

Your Invitation to an International Exchange Semester at Freie Universität Berlin

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How to Design Your International Exchange Semester at Freie Universität Berlin

Orientation

As an incoming student, you may experience one week of orientation in order to get to know the university, the programme structures and their fellow students more easily. The **orientation days** include different information events concerning everyday university life as well as activities like campus tours or boat trips. The International Office also organizes further excursions and workshops like “Intercultural Training” during the semester.

The **International Club** offers you and German students a variety of events like movie or bar nights and excursions all year long, which makes it a great place to meet people from all over the world and to become acquainted with Berlin and the university.

You also have the opportunity to achieve an intercultural exchange and learn the German language at the same time by taking part in the **Tandem Programme** of the FU Language Centre.

Regular Course Offer

The FUB offers a wide range of studies on all academic levels. You may attend regular courses of the subject they are enrolled in. Students usually put together the semester schedule according to the **Course Catalogue** on their own.

The bachelor's degree programmes at FUB include an additional component: **General Professional Skills (ABV)**. It may provide you with interdisciplinary skills in different areas to improve your career prospects: information and media, gender and diversity, organization and management, communication, sustainable development or subject-related additional qualifications.

Courses for International Exchange Students

As an exchange student may sign up for special courses on **“Berlin and Germany in a European Perspective”**. The different modules cover key aspects of German history, culture or society and help you acquire useful skills for a German academic environment:

- Orientation in Berlin and Germany (GER)
- Central Aspects of German and European Society and Culture (GER)
- Key Issues of German and European Culture (GER)
- Film, Art and Literature in a Social and Cultural Context (GER)
- Aspects of German and European Culture (ENG)
- German and European Politics (ENG)
- German Media – Media in Germany (ENG)
- German History in a European Context (ENG)
- Economy and Economics in Germany and Europe (ENG)

German Language Courses

The FU Language Centre offers **German language courses** prior to and during the semester. For exchange students there is a reduced participation fee for the six-week intensive pre-semester courses. The courses during the semester range from 4–8 hours per week and are free of charge.

For further information, please check our homepage:

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We are looking forward to welcoming you at Freie Universität Berlin!