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GRADUATE DEGREES IN GERMANY | OPPORTUNITIES AND FUNDING

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October 22 | 3:30 - 5:00pm (EDT)

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Welcome Remarks

Carsten Rüpke
Deputy Consul General
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Germany Alumna

Dr. Joann Halpern
Chief Innovation Officer & Head of Global Partnerships, Zamwill
Adjunct Professor of International Education, NYU

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Presentation: Graduate Studies in Germany

Elias Tur
Intern, Heidelberg University Association

Elias Vennewald
Intern, University Alliance Ruhr

Why Pursue a Degree in Germany?

World-class education

Home to many top-ranked universities with an excellent global reputation

Low or no tuition fees

Most graduate programs at German public universities are free of charge or at a very low cost

Wide range of English-taught programs

Thousands of master's programs in Germany are offered entirely in English

Vibrant international student community

The most popular non-English speaking destination for international students

Germany's Higher Education Landscape

Wide variety of institutions of Higher Education

Universities & Technical Universities

Universities of Applied Sciences

Colleges of Arts and Music

Increasing opportunities for international students

Growing number of English-taught degree programs

Strong focus on international academic exchange with partner institutions all over the world

Access to the European & Global job market

Internationally recognized degrees

Many unique career opportunities

Degree Structure in Germany

Bachelor‘s Degree
3 Years

BA (Bachelor of Arts)

BSc (Bachelor of Science)

BEng (Bachelor of Engineering)

Master’s Degree
2 Years

MA (Master of Arts)

MSc (Master of Science)

MBA (Master of Business Admin)

MEng (Master of Engineering)

Doctoral Degree

Individual Doctoral Studies

Structured PhD Programs

Cost of Studying in Germany

Tuition Fees

Public universities are usually tuition-free in Germany, with semester fees ranging from $120 to $590

Housing

Students in Germany usually spend between $340 and $560 per month on housing.

Food & Groceries

Expect to spend about $300 per month for Groceries.

Public Transportation

Reduced fares or a semester-long public transport ticket as part of the semester fees.

Germany Study Visa

You should have $14,000 approximately **deposited in a bank account** to be eligible for a student visa.*

Health Insurance & Other

Expect to pay about $180 per month for health insurance and about $230 for other expenses.

*please note that we are not authorized to give specific visa information, please check with the German Consulate website that would be responsible for your visa.

