

## **Welcome to the Brandenburg University of Applied Sciences!**

We are a young university in a historic townscape offering attractive and future-oriented study programs. Our students learn with colleagues from more than sixty countries in one of three departments: engineering, business and management, computer science and media. Our state-of-the-art laboratories enable students to experience applied sciences. With our regional partners from industry, business, trade and management, students gain hands-on experience while still at school.

Students can complete their academic profile, consisting of scientific projects and practical experience, with a study abroad, since we offer a large choice of international cooperation with partners in Europe and overseas. Additionally, since the well-being of our students is a particular concern of ours, we provide excellent individual support for each student which distinguishes our school from overcrowded, impersonal institutions elsewhere.

All of our graduate degrees (Master and Bachelor) are internationally acknowledged. The university, founded in 1992, is located in the medieval city of Brandenburg surrounded by scenic rivers and lakes. The 100-year-old red brick buildings, along with three newly erected modern facilities, successfully blend tradition with modernity and create an ideal environment for 3000 currently-enrolled students to focus on our modern work-oriented programs on what is perhaps one of the most beautiful campuses in Germany.

### **Many good reasons to study at our school**

- High Standing in CHE university ranking
- Individual care and support for career entry
- Practice-oriented research and teaching with solid scientific standards
- A variety of academic programs abroad
- Park-like campus with short walking distances
- Financial support by the university's student Foundation
- Low cost of living thanks to student dorms in Brandenburg an der Havel
- Reduced-fare student tickets for public transport including trips to the nearby capital, Berlin



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## 1 Study Programs at a Glance

Department	Program	Degree	Restricted Admission *
<b>Business and Management</b>	Business Administration (General Management)	Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.)	<b>yes</b>
	Business Administration (International Management)	Master of Science (B.Sc.)	no
	Distant Learning Business Administration	Diplom-Betriebswirt/in (FH)	no
	Business Informatics	Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.)	no
	Business Informatics – Information Process Management	Master of Science (M.Sc.)	no
	Technology and Innovation Management	Master of Arts (M.Sc.)	no
	Security Management	Master of Science (M.Sc.)	no
<b>Informatics and Media</b>	Informatics	Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.), Master of Science (M.Sc.)	no
	Online Informatics and Media	Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.), Master of Science (M.Sc.)	no
	Applied Computer Science	Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.)	no
	Medical Informatics	Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.)	no
	Digital Media	(M.Sc.)	no
<b>Engineering</b>	Mechanical Engineering	Bachelor of Engineering (B. Eng.)	<b>no</b>
	Mechatronik und Automatization	Bachelor of Engineering (B. Eng.)	no
	IT-Electronics	Bachelor of Engineering (B. Eng.)	no
	Microsystems and Optical Technologies	Bachelor of Engineering (B. Eng.)	no
	Energy Efficiency of Technical Systems	Master of Science (M.Eng.)	no
	Computer Aided Robust Engineering	Master of Science (M.Eng.)	no

\* Restricted number of admissions



In the event that your application documents are approved, they will be forwarded by Uni-Assist to Brandenburg University. Brandenburg University alone will then make the decision of whether or not to admit you. Please note that you have to pay a fee (<https://www.uni-assist.de/entgeltordnung.html>) for Uni-Assist's application services.

Your online application (<https://www.uni-assist.de/online/>) requires the following documents.

- Secondary school certificate with transcript of grades
- Certificate of university entrance examination, if applicable
- University certificates, if applicable
- Proof of German language skills
- Proof of English language skills, if applicable

All documents must be translated into German or English and be certified by a notary public, a public authority or embassy.

For enrollment at the University of Applied Sciences Brandenburg, you also need to present:

- Passport with valid visa or residence permit
- Insurance certificate issued by a German statutory health insurance
- Proof of payment of the semester fee such, e.g. bank statement

### German language skills

To be admitted to the Brandenburg University, you have to pass one of the following examinations in German as a Foreign Language:

- DSH (German language examination for university admission of foreign Applicants) examination level 2 (level 1 is sufficient in some cases).
- TestDaF, level 3, for some programs a total of 15 points is sufficient. See [www.testdaf.de](http://www.testdaf.de) for further information.
- C1 of the Goethe Institute [www.goethe.de/dll/prf/enindex.htm](http://www.goethe.de/dll/prf/enindex.htm)
- German Language Diploma of the KMK, Level 2 ( DSD II) <http://www.kmk.org/bildung-schule/auslandsschulwesen/deutschsprachdiplom.html>

Alternatively, Brandenburg University, in cooperation with the University of Potsdam, offers a preparatory intensive German course. You need to pass the B2 exam given at the end of this course in order to fulfill the German language requirements. See [www.uni-potsdam.de/zessko-sprachen/daf/einstufung.html](http://www.uni-potsdam.de/zessko-sprachen/daf/einstufung.html) for more information.

