



Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst  
German Academic Exchange Service



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# Preparatory course



## HTW Foundation – PreDSH

HTW Berlin University of Applied Sciences • Berlin



## Overview

### Teaching language

- German

### Date(s)

- April - September 2024 (Registration deadline of course provider: 15 September 2023)
- October 2024 - March 2025 (Registration deadline of course provider: 15 March 2024)

### Additional information on dates and mode of study

For detailed information concerning the course dates, please contact us directly at [Foundation-Team@HTW-Berlin.de](mailto:Foundation-Team@HTW-Berlin.de).

### Description/content

#### Are you planning to study in Germany?

The HTW Foundation's **Pre-DSH Programme** is aimed at prospective students with a university entrance qualification who are not yet enrolled at a German university and offers them:

- German language courses from level B2.2 to C1+
- Intense preparation for the DSH examination at HTW Berlin (DSH = German language examination for university entrance)
- Workshops to improve general study skills
- Cultural activities in Berlin and social on-campus activities
- Participation in the DSH examination at HTW Berlin

In addition to the intensive classes in academic German, reading and listening comprehension, text production, and oral communication, we also offer modules that prepare students for their future studies in Germany (e.g. presentation skills, academic writing, intercultural communication, time management, learning strategies). The programme also features laboratory visits, campus tours, and step-by-step counselling on applying for a degree programme in Germany.

The programme consists of 24 classroom hours (45 minutes per classroom hour) per week.

You will also obtain an invitation letter in order to apply for a visa.

## Course Details

### Course components

- Language course
- General preparation for studies
- Preparation for academic working methods
- Intercultural training

- Excursions
- Preparation for entrance examinations

<b>Further information on the language course / language courses</b>	<p>Improve your German language skills from level B2.2 to C1+!</p> <p>Learn German directly at HTW Berlin University of Applied Sciences!</p> <p>Enhance your language skills with a special focus on study-related topics and competences!</p>
<b>Recognised language exams offered (e.g. DSH, TestDaF, TOEFL)</b>	Yes
<b>Average number of hours per week</b>	24
<b>Do course participants have student status?</b>	No
<b>Does this course involve taking the university entrance examination or does the course specifically prepare students for this examination?</b>	No
<b>Preparation for degree programmes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bachelor's degree</li> <li>• Master's degree</li> </ul>
<b>Preparation for subject groups</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Engineering</li> <li>• Law, Economics and Social Sciences</li> <li>• Mathematics, Natural Sciences</li> <li>• Art, Art Theory</li> </ul>
<b>Further information on subsequent admission to degree programmes/guaranteed admission</b>	<p>HTW Berlin University of Applied Sciences offers <a href="#">study programmes</a> in five different departments, spanning a range of fields from engineering, computer science, and economics to culture and design. For further information regarding the application process for a degree programme at HTW Berlin, please visit the HTW website regarding <a href="#">application procedures</a> or contact us at <a href="mailto:Foundation-Team@HTW-Berlin.de">Foundation-Team@HTW-Berlin.de</a>. We will support you during the application process.</p>
<b>Average number of participants per group/course</b>	20

## Costs / Requirements / Registration

<b>Costs</b>	2,580 EUR
<b>This price includes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Course fees</li> <li>• Course fees for language course</li> </ul>

**Academic admission requirements**

The programme is geared towards international applicants who are planning on studying in Germany but do not yet meet all language requirements. Applicants for the HTW Foundation Programme must prove:

- good knowledge of German language (B2)
- university entrance qualification recognised in Germany

Are you unsure whether you meet the requirements for the programme? Contact [Foundation-Team@HTW-Berlin.de](mailto:Foundation-Team@HTW-Berlin.de) and we will provide you with guidance to help you navigate your path towards a German university.

**Language requirements**

A certification of German language skills at a B2 level is required for the application.

If you do not yet have the required German language skills, please contact [Foundation-Team@HTW-Berlin.de](mailto:Foundation-Team@HTW-Berlin.de) so that we can provide you with information about alternative courses.

