustainability reports in (inter)national non-financial and financial companies,
- › ensuring the quality of sustainability data in (inter)national non-financial and financial companies,
- › providing consulting services for the preparation, audit, and assurance of sustainability reports.

STRUCTURE		TYPE
Course I	Introduction into Sustainability Reporting	PI / 6 ECTS
Course II	Sustainability Reporting Standards and Assurance	PI / 6 ECTS
Course III	Case Studies in Sustainability Reporting (English) <u>or</u> Nachhaltigkeitsberichterstattung in der Unternehmenspraxis (German)	PI / 4 ECTS
Course IV	Sustainable Finance and Reporting	PI / 4 ECTS