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**Description/content**
The MSc degree course Molecular Cell Biology and Immunology (MCBI) provides students with an understanding of the complex regulation of cellular and immunological processes in humans and animals. The focus of this programme is on the in-depth scientific investigation of the molecular mechanisms that regulate the function and behaviour of cells and cause disease if defective. The experimental subjects are model organisms, such as mice, Drosophila, or Caenorhabditis as well as cell cultures from animal or human cells. The experimental results provide insight into, e.g. cell functions in cell clusters, cell differentiation, and organ development. The immunological processes are examined with particular reference to disease-related malfunctions, as they occur in cases of immunodeficiency or in the context of tumour immunology.

Course Details

Course organisation
The MSc MCBI programme grants admission to 32 students each year.
For details on the course organisation, please see the MSc MCBI website (MSc MCBI / Curriculum) and the module handbook (MSc MCBI / Downloads).

### Costs / Funding

| Types of assessment                                                                 | Written and oral exams  
|                                                                                      | Written work (protocols, essays, thesis)  
|                                                                                      | Scientific presentations  
| A Diploma supplement will be issued                                                 | Yes  
| International elements                                                            | International guest lecturers  
|                                                                                      | Projects with partners in Germany and abroad  
| Course-specific, integrated German language courses                                | No  
| Course-specific, integrated English language courses                               | No  

#### Costs of living

- According to the Tübingen Student Services Organisation ("Studierendenwerk"), estimated basic student expenses are about 850 EUR per month, including rent for student accommodation. Rent for private accommodation will typically be more expensive.

#### Tuition fees per semester in EUR

- 1,500

#### Semester contribution

- Enrolment fees at the University of Tübingen are currently about 160 EUR per semester. This includes use of local public transport free of charge from Monday to Friday in the evenings, at weekends, and on public holidays. In addition, students may purchase a semester ticket for unlimited use of public transport in the city of Tübingen and the surrounding area (currently about 100 EUR).

#### Additional information on tuition fees

- Approx. 1,500 EUR per semester for students from non-EU countries

#### Funding opportunities within the university

- No

### Requirements / Registration

#### Academic Admission Requirements

- Bachelor’s degree with a grade of at least 2.5 (German grading system)

- The selection criterion for the ranking list is the Bachelor’s degree grade. The exact grade required for admission cannot be specified, as it depends on the number of applicants for the 32 available places. In previous years, the grade limit was around 2.0.

- A grade of 2.5 or better can be "improved" by bonus points, e.g. by an authorship of a scientific publication. More details at MSc MCBI / application info.
**Language requirements**

All applicants require a proof of English language proficiency: native speaker, English-language Bachelor’s degree, TOEFL 95, IELTS 6.0, or English B2 (also possible: English at the German Abitur level).

International applicants require a proof of German language proficiency: DSH1, Goethe-Zertifikat B1, TestDaF 3333.

**Application deadline**

The application deadline is 15 July.

**Submit application to**

Online application: https://uni-tuebingen.de/en/international/study-in-tuebingen/application-for-non-german-students/application-and-admission-of-international-students/

For questions, please contact the office of "Advising and Admission of International Students". E-mail: study.master@uni-tuebingen.de

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**Services**

**Possibility of finding part-time employment**

Students may find jobs as research assistants for projects of the Department of Biology or affiliated research institutes.

**Accommodation**

Accommodation is available through the student services organisation ("Studierendenwerk") or on the private market. Rooms in student accommodation cost approx. 200-400 EUR per month. As Tübingen is a very attractive place to live, private accommodation is more expensive and can take some effort to find. To make sure you find a suitable place to live, you should start looking as early as possible.

We recommend you apply for student accommodation through the “Studierendenwerk” at the same time that you apply for admission to the Master’s programme (See: https://en.my-stuwe.de/housing/halls-of-residence-tuebingen/ and https://en.my-stuwe.de/housing/faqs/) and send in a copy of your notification of admission as soon as you have received it. (Your application won’t be processed before the “Studierendenwerk” has received proof of your admission.) For further information, check out the “Studierendenwerk” website on housing in Tübingen (https://en.my-stuwe.de/housing/).

**Career advisory service**

The University of Tübingen offers a number of different services that offer helpful advice to those planning on studying in Tübingen as well as to students who are already enrolled here – whether they are just beginning their studies, are well into their studies, or are finishing their studies and planning a career.

https://www.uni-tuebingen.de/en/study/advice-and-info.html

**Specific specialist or non-specialist support for international students and doctoral candidates**

- Welcome event
- Accompanying programme
- Other

**Support programmes for international students**

The university offers an orientation week (www.uni-tuebingen.de/en/90790) for all newly arriving students in the week before the official start of the semester. For international students, this includes:
- a welcome and a "help desk" for international students
- the official welcome for international students
- the advisory programme “How to Study at the University of Tübingen”
- a wide range of social activities offered by student groups

German courses are available at the university’s "House of Languages" (www.uni-tuebingen.de/en/1056), including “early bird” and evening classes for beginners, which are specially designed for international Master’s and PhD students.

The student initiative “StudIT” (“Studierenden-Initiative Internationales Tübingen”) offers a buddy programme and a wide range of social activities during the orientation week and throughout the semester (www.studit-tuebingen.de/en/, www.facebook.com/studituebingen).

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