## 2a Entry and Visa Requirements

In order to enroll at the Brandenburg University, a student visa is required. Be aware that the processing time of an application for a student visa can take up to several months. Current information about the visa application can be found at [www.auswaertiges-amt.de/www/de/willkommen/einreisebestimmungen/index.html](http://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/www/de/willkommen/einreisebestimmungen/index.html)

Important: The visa must be issued for the actual purpose of the stay. A tourist visa is not sufficient! It is not possible to have your visa changed after entering the country

Visas are issued for a maximum of one year. Please make absolutely sure that the validity period of your visa is accurate.

## 3 Accommodations

### On campus

The university provides a dorm on campus close to the lecture halls. Upon admission, you will receive the request form for a room reservation along with your registration papers. We offer furnished rooms in a shared apartment for 2-6 students or single apartments.

Information about the residences can be found at

<http://www.studentenwerk-potsdam.de/wohnen.html>

In a timely manner, you will receive a written confirmation for a room from the Student Services Potsdam, which is in charge of the room assignment on campus.



[Studentenwerk Potsdam \(http://www.studentenwerk-potsdam.de/\)](http://www.studentenwerk-potsdam.de/)

Abteilung Studentisches Wohnen

Babelsberger Straße 2

D-14473 Potsdam

(main station in Potsdam, entrance Lange Brücke)

#### Off campus

For those students who do not want or cannot get a room in the dorm, we recommend arriving in Brandenburg well before the beginning of the term in order to find accommodation in the private sector. The Allgemeiner Studentenausschuss (AStA) offers assistance in finding accommodations.

Email: [astasoZIAles@fh-brandenburg.de](mailto:astasoZIAles@fh-brandenburg.de)

Within walking distance of Brandenburg University there is an apartment house called "Caasi". In addition to short-term accommodations, "Caasi" also offers one and two-room apartments at special rates for students. See [www.caasi.de](http://www.caasi.de) for more information and reservations.

You can also find accommodation in the region at <http://www.wg-gesucht.de/>.

#### **4 Leisure-Time**

How about a workout? The students' association offers a wide range of sports such as archery, rugby, gliding, and Zumba. In summer, the focus lies on activities in and on the water - you can rent sailing boats and canoes, take sailing courses or ride in a Dragon boat. You can register for these activities at the sports office of AStA [www.sport.fh-brandenburg.de](http://www.sport.fh-brandenburg.de).

In town there is an inexpensive swimming pool (whirlpool and sauna) as well as a theater, two cinemas and various nightclubs. If you want more nightlife, Berlin is a stone's throw away.



## 5 The City of Brandenburg

The 1050-year-old city of Brandenburg has three historic districts: Old Town, New Town and Cathedral Island. Built in 1401, the St. Catherine's Church and the St. Gotthardtkirche are impressive examples of North German Brick Gothic architecture. In front of the Old Town Hall is a five meter tall Roland statue, which was erected as a landmark of the city in the late 15<sup>th</sup> century.

On Cathedral Island, the former center of the city, rises the oldest building in Brandenburg: the Cathedral of St. Peter and Paul. With more than four hundred historic buildings, the city has by far the largest number of historical monuments in the state of Brandenburg.

The cityscape is dominated significantly by the river Havel. The surrounding areas are rich in forests and plains; numerous lakes call for sport and relaxation. Admittedly, the winter offers fewer opportunities for outdoor recreation, but one can go ice-skating on the frozen lakes or go sledding on the Marienberg.

In warm weather, one can choose from a great variety of water sports such as sailing, boating, rowing, fishing or swimming. At the picturesque lakes in and around Brandenburg charming beaches invite you to relax. Beautiful trails attract hikers and cyclists alike. Riding and gliding enthusiasts find great conditions, and even golfers can pursue their sport in

close reach. It is worthwhile to rent a bicycle or a canoe to explore the beautiful landscape around Brandenburg. Boat tours on the river Havel are another popular option to discover the city from a different point of view.

What many people in Germany do not know: the city of Brandenburg an der Havel gave the state of Brandenburg its name. In Brandenburg, there are several interesting museums to visit, including an industrial museum, the Cathedral Museum, a crime and torture museum, an annual Air Show and much more.

See [www.fvv-brandenburg.de](http://www.fvv-brandenburg.de) or [www.stadt-brb.de](http://www.stadt-brb.de) for more information about Brandenburg.