**Do applicants require a higher education entrance qualification recognised in Germany?**

Yes

**Do applicants have to have already been admitted to a study programme at your university?**

No

**Submit application to**

We look forward to receiving your [online application](#) for study preparation courses!

Should you have any questions about study preparation at HTW Berlin, please do not hesitate to contact us at [Foundation-Team@HTW-Berlin.de](mailto:Foundation-Team@HTW-Berlin.de).

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## Services

**Is accommodation organised?**

The organiser helps participants look for accommodation.

**Accommodation**

Once you are accepted into the programme, we will provide you with detailed information on finding accommodation in Berlin.

**Meals**

Meals (under 10 EUR) can be purchased at both campuses:

- [Treskowallee canteen](#)
- [Treskowalle cafeteria](#)
- [Wilhelminenhof canteen](#)
- [Wilhelminenhof cafeteria](#)

**Is a social and leisure programme offered?**

Yes

**Description of social and leisure programme**

The programme includes:

- excursions into Berlin's vibrant and versatile cultural life
- on-campus events (laboratory visits, campus tours)
- extensive support and continuous guidance throughout the programme
- support in applying for a degree programme in Germany

Free internet access	Yes
Support in visa matters	No
Pick-up service from train station/airport	No

## – HTW Berlin University of Applied Sciences –



Treskowallee campus

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As Berlin's biggest university of applied sciences, HTW Berlin provides more than 14,000 students with access to over 70 different Bachelor's and Master's degree programmes.

We are regularly recognised for the high quality of our programmes. In fact, we are the **first university in Berlin to receive the quality seal from the Accreditation Council**, so we are able to guarantee the quality standards of our study programmes. HTW Berlin graduates are repeatedly **ranked among the best by the personnel managers** of the largest German companies.

At HTW Berlin, we partner and collaborate with over 130 universities worldwide. Across our two campuses and via our virtual programmes, we host **more than 3,000 high-achieving international students**. HTW Berlin offers a welcoming and academically challenging environment for dedicated international students. We also provide excellent support structures for our international students and participants in study preparation programmes.

We offer study programmes in five different departments, spanning a range of fields, from engineering, computer science and economics to culture and design. Traditional applied sciences like mechanical engineering, automotive engineering and business administration go hand in hand with innovative studies such as information technology and networked systems, construction and real estate management, or renewable energy systems technology. Our programmes are **diverse, multidisciplinary and led by the pressing needs of organisations, corporations, non-profits, industries and society**.

HTW Berlin supports research and development projects as well as innovative education and cultural programmes. Areas of focus include the information society, energy-related issues, environmental problems, entrepreneurial start-ups, competitiveness of small and medium-sized enterprises, social economics, and political issues such as European and national labour market policies or the effects of globalisation.

[Learn more about our degree programmes.](#)



## University location

**Berlin** is a city of constant change. Nobody ever stands still and nothing ever stays the same. Turn your attention elsewhere for too long and the city will have evolved right under your feet.

The city was always cutting edge (Berlin is the birthplace of cabaret and techno as well as the one-time residence of Bauhaus, Bertolt Brecht, and David Bowie), but since 1989 and the fall of the Berlin Wall, Berlin has become the largest site of new development in Europe. Never before has such a large city had the opportunity to re-create itself. And Berlin is certainly taking on the task quite admirably. Whether it is the glamour and glitz of the Sony Centre on Potsdamer Platz, Daniel Libeskind's new Jewish Museum, the hip cafés in Prenzlauer Berg, or the refined elegance of the newly founded diplomatic quarter, the status quo is now very unfashionable in Berlin.

An extremely multicultural city of approximately 3.5 million people – with the cultural resources to match – there is nearly always something going on in Berlin. Whether you are into art museums, cinema, theatre, opera, discos, or the café scene, it is certain there will be something to your taste. Are you more of an outdoor person? Berlin is also one of the greenest cities in Europe – even within the city limits you will find a spot where you can get away from it all.


Berlin has the largest and most diverse student population in Germany. The 140,000 university students who call Berlin home give a great lift to the city's spirit. So, **join us and be part of it!**

## Contact

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