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Master's degree



Intercultural German Studies: Germany — China (MA)

University of Göttingen • Göttingen

Overview

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| Degree | Master of Arts |
| In cooperation with | Nanjing University (China), Beijing Foreign Studies University (China) |
| Teaching language | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• German• English• Chinese |
| Languages | German (75%) Chinese (15%) English (10%) The Master's thesis has to be written in German with a Chinese abstract. |
| Programme duration | 4 semesters |
| Beginning | Winter semester |
| Application deadline | Applicants to the University of Göttingen: 15 July for the following winter semester; Chinese applicants are subject to the application deadlines and admission regulations of Nanjing University and BFSU. |
| Tuition fees per semester in EUR | None |
| Combined Master's degree / PhD programme | No |
| Joint degree / double degree programme | Yes |

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| Description/content | The study programme imparts theoretical and methodological knowledge in linguistic and literary studies emphasising intercultural and cross-cultural comparative aspects. Each of the participating universities has its own study focus, concerning both academic and specific professional training, reflecting the particular educational aims and traditions of the respective German studies departments. Thus the programme is tailored to the corresponding professional fields in Germany and China. The focal point at the University of Göttingen lies upon "cultures in contact" with special courses in translation and cultural transfer, studies on cultural themes and comparison. The study specialisation at Nanjing University concentrates on "Cultures of Education and Knowledge". It mainly questions the comparison of educational concepts, German and Chinese scientific communication and models of multilingual and intercultural learning scenarios. The key topic at Beijing Foreign Studies University is "Translating Cultures of Law and Business" with a specialisation on interpretation and modes of intercultural business communication. |
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The structure of the study programme is modular.
Practically relevant key competences such as the consolidation of foreign language skills, occupationally relevant work placements/internships and courses in economics or politics complement the programme.

Course Details

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| Course organisation | <p>(1) The course is conceived as a German-Chinese dual degree programme and thus offers students the opportunity to complete a structured programme of study at the University of Göttingen and one of the two partner universities.</p> <p>(2) The study concept envisages Chinese and German students completing their studies together to the greatest possible extent and from the beginning of their studies entering into an intercultural study situation, working and learning cross-culturally in teams and tandems. In order to implement this concept, the programme is divided into two study phases.</p> <p>(3) All students complete the first year of study together at the University of Göttingen. All students complete the second year of study in China, whereby an equal number of Göttingen students continue their studies at the partner universities in Nanjing and Beijing, respectively. The Nanjing and Beijing students return to their own university. The Göttingen students choose one of the partner universities, where they complete the second study year (third and fourth semesters).</p> <p>(4) The structure of the course of study and the curriculum integrate the structural provisions of the German and Chinese higher education systems. They thereby combine a common subject area as a specific basis, compulsory for all students, with an academic and job-oriented differentiation of the various study focuses at the participating higher education institutions.</p> <p>» PDF Download</p> |
| International elements | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International guest lecturers • Integrated study abroad unit(s) • Language training provided • Training in intercultural skills • International comparisons and thematic reference to the international context • Content-related regional focus |
| Integrated study abroad unit(s) | Participants spend half of their study programme at the respective partner universities (for Göttingen students this means the third and fourth semesters in Nanjing or Beijing; for Nanjing and Beijing students this means the first and second semesters in Göttingen). |
| Integrated internships | An internship of 120 hours is to be completed during the spring break between first and second semester (for Chinese students in Germany) and during winter break between third and fourth semester (for German students in China). |
| Special promotion / funding of the programme | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DAAD |
| Name of DAAD funding programme | Internationale Integrierte Studiengänge mit Doppelabschluss |
| Course-specific, integrated German language courses | Yes |
| Course-specific, integrated English language courses | Yes |

