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WILHELMS-UNIVERSITÄT  
MÜNSTER

# STUDY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MÜNSTER



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# THE UNIVERSITY OF MÜNSTER (WWU)

Founded in 1780, the University of Münster (WWU) is a university with tradition. 43,000 students, 3,500 international students, 7,500 graduates every year...But these are just numbers. At our university, it is the people who count: their knowledge, their research, their curiosity.

See the University of Münster on film: [www.uni-muenster.de/en/](http://www.uni-muenster.de/en/)

## STUDY COURSES

The teaching provided by the 15 faculties ([www.uni-muenster.de/en/institutions/](http://www.uni-muenster.de/en/institutions/)) comprises 280 degree courses at Bachelor, Master and PhD level from all areas of the Humanities, Social Sciences, Natural Sciences, Medicine and Music.

- › Faculty of Protestant Theology
- › Faculty of Roman Catholic Theology
- › Faculty of Law
- › School of Business and Economics
- › Faculty of Medicine
- › Faculty of Educational and Social Sciences
- › Faculty of Psychology / Sport and Exercise Science
- › Faculty of History / Philosophy
- › Faculty of Philology
- › Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science
- › Faculty of Physics
- › Faculty of Chemistry and Pharmacy
- › Faculty of Biology
- › Faculty of Geosciences
- › Faculty of Music

We offer **English-taught** degree courses in Sport Science (Bachelor), Geoinformatics (Master), Information Systems (Master), Physics (Master), English Philology and Culture Studies (Master), Anthropology (Master), and Political Sciences (Master). **PhD degree courses** are offered as **individually supervised doctorates** as well as **structured doctoral studies** (Graduate School).

Detailed information on our Bachelor, Master and PhD courses and research opportunities can be found on our website:  
[www.uni-muenster.de/en/international\\_students/](http://www.uni-muenster.de/en/international_students/)

There is a variety of exchange programmes at the WWU.  
For more information, please visit: [go.wwu.de/exchange](http://go.wwu.de/exchange)



# FACTS AND FIGURES

## TEACHING

- › 15 faculties
- › 280 degree courses in the Humanities, Social Sciences, Natural Sciences, Medicine and Music
- › English-taught degree courses, double-degree and joint degree courses
- › 43,000 students
- › 7,500 graduates per year

## RESEARCH

- › 125th position in the Times Higher Education Ranking
- › 26 scientific centres, 12 associated institutes
- › English-taught degree courses, double-degree and joint degree courses
- › Cooperation with Center for NanoTechnology (CeNTech), Fraunhofer Institute of Molecular Biology and Applied Ecology (IME), Helmholtz Institute Münster – Ionics in Energy Storage and Max Planck Institute of Molecular Biomedicine
- › 10 Leibniz Prize winners
- › 30 structured doctoral courses (e.g. International Research Training Groups (DFG), Marie Curie Initial Networks, Research Schools and Graduate Schools)
- › 2 Excellence Clusters („Cells in Motion“, „Religion and Politics“)

- › 7 Collaborative Research Centres (CRCs) led by WWU, participation in 3 further CRCs

## INTERNATIONAL PROFILE

- › Over 550 partnership agreements with universities and academic institutes worldwide
- › Around 700 visiting academics per year
- › Around 3,500 foreign students at the WWU
- › Top position in the European Exchange Programme “ERASMUS +”
- › Member of academic networks such as China-NRW-University Alliance, U 15
- › WWU Brazil Center and WWU Center for Europe, Liaison offices in São Paulo (Brazil), Brussels (Belgium), and Beijing (China)

## UNIVERSITY LIFE

- › University Sports: over 100 types of sports, international sports competitions
- › Wide-ranging cultural activities: music, theatre, dance and art

## HIGH QUALITY OF LIFE AND SAFETY – THE CITY OF MÜNSTER

- › 300.000 inhabitants
- › City of the historic Peace Treaty of Westphalia signed in 1648
- › Green city with a high standard of living
- › Most cycle-friendly city in Germany
- › 19 million visitors per year





## MÜNSTER ...

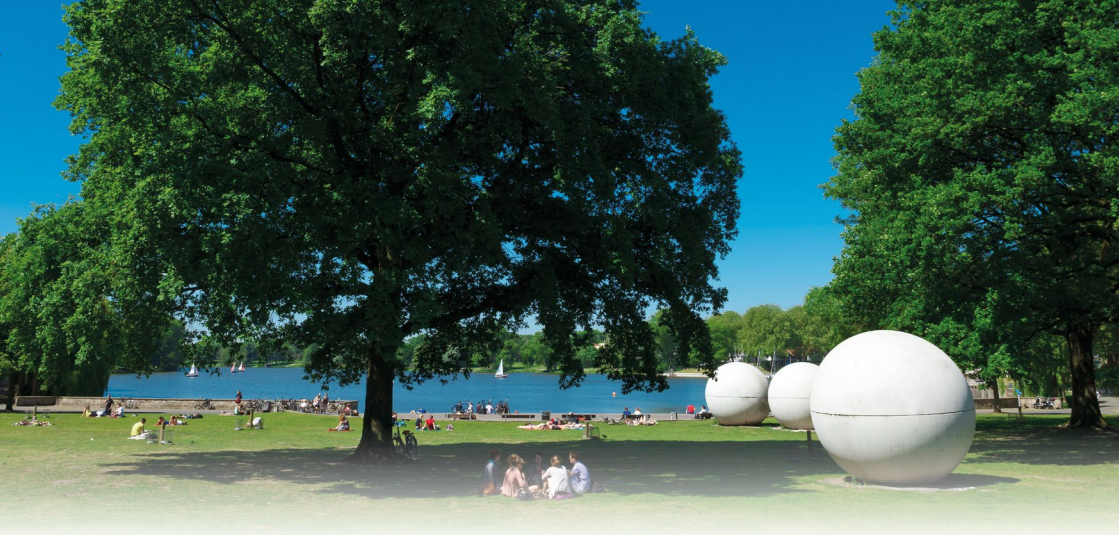
... is in the west of Germany, in the northern part of the State of North Rhine-Westphalia, and is the cultural and structural centre of the region of Westphalia. With a combined total of around 65,000 students, WWU and Münster's other institutions of higher education make up more than one-fifth of the city's population of 300,000. As a result, Münster is a young, dynamic city whose lifestyle and leisure activities are marked by the universities and their students. The historic city centre, with its arcades, churches, townhouses, winding side-streets, bustling squares, traditional pubs and modern street cafés is popular among tourists and Münster residents alike.

