



INTERNATIONAL
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UNIVERSITY BERLIN

The 2026-2027 Fact Sheet

All about our student nomination
and application, contacts,
academic information and more!

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2026-27 Fact Sheet

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IPU Berlin is a state-recognized private university with its campus in the heart of Berlin, right next to the River Spree. All study programs and academic degrees at our university are officially approved and accredited.

The present factsheet aims to inform our partner universities about the processes regarding nomination and application of their students.

This Factsheet is divided into:

- Student nomination and application
- Academic information
- Study programs and courses
- General information
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Nominations and Applications

Deadlines	Winter Semester 2026/27	Summer Semester 2027
Application step by step	Nomination: 01.03. - 31.05. Student Application: 15.06.	Nomination: 01.09. - 31.11. Student Application: 15.12.
	STEP 1: NOMINATION	
	<p>Selected students must be officially nominated by the International Office of their home institution.</p> <p>To nominate a student, please complete the Microsoft Forms with the required information about your student(s) and your institution. Once filled out, kindly send it back to josefin.moros (at) ipu-berlin.de</p> <p>We ask you to verify that the nomination respects the pre-established quota if a number of places has been negotiated in advance, as well as the eligibility criteria (see below).</p>	
STEP 2: ONLINE APPLICATION		
<p>Once the nomination period is over, students will receive an email from us with the request to send the following application documents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Registration form for Erasmus+ students • Passport copy • Tabular curriculum vitae • Proof of language proficiency (minimum B2 level, issued within the last 2 years) <p>The entire application process is digital. Students must submit all required documents online by the deadline indicated above to international@ipu-berlin.de.</p>		
STEP 3: MOBILITY PREPARATION		
<p>After receiving all application documents and if all requirements are met, we will confirm your acceptance. While being accepted, our students will receive a welcome package on their e-mail containing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome letter • Letter of Invitation and Acceptance • Checklist • Study guide for international students 		

Academic Information

Semester Schedules

WINTER SEMESTER

Semester begins / 01.10.2026

Lectures begin / 12.10.2025
 Christmas break / 23.12.2025-05.01.2026
 Research Day / tba
 Final ceremony / tba
 Examination period 1 / 09.02.2027-27.02.2027
 Lectures end on / 13.02.2027
 Examination period 2 / 23.03.2027-10.04.2027
Semester ends on / 31.03.2027

SUMMER SEMESTER

Semester begins / 01.04.2027

Lectures begin / 12.04.2026
 Career Day / tba
 Final ceremony / tba
 Examination period 1 / tba
 Lectures end on / tba
 Examination period 2 / tba
Semester ends on / 30.09.2027

On-line academic calendar: <https://www.ipu-berlin.de/en/schedules/>

Study Programs and courses at IPU Berlin

BSC PSYCHOLOGY (IN GERMAN)

The IPU understands the human being as biological, social and cultural. During your studies you will learn to understand the individual by considering the background of personal history and the influence of the unconscious. How people develop in social and societal contexts, how they shape their environment and how a beneficial relationship bond can be created with psychological means - these are central components in the Bachelor PsychologyPLUS programme.

Please note: All courses are taught in German. To apply for this program, you must provide a valid German language certificate at B2 level or higher. The certificate must have been issued within the last two years.

Sample study plan: <https://www.ipu-berlin.de/fileadmin/downloads/bsc-psychologie/bsc-psychologie-studienverlauf-20190110-wise.pdf>

MA PSYCHOLOGY WITH CLINICAL FOCUS (IN ENGLISH)

Our Master program, aims to prepare our students for an diverse career and professional life. The study course's clinical direction, which focuses on psychodynamic and psychoanalytic approaches, additionally provides solid education and training in research methods. At the same time, this is broadened on a fundamental level with in-depth knowledge from non-clinical application areas of psychological and psychoanalytic thinking.

Please note: All courses are taught in English. To apply for this program, you must provide a valid English language certificate at B2 level or higher. The certificate must have been issued within the last two years.

Sample study plan: <https://www.ipu-berlin.de/fileadmin/downloads/ma-psychologie/ma-psychologie-vz-studienverlauf-20181001-en.pdf>

MA PSYCHOLOGY FOCUSING IN ORGANISATION (IN ENGLISH)

This multidisciplinary MA Psychology program with an organisational focus aims to foster a reflective socio-critical stance in its students. You will explore subjects revolving around transformation processes in the context of organisational psychology, environmental psychology, health psychology and related areas

Please note: All courses are taught in English. To apply for this program, you must provide a valid English language certificate at B2 level or higher. The certificate must have been issued within the last two years.

Sample study plan: <https://www.ipu-berlin.de/fileadmin/downloads/ma-agu-en/ma-psychologie-focusing-on-organisation-studyplan-20220316-en.pdf>

Language Proficiency

To apply as an Erasmus student at IPU Berlin, it is necessary to provide a valid English (B2) and/or German (B2) language proficiency certificate, depending on the courses the student wishes to take. The language certificate must have been issued within the last two years.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

B2 LEVEL **B2 or TOEFL iBT 90 or IELTS 5.5 or Cambridge Certificate CAE)** **Required for applying for classes in the MA Clinical Psychology (English Track) or MA Psychology: Focusing on Organisation**

Issued within the last 2 years

GERMAN LANGUAGE

B2 LEVEL **Goethe-Zertifikat, TestDaF or DSH** **Required for applying for classes in the BA Psychology**

Issued within the last 2 years

Course enrolment

Our Erasmus students will be automatically enrolled by our staff prior to the enrolment period for regular students in order to guarantee their placement. The enrolment will be made when the student submits the signed learning agreement.