Costs / Funding

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| Tuition fees per semester in EUR | None |
| Semester contribution | Fees are around 400 EUR per semester. The fees include a prepaid semester ticket that entitles students to use regional trains (in Lower Saxony and Bremen) and city buses in Göttingen free of charge. Students of the University of Göttingen receive discounts for cultural events. Meals and drinks are also available at reduced prices at all university canteens. Fees: http://www.uni-goettingen.de/fee Semester ticket: http://www.uni-goettingen.de/en/16432.html |
| Costs of living | The average cost of living in Göttingen is modest compared to other major university cities in Germany. Currently, expenses for accommodation, food, health insurance and books are approx. 800 to 1,000 EUR per month. Please note that fees for health insurance may vary according to age. For further information, please see the following link: www.uni-goettingen.de/en/54664.html |
| Funding opportunities within the university | Yes |
| Description of the above-mentioned funding opportunities within the university | Germany scholarship (Deutschlandstipendium): https://uni-goettingen.de/en/218535.html |

Requirements / Registration

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| Academic admission requirements | Prerequisite for entrance to the Master's programme is a Bachelor's degree of at least 180 ECTS credit points (six semesters) in German studies or a closely related area |
| Language requirements | <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Applicants whose native language is not German are required to be proficient in the German language at the level of DSH 2 or C1.1 in the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages. Proof of this proficiency is pursuant to the examination regulations of the German Language Examinations for Entrance to a Higher Education Institution by Foreign Students (DSH). A Bachelor's degree in a relevant area of study may be recognised as proof of the required language proficiency.2. The language entrance requirements consist of proficiency in two modern foreign languages, of which at least one must be at the B2 level of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages. Proof of this proficiency is given through possession of the Certificate of University Higher Education Entrance Qualification or an equivalent language qualification. For students whose native language is not German, German counts as one of the two foreign languages. Students whose native language is not Chinese must demonstrate 80 hours of Chinese lessons before they begin the programme. |
| Application deadline | Applicants to the University of Göttingen: 15 July for the following winter semester; Chinese applicants are subject to the application deadlines and admission regulations of Nanjing University and BFSU. |
| Submit application to | Georg-August-Universität Göttingen Seminar für Deutsche Philologie Abteilung Interkulturelle Germanistik Barbara Dengel MA |

Services

Possibility of finding part-time employment

The university supports students in finding part-time jobs in local industries and businesses. A number of student jobs are also available at the university. They are announced on the following website: www.stellenwerk-goettingen.de

Please note that restrictions may apply with your scholarship or work contract.

Foreign applicants should note that it is not easy to find a job to finance their studies, as German students are also searching for jobs. Some proficiency in German may be indispensable to find a job. Non-EU students are permitted to work a maximum of 120 full days (240 half days) per year.

Accommodation

The Accommodation Service of the International Office supports international students who are enrolled at the University of Göttingen in finding accommodation and serves as a point of contact for related queries. The Accommodation Service also publishes suitable offers from private landlords in Göttingen and collaborates with the Student Services ("Studentenwerk"). As the number of available accommodation options in Göttingen is limited, it is highly recommended to contact the Accommodation Service as early as possible. For further information, please see the following link: <https://www.uni-goettingen.de/en/617883.html>

Career advisory service

The Career Service of the University of Göttingen offers individual support to facilitate your successful transition from the academic to the professional world — whether you want to work in Germany or abroad. Especially for international students aiming for a career entry in Germany, the Career Service provides topic-specific "Career Impulse Sessions", workshops, online learning modules, and a qualification programme in "Building International Careers" as well as digital career tools and a virtual community for international employment opportunities: www.uni-goettingen.de/en/292.html

Support for international students and doctoral candidates

- Buddy programme
- Tutors
- Accompanying programme
- Specialist counselling
- Cultural and linguistic preparation
- Visa matters
- Pick-up service

General services and support for international students and doctoral candidates

The International Office provides a complimentary pick-up service ("Buddy Exchange Service") from the Göttingen railway station to the accommodation. German students help newly arrived students to adapt to the university and the city during their first weeks. <http://www.uni-goettingen.de/en/49307.html>

There is also an orientation week for new international students, which provides valuable information about Göttingen and the university. <http://www.uni-goettingen.de/en/196392.html>

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