



Conversion from UAS to Bachelor's degrees

Information regarding titles after 1 January 2009

Information sheet for holders of a UAS degree obtained prior to introduction of the Bachelor-Master system

The UAS titles issued to graduates prior to introduction of the new Bachelor-Master system shall remain legally protected. Starting from 1 January 2009 (when the first Bachelor's degrees were issued) holders of UAS degrees issued under previous legislation may also use the titles Bachelor of Arts (BA) or Bachelor of Science (BSc). There will be no change in title (subsequent issuance of a Bachelor's degree). Anyone who uses a legally protected UAS title without having met the corresponding requirements may be subject to prosecution.

The structure of the legally protected title is uniform and must include at the very minimum the degree title (Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science) and the name or abbreviation of the UAS that issued the degree. As an option, this legally protected title may also include mention of the branch of studies and a specialisation.

A	C	D	B
Degree title	Branch of studies	Specialisation (in-depth studies)	Name of UAS
Mandatory	Optional	Optional	Mandatory

Example:

A	C	D	B
Bachelor of Science	in Electrical Engineering,	Specialisation in ...,	University of Applied Sciences, Bern
Bachelor of Science	in Electrical Engineering,	Specialisation in ...,	UAS Bern
Bachelor of Arts	in Visual Communication,	Specialisation in ...,	University of Applied Sciences, Zurich
Bachelor of Arts	in Visual Communication,	Specialisation in ...,	UAS Zurich
Abbreviations			
BSc	--	--	UAS Bern
BA	--	--	UAS Zurich

The **Arts or Science classifications** assigned to Bachelor's degrees are based on recommendations made by the Rector's Conference of the Swiss Universities of Applied Sciences (KFH):

<http://www.kfh.ch/uploads/dkfh/doku/080707D.pdf>

The official names of branches of study leading to a Bachelor's degree and their corresponding English equivalent are listed in a schedule to FDEA Ordinance of 2 September 2005 on branches of study, UAS equivalency courses and UAS titles (SR 414.712):

<http://www.admin.ch/ch/d/sr/4/414.712.de.pdf>