

From Chief Physician to Director and Head of Department

While studying in the MAS MTEC programme, Daniel Garcia worked as Chief Physician in the Accident & Emergency Department of the University of Zurich Children's Hospital. Now, he manages the Emergency Ward for Children and Adolescents (NZKJ) at the University Hospital of Bern, where he oversees over 50 employees – a team of doctors, nursing staff and administrative personnel. He is the face of the Emergency Ward and is also strategically involved in various hospital committees. In his current role, he is able to put the perspectives he gained at D-MTEC into practice daily.

It was not only my interest in management that brought me to the MAS MTEC programme; I also viewed it as a sound continuing education programme that would pave the way for my next career step. The excellent reputation of ETH Zurich, its proximity to my workplace and the reasonable tuition fee clinched my decision.

The MAS MTEC programme did wonders for both my professional and personal development. It gave me the tools I needed to take on a new challenge, working in a leadership position for a new employer. Earlier, all my professional capacity and time was spent working as a doctor, while today it primarily consists of managerial work.



Looking back, I would say that the study period was highly intensive, but with the proper planning and organisation you can complete the programme even if you have a relatively high workload. The one-week study trip abroad was definitely one of the highlights.

I recommend that anyone considering the MAS MTEC programme speak to former graduates. This will give you a good picture of what D-MTEC is really like and the wide range of opportunities that spring from such a highly tailorable degree programme.



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Profile when starting the MAS MTEC programme:

-  14 years' work experience
-  Doctor of Medicine, University of Zurich