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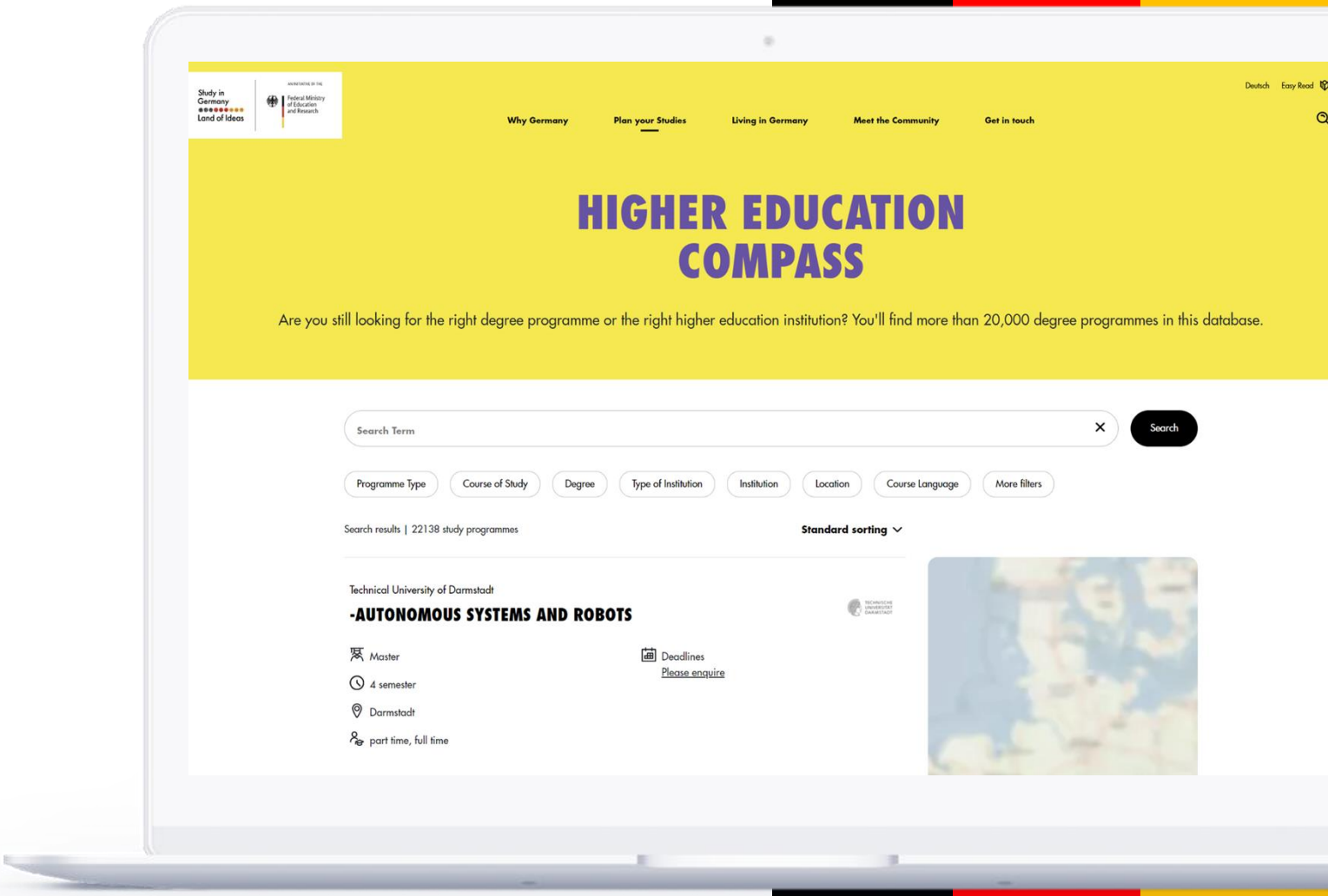
Finding the Right Program



General Requirements for a Master‘s Degree

Bachelor‘s Degree or equivalent from an accredited university in a related subject

Some programs require professional experience in addition to a Bachelor‘s degree

Professional proficiency in language of instruction

Admission criteria are set by individual universities

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Applying to a Master's Program

Depending on university and/or program, either:

Directly at the university

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Check the admission criteria + deadlines

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Apply at the university of your choice

Via uni assist

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Check the admission criteria + deadlines at university of choice

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Submit application to uni-assist

Admission Requirements for a Doctoral Program

Master’s degree in a related field

(Only a few programs offer a fast-track option for students with a Bachelor’s degree)

Professional proficiency in the language of instruction

Admission criteria are set by individual universities

Applying to a Doctoral Program

Procedures vary – check application deadlines

Competitive selection process

Applications might require a comprehensive proposal of the research project that fits the program, or examples of past research projects

(Personal) interview

Acceptance as a doctoral candidate by the department

Individual Doctorate vs. Structured PhD Program

Individual Doctorate

- Independent research carried out under the supervision of a professor
- High degree of flexibility
- Depending on the subject, research area, etc., can be done at a university, research institute, or in industry (a professor is always required)

Structured PhD Program

- Similar to programs in English-speaking countries
- Involves coursework in addition to your research

How to find a position?

1. Types of funding: position as research/teaching associate, project-based funding, scholarships

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1. Resources:

➔ find a suitable university/department/professor that matches your research interests

➔ university graduate schools

➔ no *comprehensive* database, but several useful links can be found online via Research in Germany

German University Liaison Offices in the U. S.

