



PFH

PRIVATE UNIVERSITY
of Applied Sciences

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PFH Private Hochschule Göttingen

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✉ For partnership agreements:
international-office@pfh.de

↔ For exchange students:
incomings@pfh.de

Academic Calendar

	Fall semester	Spring semester
Official start and end of semester:	1 October - 31 March	1 April - 30 September
Orientation week:	One week before start of lectures	One week before start of lectures
Lecture and examination period:	2nd/3rd week of October – end of January	2nd/3rd week of April – mid/end July
Lecture and intensive German language courses: (Optional; at PFH partner institute Ilk; additional fees apply)	Before and during the semester	Before and during the semester

Nomination and Application

Nomination deadline

Fall semester: 31 July

Spring semester: 31 January

Nomination deadline

Nomination by email to incomings@pfh.de with the following information about the student:

- Name
- Gender
- E-mail address
- Field of study
- Semester

Application deadline

Fall semester: 15 August
Spring semester: 15 February

Application procedure & required documents

After nomination, students have to apply to PFH on www.pfh-university.com/international-exchange-students together with the following documents:

- Copy of passport/ID card
- Electronic passport-sized photo in jpeg or bitmap
- *Language certificates (if non-native speaker)
- Transcript from home institution (in English)
- CV (résumé) in English or German
- Certificate of enrolment at home institution
- Proof of health insurance valid in Germany for time of stay (if not available at the time of application, documents are to be handed in at least one week prior to arrival)

*Language requirements

Students are required to have a good command of either German (minimum B1, e.g., Goethe-Certificate B1) or English (minimum B2, e.g., TOEFL iBT 4,0-4,5, TOEIC 750 [min 785, reading min 385, and listening min 400] or IELTS 5.5).

Confirmation of acceptance

The confirmation of acceptance will be sent to the student by email after admission requirements have been checked.

Transcript of records

The transcript of records is sent by email to the student and the coordinator of the home university eight weeks after completion of the last exam.

Information for Students requirements

Course catalogue

You can find a description of the courses offered to exchange students* @ www.pfh-university.com/international-exchange-students

*50% of the courses selected must be lecture-based courses. Please note that courses marked with WS only take place in the fall semester and courses marked with SS only in the spring semester. Course catalogues are subject to change.

German language course

In-house German language course
(optional - free of charge)

PFH offers two sessions per week (3 ECTS) for a complete semester course based on your German language level. This is not an intensive course!

German language course

Intensive German courses
(optional - at PFH partner institute IIK; additional fees apply)

At the Institute of Intercultural Communication (IIK), German language courses can be attended before the start of and during the semester. Attending the IIK intensive course during the semester can lead to massive overlaps with the courses at PFH. Intensive courses (6 ECTS) generally consist of 150 lessons and take place over a period of six weeks. Students are required to pay the course fees in advance to IIK. Further information is available on the IIK website: www.iik-goettingen.de/en/

ECTS

Each course at PFH usually carries between 2 and 6 ECTS. 1 ECTS corresponds to 30 hours of study, which consists of self-study and lectures (on-campus hours). The exact number of credits and on-campus hours can be found in the [course catalogue](#).

German grading system

1,0 excellent	3,0 satisfactory
1,3 excellent	3,3 satisfactory
1,7 good	3,7 sufficient
2,0 good	4,0 sufficient
2,3 good	5,0 fail
2,7 satisfactory	

Student Buddy Programme

The International Office assigns a student buddy to each incoming student before the start of the semester. A student buddy would, for example, contact the new student before their arrival to give them a warm welcome in Göttingen and offer support, especially in the first few weeks of settling in.

Join the programme: umfragen.pfh.de/umfragen/index.php/158712?lang=en

Accommodation

Student dormitories:

www.studentenwerk-goettingen.de/en/studentenwerk-goettingen-student-accommodation

Short-term/medium-term accommodation:

www.basecampstudent.com/student/gottingen/

Private accommodation (shared flats or individual flats)

www.immowelt.de/

www.wg-gesucht.de/en/

Health insurance

EU citizens do not need a health insurance for Germany as they are in possession of a European Health Insurance Card (EHIC). Non-EU citizens need a health insurance for Germany. For more information, see the link below:

www.expatrio.com/living-germany/cities/gottingen/pfh-private-university-applied-sciences

Visa

If you are currently living outside of the Schengen Zone or your passport is from a non-Schengen Zone country, you will need to apply for a visa. You can find a list of German embassies here:

www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en/aussenpolitik/laenderinformationen

Blocked account

A blocked account is a requirement for your visa application if you are currently living outside of the Schengen Zone or your passport is from a non-Schengen Zone country. We can recommend the services of "Fintiba" or "Expatrio" to open the blocked account, as our students have had very good experiences with them.

For further information please visit the Fintiba and Expatrio websites:

www.fintiba.com

www.expatrio.com/living-germany/cities/gottingen/pfh-private-university-applied-sciences

Useful links

www.goettingen.de/

www.goettingen-tourismus.de

www.study-in-germany.de/en/

Culture ticket: www.pfh-university.com/study-in-germany/for-students/culture-semester-ticket

Public transportation in Göttingen: www.goevb.de/

Semester ticket for Lower Saxony: www.pfh-university.com/study-in-germany/for-students/bahn-semester-ticket