



Humboldt University, Faculty of Science
Information Sheet Academic Year 2020/2021
For Exchange Students

Humboldt University and the Faculty of Science

HUMBOLDT-UNIVERSITY

Two hundred years ago, in 1810, Wilhelm von Humboldt's vision of a new type of university became reality. The newly founded Prussian alma mater was the first to introduce the unity of research and teaching, to uphold the ideal of research without restrictions and to provide a comprehensive education for its students. These principles of Wilhelm von Humboldt and a select group of contemporaries soon became general practice throughout the world. A new era of university and academic research had begun. During its history, the Humboldt-University of Berlin has undergone many profound changes. The most recent reformation followed the Peaceful Revolution in East Germany in 1989. Many new outstanding professors were appointed from East and West, from Germany and from abroad. As one of eleven German universities, the Humboldt-Universität was chosen "University of Excellence" in June 2012. It was successful in all three funding lines in the third round of the Excellence Initiative of the German federal and state governments and awarded for its future concept "Educating Enquiring Minds: Individuality – Openness – Guidance". In an international comparison, Humboldt-University ranks among the top ten of German universities. Scientists here research socially relevant topics and challenges of the future and communicate these with the public. Humboldt-Universität invests all its energy in being a place of excellent research and teaching. Its aim is to promote young talents and to positively influence society and economy outside the university framework.

<https://www.hu-berlin.de/de/>

THE FACULTY OF SCIENCE

The natural sciences campus of Humboldt-University is located in the district of Adlershof, part of the Berlin borough of Treptow-Köpenick. In the early 20th century, Germany's first airport for motor-driven airplanes opened nearby, and aeronautical research flourished at the time. Some of the impressive technological monuments have lasted up to now. After the Second World War, the GDR Academy of Sciences as well as the GDR television studios came to Adlershof. Since 1990, the area has changed noticeably and developed into one of Europe's biggest locations of science and technology where a large number of business undertakings, scientific institutes and the natural science departments of Humboldt-University have settled. The Humboldt-University Campus Adlershof is located in the pulsating heart of Berlin Adlershof Science City. The buildings, which were built between 1998 and 2003, provide first-class teaching and research facilities to the departments of Chemistry, Geography, Computer Science, Mathematics, Physics and Psychology. A compact campus, excellent social infrastructure and contemporary, well-equipped buildings provide the best conditions for studying. It is easy to find your way around and meet people here. The six mathematical and scientific departments at Adlershof serve over 6,000 students from Germany and abroad.

<https://www.hu-berlin.de/en/about/campus/adlershof>

The Application Process at the Faculty of Science

NOMINATION AND REQUIREMENTS

- You need to be enrolled at a University.
- Your Erasmus-Coordinator needs to nominate you and send an E-Mail to monique.getter@hu-berlin.de.
- A B2 level in German is necessary. Therefore, you can take an online test. If you get less than 61 points, you can also sign in for an [intensive German class](#).
- There are only a few English courses at Bachelor level. At Master level there will be a few more.
- In addition, we offer [three International Programmes](#) at the Faculty of Science.

ONLINE APPLICATION

- Here you can find the [online application platform](#). You will receive an E-Mail with a confirmation link, that you need to log into our application system.
- For further information about the application process click [here](#).
- Please submit the online application completely filled out.

ONLINE APPLICATION PERIOD

Winter Semester: 1st of April – 31st of May

Summer Semester: 1st of October – 30th of November

CONFIRMATION

- After we got your online application and signed nomination form, we will send you a confirmation letter including information about your date of matriculation.

- You will receive your confirmation approx.:

Winter Semester: Until the End of July

Summer Semester: Until the End of January

VISA REQUIREMENTS

- EU nationals do not need a visa, as well as a few [other countries](#).
- Information on current entry regulations and the application forms are available from the [Federal Foreign Office](#).

ACCOMMODATION IN ADLERSHOF

- The student village is located on the natural science campus and offers different types of furnished rooms. For more information visit the [website](#) or call: Tel.: +49 30 939 504 – 0.
- Also be prepared concerning your [health insurance](#) and [finances](#).

Studies at the Faculty of Science

COURSES FOR EXCHANGE STUDENTS

ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Full Year: 01.10.2020 – 30.09.2021

Winter Semester: 02.11.2020 – 27.02.2021

Orientation Week: approx. 26.10.2020

Summer Semester: 12.04.2021 – 17.07.2021

Orientation Week: approx. 05.04.2020

Please view the detailed Academic Calendar on our [website](#).

COURSES FOR EXCHANGE STUDENTS

- On [AGNES](#) you can find the online catalogue with all the courses offered. The current classes are available:

Winter Semester: 1st of August

Summer Semester: 1st of February

- You need to get 25 – 30 ECTS per semester and take at least one course at your department. You are allowed to take one or two courses beside your department. Please be aware that you will need a *Leistungsschein* to proof your attendance and your grades, signed by the professor.
- As an international student you can register online for classes via [AGNES](#).

EXAMINATION

- As an international student you can enrol online at AGNES.
- Under "angemeldete Prüfungen" you can check, if you are registered or not.

- If not, you can also register in person at the respective [examination office](#) of your department using the following form "[Anmeldung zur Modulabschlussprüfung](#)".
- Please be aware of the application deadlines.

BEFORE YOU LEAVE

- If you need a signature on your Confirmation of Study Abroad and Letter of Attendance please contact the international office in Adlershof.
- The Transcript of Records will be generated by the examination office. That is not an automatism. Please contact your examination office and send a list of all your completed classes to the office. If needed, please send also your *Leistungsscheine*.

GENERAL INFORMATION

- In [the guide for international students](#) you can find further information about the Humboldt-University and your prospective stay.

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