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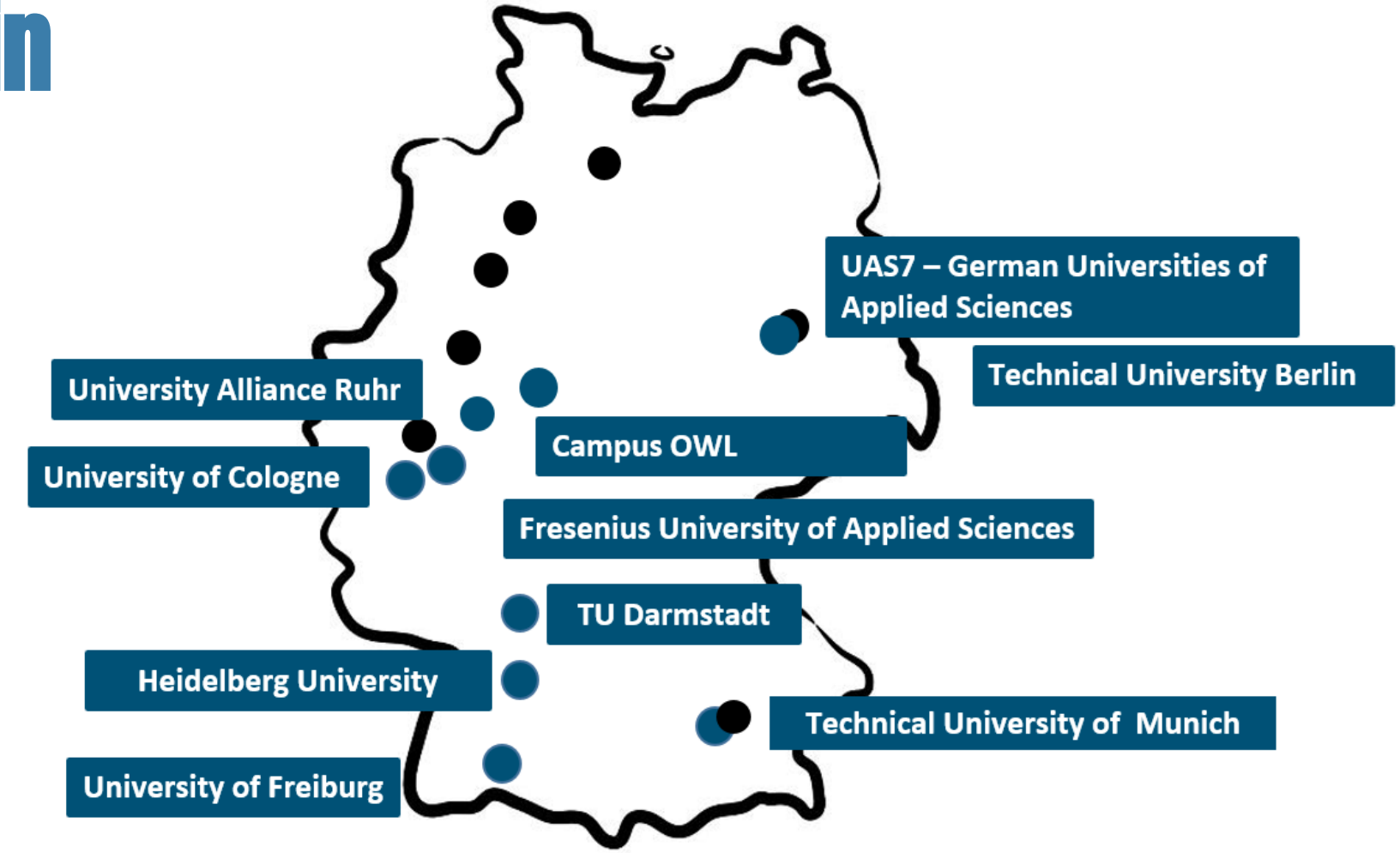

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Pitches: Major German Funding Organizations

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