Studying Humanities at
Freie Universität Berlin & LMU München

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TWO TOP UNIVERSITIES. TWO AMAZING CITIES.

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Top-Ranked Universities and University Cities

Top-Ranked
LMU Munich (#1) and Freie Universität Berlin (#7) are recognized as part of THE Best Universities in Germany 2018

Best Cities
Berlin (#3) and Munich (#4) are ranked as part of THE Best University Cities of 2017
Top-Ranked in Arts and Humanities

Among Top 25 Worldwide
LMU Munich (#21) and Freie Universität Berlin (#24) rank among the best universities in Arts and Humanities according to THE World University Ranking 2018

Top 3 in Germany
LMU Munich (#2) and Freie Universität Berlin (#3) after Humboldt Universität zu Berlin (#1)
Pathways to Studying Humanities

Degree Programs
✓ Bachelor’s Degree
✓ Master’s Degree
✓ PhD/Doctoral Studies

Study Abroad
✓ Short-Term Summer and Winter Courses
✓ Semester and Year-long Programs
✓ Direct Exchange

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Summer Programs in Berlin & Munich

Intensive German language courses
Subject classes in English
Subject class in German
The Making of Europe – Multi-City Courses (=> apply by May 5 [term II] and June 23 [term III])

Postgraduate Summer School in the History of European Art and Art History (=> apply by May 1)
German Language Courses (=> apply by June 1)
Undergraduate Study

Bachelor's Degree

Over 35% of the student body at Freie Universität Berlin and LMU Munich are international students. With 60+ degree combinations, students have the opportunity to craft their study focus based on their intellectual and personal passions.

Graduate Study

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ELIGIBILITY

- German language requirement: Freie Universität Berlin and LMU Munich
- The university entrance qualification (Hochschulzugangsberichtigung) is a criterion that consists of a 3.0 GPA, SAT 1360 / ACT 29 composite minimum scores, or an IB diploma that fulfills Germany’s IB requirements. Direct admission is not limited to these combinations. The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) database on admission requirements help applicants verify if their qualifications are recognized in Germany.

Students also have the option to take a one year preparatory course (Studienkolleg) to qualify for direct admissions.

APPLICATION PROCESS

After verifying the status of your university entrance qualification (Hochschulzugangsberichtigung), look at the specific steps needed to apply to Freie Universität Berlin or LMU Munich.

- For degrees and specific requirements with Freie Universität Berlin
- For degrees and specific requirements with LMU Munich

The university’s international office will also guide you during this process with all the necessary information and

HELPFUL RESOURCES ON OBTAINING A BACHELOR’S DEGREE

- Application Process Video - Study in Germany
- Bachelor's Abroad - The NYTimes
- Financing your studies - DAAD
- “How To Study in Germany” - Study in Germany
- Studying in Germany Resources - Deutsches Studentenwerk
German language proficiency

All undergraduate degree programs are offered in German, with the exception of the North American Studies program at Freie Universität Berlin.
English-taught Master and Doctoral programs

Many programs on the graduate level are taught in English at Freie Universität and LMU Munich.

www.GermanUniversities.org/masterprograms
www.GermanUniversities.org/doctorateprograms
NUMBERS IN A NUTSHELL

Approx. 30,000 students
Approx. 4,500 doctoral students
Over 450 professors
Over 4,000 members of staff
From around 150 nations in the world
### DEPARTMENTS, CENTRAL INSTITUTES, AND CENTRAL FACILITIES

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**Central Facilities**
- Computing Services
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- Language Center
- Margherita von Brentano Center for Gender Studies
RESEARCH PROFILE

Major research foci pooling core competencies beyond departmental structures
EXAMPLE: TRANSREGIONAL RELATIONS

• History & Cultural Studies
• Philosophy & Humanities
• Political & Social Sciences
• Law
• Central Institutes

• North American Studies
• Muslim Cultures & Societies
• East Asian Studies

• Affective Societies
• Justitia Amplificata
• International Rule of Law

Departments
Graduate Schools
Focus Areas
Research Units, Collaborative Research Centers

Open Calls Winter term 2018/19

• Center for Area Studies
• Topoi – Ancient Civilizations

• Affective Societies
• Justitia Amplificata
• International Rule of Law
MASTER PROGRAMS

in English

- English Studies: Literature, Language, Culture
- Global History
- Intellectual Encounters of the Islamicate World
- North American Studies
- Sociology – European Societies

Apply by May 31
DOCTORAL PROGRAMS

- Berlin Graduate School of Ancient Studies (8 scholarships: April 30)
- Berlin Graduate School of Muslim Cultures and Societies
- Friedrich Schlegel Graduate School of Literary Studies
- Graduate School of East Asian Studies
- Graduate School of North American Studies

Next call Winter term 2018/19
Dahlem Junior Host Program

FUB researchers invite visiting scholars from abroad

Funding for visits up to 8 weeks
LMU Munich –
As one of Europe’s leading research universities, LMU is committed to the highest international standards of excellence in research and teaching.
Founded in 1472

- Law, economics and social sciences
- Humanities and cultural studies
- Medicine
- Natural sciences

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50,000 students from 130 countries,
16% come from abroad
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Master Programs in English

American History, Culture and Society (apply by: July 1, 2018)

English Studies (July 15, 2018)

Logic and Philosophy of Science (June 1, 2018)
Doctoral Programs

Distant Worlds: Munich Graduate School for Ancient Studies

Doctoral Program Buddhist Studies (June 1, 2018)

Doctoral Program Modern and Contemporary History

Globalization and Literature. Representations, Transformations, Interventions

Graduate School for East and Southeast European Studies

Grad. School of Language & Literature (incl. Class of Culture and History, Am. Hist.) (June 3)

Doctoral Program Transformations in European Societies (application opens end of May 2018)

MIMESIS: Munich Doctoral Program for Literature and the Arts
Spotlight: Doctoral Program Environment and Society

Interdisciplinary program (humanities, social and natural sciences) exploring the nature/culture/environment interface

Apply by: May 15 or November 15, 2018

Limited funding to support conference and research trips for doctoral students is available through the doctoral program.
**Student Stories**

**PhD Student: April Moeller**
April Moeller hails from the United States. She is a former Master student in Neuro-Cognitive Psychology at LMU and current PhD candidate at the Munich Center of the Learning Sciences.

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**Master Student: Tachara Larocque**
Canadian student Tachara Larocque is currently enrolled in the Master's Degree Program in Geology at LMU Munich.

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**Studied in Munich: Steven Montero**
Steven Montero studied at LMU Munich within the Lewis & Clark Year of Study in Munich Program.

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**PhD Student: Addie Kolybaba**
Addie Kolybaba is originally from Canada and an LMU alumna. She obtained her PhD in Biology from LMU Munich.

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**B.A. Student in Berlin: Ivan Insland**
Ivan Insland is currently enrolled as a full-time Bachelor student of North American Studies at the John F. Kennedy Institute of Freie Universität Berlin.

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**Studied in Berlin: Miranda Arakelian**
Miranda Arakelian studied at Freie Universität during her junior year with Berlin Consortium for German Studies (BCGS).

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Thank you!

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