... is a green city. The Residence Park, the Botanical Garden and the Promenade – a green ring around the city centre – are the city's oases. Right next to the city centre is Lake Aa, ideal for walks, picnics, jogging and sailing. And – Münster is Germany's bicycle capital: almost one in four people ride a bike here, taking them comfortably and safely around the whole city.

... is, all in all, a medium-sized city which is known not only for its high standard of living, but also for enjoying a high degree of safety. It was for these reasons that Münster was presented with the LiveCom Award as the "most liveable city in the world".







## LIVING AND STUDYING IN MÜNSTER

### FINANCIAL MATTERS

Tuition fees are not levied in Münster. However, a semester charge of € 270 has to be paid. For this you receive a semester ticket entitling you to free use of public transport all over North Rhine-Westphalia. In addition, the semester charge gives you further benefits in refectories or at cultural events etc. Living expenses in Münster are around € 720 a month, including accommodation, student health insurance, food and leisure activities.

### SCHOLARSHIPS

Our website provides information on scholarships and other funding possibilities:

- › For Bachelor and Master courses:

[www.uni-muenster.de/en/international\\_students/graduate/financial\\_support/index.shtml](http://www.uni-muenster.de/en/international_students/graduate/financial_support/index.shtml)

- › For PhD courses:

[www.uni-muenster.de/en/international\\_students/doctoral/financial](http://www.uni-muenster.de/en/international_students/doctoral/financial)

### WORKING

Bachelor and Master students from non-EU countries may work 120 full days or 240 half-days per year, regardless of the income earned.

### ACCOMMODATION

Münster is very popular amongst students and therefore accommodation is often scarce. You may apply for a room or apartment in one of the student halls of residence of the Student Support Services ("Studentenwerk Münster"). Many students also share flats; a room in shared flat.

Please use our website for further information: [www.uni-muenster.de/en/living/accomodation/](http://www.uni-muenster.de/en/living/accomodation/)



## YOUR APPLICATION

### GENERAL ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

#### › **University entrance qualification**

You need a university entrance qualification recognized in Germany to study at WWU.

#### › **(German or English) language requirements**

For all German-taught courses you need good up to excellent German language skills (between levels B2 – C2 depending on the course). We accept several official certificates as proof of your German language skills. Please note that the English-taught courses have specific English language requirements.

### INTENSIVE GERMAN LANGUAGE COURSES AT THE WWU

If you have a university entrance qualification and B1-level German language competence, you can apply for a language course (1–2 semesters) at our university.

#### › **Additional documents / requirements:**

For some degree courses additional documents such as a proof of another language or work experience might be required. This might be the case especially for Master courses.

Please find further information on our admission requirements and our German language courses here:

[www.uni-muenster.de/en/international\\_students/](http://www.uni-muenster.de/en/international_students/)



## APPLICATION PERIODS FOR COURSES WITH RESTRICTED ACCESS

Type of course	Winter semester	Summer semester
Language course	Beginning of May – 31 May	Beginning of Nov. – 30 Nov.
Bachelor/ Master degree courses	<p>› <b>EU applicants:</b> Beginning of May – 15 July</p> <p>› <b>Non-EU applicants:</b> Beginning of May – 31 May.</p>	<p>› <b>EU applicants:</b> Beginning of Nov. – 15 Jan.</p> <p>› <b>Non-EU applicants:</b> Beginning of Nov. – 30 Nov.</p>
PhD degree courses	<p>› <b>individually supervised PhD:</b> enrolment period: Mid-August – 30 Nov</p> <p>› <b>structured doctorate:</b> different application periods apply, depending on the respective Graduate School</p>	<p>› <b>individually supervised PhD:</b> enrolment period: Mid-February – 15 June</p> <p>› <b>structured doctorate:</b> different application periods apply, depending on the respective Graduate School</p>

Please note that for bachelor courses with non-restricted access different application periods apply.

Please find more information on our application periods here:  
[www.uni-muenster.de/studium/bewerbung/fristen.shtml](http://www.uni-muenster.de/studium/bewerbung/fristen.shtml)

[www.uni-muenster.de/en/  
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