Course catalogu: https://www.ipu-berlin.de/studium/downloads/?gad_source=1&gad_campaignid=22621418376&gclid=EAlalQobChMIl62VtZCGkwMVpqaDBx1X_Si8EAAYASAAEgJ66fD_BwE

In Germany, academic achievements are measured using grades ranging on a scale from 1.0 to 5.0. Moreover, every course carries a weight, which is expressed in study credit points (usually ECTS credit points). This means that a certain course's impact on one's final average differentiates according to the number of ECTS points carried by the course. Grading scale:

Grading System

ECTS Grade	German Equivalent	ECTS Definition	German Denotation
A	1.0 - 1.5	Excellent	Hervorragend Sehr gut
B	1.6 - 2.0	Very Good	Good
C	2.1 - 3.0	Satisfactory	Gut
D	3.1 - 3.5	Sufficient	Befriedigend
E	3.6 - 4.0	Fail	Ausreichend
F	4.1 - 5.0		Nicht bestanden

In order to have a differentiated assessment basis, a grading scale with the following grades is utilised: 1.0; 1.3; 1.7; 2.0; 2.3; 2.7; 3.0; 3.3; 3.7; 4.0. Examination results below 4.0 are assessed as „failed“. The overall grade for the respective degree is calculated from all of the graded module examinations. With this calculation, the module grades are weighted by the respective ECTS credits. The average grade is rounded off to the first decimal point, with the points after that being ignored.

Attention: Prior to the beginning of classes, students are required to confirm with their home university whether a pass/fail designation will suffice, or if a specific grade is necessary. If a grade is required, it is essential to promptly inform both the studies office at IPU and the respective teachers.

General Information

Housing

Finding affordable accommodation in Berlin is a matter that necessitates both time and patience. Moreover, all processes related to matriculation at the IPU rely on having an address and the associated registration document (Anmeldung, see section 3.6). Therefore, it is important and strongly advisable for a prospective international student to initiate the search for their new housing in Berlin as quickly as possible. The main options for housing are:

Student Halls of Residence: Student halls of residence or dormitories are mainly run by the StudierendenWerk, the service provider for the students of the Berlin universities. You will find halls of Residence (Wohnheime) throughout different parts of Berlin. The standard price for a room ranges between €300 and €500 per month. Website of the StudierendenWerk: <https://www.stw.berlin/>

Housing Lottery: Each semester, IPU Berlin, in cooperation with Studierendenwerk Berlin, offers five student dormitory rooms for incoming students in the Franz-Mehring-Platz area. To ensure a fair allocation process, the rooms are assigned by lottery among all interested students. Please note that we cannot guarantee whether you will be offered a larger, more expensive room or a smaller, less expensive one. We therefore recommend budgeting based on the maximum monthly rent of €500. Kindly also be aware that, as these are student dormitory rooms, the rental contract must cover the entire semester. The rental period is fixed and cannot be shortened.

Private Accommodation Market: Students can look for private accommodation in Berlin. The main options are individual apartments or a room in a shared accommodation (Wohngemeinschaften or WGs). Rooms in shared accommodation are usually advertised on the internet. Remember that the search for an apartment can be a bit tedious, demanding both time and patience. This is why you are advised to start your search at your earliest convenience. Some popular websites for apartment searches are: <https://www.wg-gesucht.de/>, <https://www.immobilienscout24.de/wohnen/wg-zimmer.html> or <http://www.housinganywhere.com/>. Please keep in mind that regardless of the housing option you choose, it's crucial to ensure that you are able to register at that address. After having moved into an apartment or a hall of residence, you are obliged to register at a local Citizens' Office within 14 days. We recommend you make an appointment online prior to your arrival date to avoid long waiting periods. Your registration at an apartment is essential for various bureaucratic processes, such as obtaining a student visa. While it's illegal to rent a room without offering the possibility of registration, unfortunately, some landlords still engage in this practice. Therefore, it's advisable to verify before signing any contract that registration at the apartment is indeed feasible.

For detailed information on housing and for suggested websites that can aid you in your apartment search read section 3.5 of our international student guide: https://www.ipu-berlin.de/fileadmin/downloads/international-office/guide-for-international-students_2023.pdf

Visa Application

For all students holding an EU citizenship, issuing a visa will not be necessary. As for non-EU students, a visa may be issued for course attendance. Please check with your home country's embassy to verify the specific requirements that apply to you.

Health insurance

Please note that health insurance coverage is mandatory by law in Germany. Universities may only enroll students who can provide proof of adequate health insurance. Important: Health insurance from Bosnia and Herzegovina is recognized in Germany.

EU Students

If you are an EU citizen and plan to study in another EU country, you must have comprehensive health insurance coverage in your host country. Please be aware that some national health insurance schemes limit the duration of coverage abroad. We strongly recommend that you contact your health insurance provider in your home country in advance to clarify the conditions of your coverage.

Non-EU Students

Non-EU students are required to obtain health insurance from a German health insurance provider. Proof of valid health insurance must be submitted at the time of enrollment at IPU.

Students under the age of 30 are generally eligible for statutory student health insurance at a reduced rate. The current contribution for health and long-term care insurance is approximately €100 per month (for students over 23 without children). Students over the age of 30 usually pay approximately €200 per month. The International Office (IO) at IPU has long-standing partnerships with the public health insurance providers BARMER and Techniker Krankenkasse (TK). However, you are free to choose any other statutory health insurance provider in Germany.

Semester Fee /Transport

The semester fee is approximately €380 per semester. It includes a contribution to the Studierendenwerk, which is responsible for services such as university canteens and student housing, as well as a contribution to the IPU Berlin Student Council, the official student representative body of the university. The fee also covers the Deutschlandticket ("Germany Ticket"), which allows you to use regional and local public transportation throughout Germany.

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