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Master's degree

Overview

Degree	Master of Science in Cognitive Science
Teaching language	<ul style="list-style-type: none">English
Languages	Courses are held in English (100%).
Programme duration	4 semesters
Beginning	Winter semester
Application deadline	30 April (all international students), 31 August (for German students "Bildungsinländer") for the following winter semester
Tuition fees per semester in EUR	None
Combined Master's degree / PhD programme	No
Joint degree / double degree programme	No
Description/content	<p>The Master's programme focuses on conveying in-depth, research-orientated knowledge in the field of Cognitive Science. Social Sciences and Psychology are combined with IT, Linguistics, and Biology/Neuroscience to create a broader field of science from which cognitive science qualifications are acquired. The combination of those separate fields gives us the ability to precisely use the knowledge already acquired within those sciences to further examine aspects of humans, technology, economy, organisation, communication, and social behaviour, which are all interconnected.</p> <p>Central disciplines of this programme are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">PsychologyComputer ScienceBiologyLinguisticsPhilosophy

Course Details

Course organisation The study programme starts with the introduction module in the first semester. After this, students should choose three specialisations from five possible areas:

- Perception
- Cognition and Knowledge
- Language and Linguistics
- Cognitive Neuroscience
- Computation

The final part of the programme is the internship followed by the Master's thesis.

A Diploma supplement will be issued Yes

International elements

- International guest lecturers
- Projects with partners in Germany and abroad

Integrated internships The Master's programme in Cognitive Science contains a six-week internship and three laboratory courses providing hands-on training.

Course-specific, integrated German language courses No

Course-specific, integrated English language courses No

Costs / Funding

Tuition fees per semester in EUR None

Semester contribution

Social fee:
RPTU Kaiserslautern: 285 EUR per semester (includes free transport in the RPTU surroundings, free university sports courses etc.)

Assessment fee:
RPTU Kaiserslautern: 60 EUR (single payment for verification of foreign certificates)

Recommended:
German language & Orientation Course for international students: 750 EUR

Costs of living Monthly cost of living: RPTU in Kaiserslautern: approx. 850 EUR (including accommodation, health insurance, food, Internet, phone, etc.)

For more information:
<https://rptu.de/international/master/prospective-students/why-kaiserslautern/fees-living-expenses>

<https://rptu.de/international/master/prospective-students-rptu-in-landau/why-rptu-landau>

Funding opportunities within the university No

Requirements / Registration

Academic admission requirements

- Qualified Bachelor's degree in Psychology, (Psycho-) Linguistics, Computer Science, Biology, Cognitive Science, or equivalent degrees
- Language proficiency in English

Complete information about prerequisites and the application procedure can be found at the following links:

<https://sowi.rptu.de/en/studium/uebersicht-und-studienangebote/cognitive-science>

<https://sowi.rptu.de/en/studium/uebersicht-und-studienangebote/cognitive-science/admission-requirements-and-application>

<https://applymsc.sowi.uni-kl.de/>

Language requirements

English language proficiency:
TOEFL test: 550 points (paper-based) / 213 points (computer-based) / 80 points (Internet-based) and/or IELTS: 6.0 points

Alternatively, proof that English was the language of instruction during the first degree

No proof of German language proficiency is necessary at the time of application.

Application deadline

30 April (all international students), 31 August (for German students "Bildungsinländer") for the following winter semester

Submit application to

Online application platform: <https://applymsc.sowi.uni-kl.de/>

Further information:

<https://rptu.de/international/master/prospective-students/master-programs/master-programs-in-english>

Services

Possibility of finding part-time employment

Student assistant jobs are available on a competitive basis at the university and its departments, at the affiliated research institutes of the Science & Innovation Alliance Kaiserslautern (including DFKI, Max Planck, Fraunhofer, etc.) or at nearby industry companies (John Deere, Daimler, BASF, etc.).

Excellent students have good chances to find jobs in research projects, but these are not usually granted in advance.

International Affairs RPTU supports international students in finding student jobs and in deepening their professional networks, e.g. by organising networking dialogues with executives from science and industry as informal career meetings.

Accommodation

RPTU Kaiserslautern:

The majority of our students live in residence halls located on or close to campus. The "Studierendenwerk" operates several large halls of residence in Kaiserslautern. Students submit housing applications directly to the Studierendenwerk. For international Master's or PhD students, International Affairs RPTU aims to arrange accommodation in these residence halls or in private

accommodation within its pre-arrival service. The halls of residence have modern single, double or shared apartments with kitchenette, bathroom/WC, and modern facilities as well as Internet access.

- Fully-furnished: kitchenette (no plates & pots, etc.), bed & mattress (no blankets & pillows), wardrobe, shelf, table, chair (no computer)

- Rent: approx. 350 EUR

Since accommodation is not automatically guaranteed with admission, a request for accommodation to ISGS is advisable.

Optional: To help international students get started in Kaiserslautern, the "Studierendenwerk" offers a starter package for the apartment. This package can be purchased for 95 EUR: <https://www.studierendenwerk-kaiserslautern.de/en/housing/international>.

More information: www.uni-kl.de/international/master/prospective-students/travel-accommodation/accommodation/

Career advisory service

International Affairs RPTU supports international students in finding (student) jobs and in deepening their professional networks, e.g. by organising networking dialogues with executives from science and industry as informal career meetings.

Furthermore, we set up interdisciplinary workshops, seminars and info sessions focusing on skills and competences needed to integrate into German (business) culture.

More information: <https://rptu.de/international/master/current-students/enhance-your-degree>

Support for international students and doctoral candidates

- Visa matters

General services and support for international students and doctoral candidates

International Affairs RPTU supports international students in every phase of their stay.

Before your arrival: Effective pre-arrival communication helps you to manage application, visa, residence permit, and housing affairs.

Once you are here: As a warm-up to your studies, we offer an orientation course that combines German language training with administrative support (finding accommodation, registration process, visa, health insurance, rental contracts, etc.) and a cultural and social component including individual guidance in the first days, a campus & city tour, excursions, info sessions, social events, e.g. a welcome party, and more.

During your studies: We provide you with continuing support and accompany you on your way until graduation and entry to the German job market.

More information: <https://rptu.de/international>

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🌐 Course website: <https://sowi.rptu.de/en/studium/uebersicht-und-studienangebote/cognitive-science>

📘 <https://www.facebook.com/RPTUKaiserslauternLandau>

🐦 https://twitter.com/rptu_kl_ld

🌐 <https://de.linkedin.com/school/rheinland-pfaelzische-technische-universitaet-kaiserslautern-landau/>

📷 https://www.instagram.com/rptu_kl_ld

📺 https://www.youtube.com/@RPTU_Kaiserslautern-Landau

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