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# INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMMES

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# Master's degree

## Computational Linguistics / Computerlinguistik

**University of Tübingen** • Tübingen

## Overview

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| **Degree** | Master of Arts |
| **Teaching language** | • English |
| **Languages** | English |
| **Full-time / part-time** | • full-time |
| **Programme duration** | 4 semesters |
| **Beginning** | Winter and summer semester |
| **Application deadline** | For non-EU citizens:<br>15 January of the same year for the summer semester (starting in April)<br>15 July of the same year for the winter semester (starting in October)<br><br>For EU citizens:<br>15 March of the same year for the summer semester (starting in April)<br>15 September of the same year for the winter semester (starting in October) |
| **Tuition fees per semester in EUR** | Varied |
| **Additional information on tuition fees** | Approx. 1,500 EUR per semester for students from non-EU countries<br><br>Additionally, there is a semester fee, which currently amounts to 160 EUR per semester. |
| **Combined Master's degree / PhD programme** | No |
| **Joint degree / double degree programme** | No |
| **Description/content** | As one of the leading computational linguistics programmes in Germany, the ISCL MA course of study focuses on current themes in computational linguistics research as well as on practical skills. Students can choose from a wide range of courses in our department and in other departments of the University of Tübingen. Topics dealt with in our courses include grammar formalisms, machine learning, information retrieval, dialectometry, and computer-aided language learning, to name just a few. By engaging in project-driven work and writing term papers, our students learn how to solve problems on a solid academic basis. |

# Course Details

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| **Course organisation** | Students with a BA in computational linguistics can choose which courses they want to take relatively freely. Those with a pure linguistics or computer science background have to catch up on the corresponding counterparts. Many courses offered at our department include hands-on components. It is also possible to take courses at other departments of the university (e.g. computer science or general linguistics) and have them counted as part of the MA degree, with courses external to the department requiring approval by the adviser at the start of the semester. |
| **A Diploma supplement will be issued** | Yes |
| **International elements** | • International guest lecturers |
| **Course-specific, integrated German language courses** | No |
| **Course-specific, integrated English language courses** | No |

# Costs / Funding

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| **Tuition fees per semester in EUR** | Varied |
| **Additional information on tuition fees** | Approx. 1,500 EUR per semester for students from non-EU countries<br><br>Additionally, there is a semester fee, which currently amounts to 160 EUR per semester. |
| **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. |
| **Costs of living** | Estimated basic student expenses are about 950 EUR per month according to the Tübingen Student Services organisation ("Studierendenwerk"), including rent for student accommodation. Rent for private accommodation will be more expensive. |
| **Funding opportunities within the university** | No |

# Requirements / Registration

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| **Academic admission requirements** | A successfully completed university degree |

- with good grades (better than 2.5 on the German grading scale) and
- with a focus on computational linguistics or with a major focus on linguistics or computer science, including at least half of the material covered by the BA in Computational Linguistics in Tübingen as well as
- good English language competence at least at the CEFR level B2 (for details, see below) and
- an obligatory motivation letter spelling out your background related to computational linguistics and your motivation for studying it

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| **Language requirements** | - All courses in the Computational Linguistics degree programme are taught in English. A high level of competence in English is therefore a prerequisite in order to successfully enrol and participate in the programme.<br><br>- A formal proof of competence at least at the B2 level of the Common European Framework of Reference is required and should be documented via one of the standard international tests (TOEFL, IELTS, etc.). The required scores are:<br>  - IELTS: 6.5 or more<br>  - TOEFL iBT: 79 or more<br>  - Cambridge: First Certificate of English (FCE)<br><br>- Applicants with a German Abitur including English at least from the year eight to the last year of school with the final grade of "good" and applicants whose native language is English or who graduated from a school at which English was the language of instruction in a country with English as the first official language do not need to submit additional proof of English competence. |
| **Application deadline** | For non-EU citizens:<br>15 January of the same year for the summer semester (starting in April)<br>15 July of the same year for the winter semester (starting in October)<br><br>For EU citizens:<br>15 March of the same year for the summer semester (starting in April)<br>15 September of the same year for the winter semester (starting in October) |
| **Submit application to** | Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen<br><br>Online application: https://uni-tuebingen.de/en/facilities/administration/iv-student-affairs/advising-and-admission-of-international-students/<br><br>For questions regarding the application process, please contact the International Students Admissions Office via e-mail: study@uni-tuebingen.de. |

# Services

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| **Possibility of finding part-time employment** | There are a number of positions for student research assistants in our department, and we traditionally fill these positions with participants from the ISCL programme. |
| **Accommodation** | Accommodation is available through the Student Services organisation ("Studierendenwerk") or on the private market. Rooms in student accommodation cost approx. 200 to 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.<br><br>We recommend you apply for student accommodation through the "Studierendenwerk" at the same time that you apply for admission to the Master's programme (https://www.my-stuwe.de/en/housing/halls-of-residence-tuebingen/ and https://www.my-stuwe.de/en/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" pages on housing in Tübingen (https://www.my-stuwe.de/en/housing/housing-infos/).

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| **Support for international students and doctoral candidates** | <ul><li>Welcome event</li><li>Buddy programme</li></ul> |
| **General services and support for international students and doctoral candidates** | The university offers several "on-boarding" services, e.g. a help desk, a buddy programme, the "How to Study at the University of Tübingen" advisory programme, and a wide range of social activities offered by student groups. Please refer to https://uni-tuebingen.de/en/182071.<br><br>The university's Office for Advising and Admission of International Students offers advice on all academic matters (http://www.uni-tuebingen.de/en/90787).<br><br>German courses are available at the university's House of Languages (www.uni-tuebingen.de/en/1056).<br><br>The student initiative "StudiT" offers a buddy programme and social activities during the Orientation Week and throughout the semester (www.studit-tuebingen.de/en/). |

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