The Universität Hamburg has a longstanding history of nationally and internationally renowned scholarship in risk and insurance research and education with a tradition reaching back until for more than hundred years. Insurance related research and teaching is bundled in the Hamburg Center for Insurance Research (HZV – Hamburger Zentrum für Versicherungswissenschaft) which is an interdisciplinary center consisting of business, law and actuarial science faculty. Given our longstanding history and tradition as well as our current faculty, we consider ourselves as one of the leading insurance research centers in German-speaking universities, collaborating and interacting closely with the local and regional insurance industry.

We have been hosting a regular speaker series for more than 100 years, first under the direction of the insurance law institute founded in 1916. The insurance law institute merged with the University of Hamburg after its foundation in 1919. With our seminar, we enable insurance professionals, researchers and students connect and discuss relevant topics and latest trends in the insurance industry, and have hosted over 750 speaker events.

Other outreach activities include regular conference organization such as the bi-annual Symposium on Insurance Research and annual conferences on financial lines and liability insurance and pension plans, as well as job placement services for students. We also host an international research seminar with global scholars from top universities. In addition to our B.Sc. and M.Sc. in Business Administration with major finance/insurance, the Universität Hamburg has been offering a successful executive education LL.M in insurance program for the last ten years. Consistently over the last years, we have been able to attract outstanding students and our graduates have an excellent placement record

Year Established: 1916

Program Size: Average annual program graduates: 45

Publications:
- Financial Literacy and Precautionary Insurance
- The Impact of Economic Conditions on Individual and Managerial Risk Taking (Spring Nature, Springlink)