International Master Students

University Profile
The University of Cologne (UoC) is a modern university in the heart of Europe. Academic excellence, internationality and widely varied curricula create a vibrant and inspiring environment for students, scientists and scholars. Since its distinction in the frame of the German Universities Excellence Initiative, the UoC belongs to the small group of elite universities in Germany.

Semester Dates
Winter Semester: October 1 - March 31
Summer Semester: April 1 - September 30
Pre-Semester Courses: Start one month before the lectures

Cologne
Cologne’s open and friendly atmosphere and its international outlook make it a place where people from all over the world feel easily at home. Cologne is Germany’s fourth largest city with a population of about one million people. It is home to a total number of over 150,000 students at 19 different institutions of higher education.

Further Information
- You need a proof of health insurance coverage from a German statutory health insurer or – if you are already insured in your home country – an exemption certificate from a German statutory health insurer. A German statutory health insurance costs approx. 90 EUR per month. If you are 30 years or older you do not need to submit a proof of a health insurance.
- The UoC does not charge any tuition fees. However, all students must pay a social contribution fee of around 265 EUR per semester. This fee also includes a ticket for public transportation (busses & rail) in North Rhine-Westphalia.

Insurance Requirements
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Total Number of Students at UoC
approx. 50,000

Total Number of International Students at UoC
approx. 4,000

Housing Information for Students’ Dormitory
- Kölner Studierendenwerk
- wohnen@kstw.de
- kstw.de
- Rent per month
  - 200 - 300 EUR students’ dormitory
  - 300 - 400 EUR shared flat
  - 350 - 500 EUR single flat
- Estimated Cost of Living (incl. rent) per month
  - 850 EUR

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Visa Requirements
- Please inform yourself in your home country about visa conditions. At the latest 90 days after arrival, a residence permit must be applied for.

Semester Fee
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1. Master Programmes offered in German
2. Master Programmes offered in English

Master Programmes

You can find a complete listing of all Master programmes at ukoeln.de/PQ7C8

- Business Administration
- International Management – CEMS MIM
- Economics
- Sociology and Social Research
- Double Master’s Programme in Business Administration
- Double Master’s Programme in Health Economics and Management
- Double Master’s Programme in European Studies
- Double Master’s Programme in Demography and Social Inequality
- Biological Science
- Chemistry
- Physics
- Physics of the Earth and Atmosphere
- International Master of Environmental Sciences IMES
- Master in Culture and Environment in Africa
- North American Studies

General Requirements

1. Adequate Bachelor’s degree
   You need a Bachelor’s degree that is adequate to a German undergraduate degree. You can check if your undergraduate degree is recognized in Germany at anabin.kmk.org. Please refer to the adherent Master Admissions Committee.

2. Language Requirements
   a. for programmes offered in German
      - DSH-2 or higher
      - TestDaF level TDN4 in all four test parts
      - C2 certificate from Goethe Institute
      - DSD Stufe II of the KMK
      - Telc C1 Hochschule or Telc Deutsch C2
   b. for programmes offered in English or partially English

Application

Deadlines

- Winter Semester: July 15 (may differ)
- Summer Semester: January 15

Application Procedure

The application procedure depends on the Master’s Programme! Applicants with a non-German degree (Bachelor or equivalent) apply via uni-assist e.V.

You can find detailed information at ukoeln.de/7ZDL2.

Contact

You can find detailed information on ukoeln.de/7ZDL2 or have a look into our Master Guide on ukoeln.de/ZSQ8I.

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