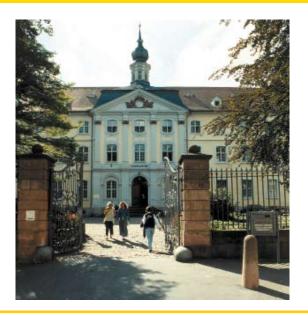
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# **General Information**

for International Student Applicants



RUPRECHT-KARLS-UNIVERSITÄT HEIDELBERG



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# The Ruprecht-Karls-Universität, Heidelberg

Heidelberg University, the oldest university in Germany, was founded in 1386 by Elector Ruprecht I of the Palatinate. By the late 16th century it had become one of the most important centres of the Reformation and of Calvinism. As a result of wars in the 17th century, the University lost its collection of manuscripts, the unique Bibliotheca Palatina, and later all of its buildings. In 1803 Karl Friedrich of Baden made fundamental changes to the university, enabling it to develop into a seat of academic excellence by the end of the 19th century. The *Ruprecht-Karls-Universität* (also known, in the Latinised form, as Ruperto Carola) owes its name to both of its founders.

Today the University has about 27,000 students, among them more than 5,000 international students, and is regarded as an important centre of modern research and study in Germany. Its 12 faculties embrace a wide spectrum of subjects in the arts and sciences, including medicine. The University does not offer any courses in engineering or agriculture.

# Studying at Heidelberg University

## Degrees

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Heidelberg University awards the following degrees (depending on the subject):

- Bachelor
- Master
- State Examination
- Doctorate
- no longer offered for first-year students: Magister Artium
- no longer offered for first-year students: Diplom

The majority of courses offered at Heidelberg University are **Bachelor** courses. The Bachelor course provides a basic factual and methodical foundation for the respective subjects and may provide practical experience as well. There are a few one-subject Bachelor courses (100%), but a Bachelor course is usually made up of a combination of two subjects (either two 50% subjects or one major and one minor subject (i.e. 75% and 25%)). The standard period of study is 6 semesters. Students studying the arts and humanities will graduate with a Bachelor of Arts degree (**B.A.**), while science students will graduate with a Bachelor of Science degree (**B.Sc.**).

**Master's programs** are advanced courses that can only be studied after the completion of a previous academic degree (e.g. a Bachelor degree). Students normally study either only one subject or a major and a minor subject. There are three kinds of Master's programmes: **consecutive, non-consecutive and Master's courses for a specific career**. Consecutive courses are the most common kind and build on the foundation of a corresponding Bachelor course. Non-consecutive courses also require proof of a previous academic degree but the content of a non-consecutive Master course does not build directly on the knowledge previously acquired. **Master courses for career training** require at least one year of job experience. More information on the Master's courses, including admission requirements (*Zulassungssatzungen*), can be found on the University's website:

http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/studium/interesse/faecher/master.html

A **State Examination** is a German degree with examination regulations stipulated by the German states, not by the university itself. A state examination is taken by students of law, medicine, dentistry and pharmacy as well as by students working towards teaching qualifications (at *Gymnasium* level). Whereas a two-subject combination is required for the latter, law, medicine, dentistry, and pharmacy are one-subject courses.

It is possible to receive a **Doctorate** in any subject offered by Heidelberg University. Students intending to pursue a doctoral degree are required to have completed a previous academic degree (normally a Master's degree, a State Examination or an equivalent academic qualification) with good or very good results in the relevant subject.

Applicants wishing to obtain a doctorate must independently find a supervisor who is willing to accept and supervise the applicant's proposed topic. Professors are not obliged to accept any candidate, even if the formal criteria are met. The second stage for applicants wishing to obtain a doctorate is to apply for admission as a doctoral candidate at the appropriate faculty (see Appendix for addresses).

Foreign degrees or other similar qualifications may be accepted as part of the admission requirements for doctoral students, but as a rule, additional requirements must also be fulfilled (e.g. assessment of the applicant's subject knowledge and/or successful completion of additional courses lasting one semester or longer). Such requirements are determined by the faculties concerned (see Appendix for addresses).

For further information regarding doctorate applications, please consult the Graduate Academy's website: *http://graduateacademy.uni-heidelberg.de/* 

A **Magister Artium** can be awarded in the arts/humanities and the social and behavioural sciences. Candidates for this degree generally take either two major subjects (50%-50%) or one major subject and two minor subjects (50%-25%-25%). A list of possible subject combinations can be found in the study guidelines and examination regulations for the Magister courses. **Please note** that *Magister* courses are no longer offered for first-year students.

A **Diplom** can be awarded in the natural sciences, economics, sociology and theology. Candidates usually study only one subject in this case.

Please note that Diplom courses are no longer offered for first-year students.

## Organisation and length of courses

The academic year is divided into two semesters, running from September - February (winter semester) and from March - August (summer semester) respectively. The lecture periods normally extend from October to February and from April to July.

There are several courses of study to which first-year students may be admitted only in the winter semester. A list of such courses with accompanying information can be found on the university's website: http://uni-heidelberg.de/studium/interesse/faecher/index.html#katalog

Students following a **Bachelor** course are required to take an orientation exam after two semesters and will normally be able to take their final exams and complete their studies after six semesters. However, the final grade depends not only on the outcome of the final examination but also on the credits obtained during the entire course of study.

After the completion of a Bachelor degree, it is possible to continue with a **Master's** course in most subjects. The latter consolidates and expands on the knowledge acquired during the Bachelor course and usually requires four semesters to complete. In special cases it may be possible to complete the course within two to three semesters. For further information on the Master's programmes offered here at Heidelberg University, including the relevant subject requirements and examination regulations (*Studien- und Prüfungsordnungen*), see: http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/studium/interesse/faecher/master.html as well as the university faculties' websites (see Appendix for addresses).

Courses of study concluding with a **State Examination** are divided into two phases - foundation studies (lasting at least four semesters, during which students are usually required to pass an orientation examination [*Orientierungsprüfung*] after two semesters of study and an intermediate examination at the end of this stage) and the main studies (minimum of four semesters after which students take their final state examinations).

The work for a **Doctorate** normally consists of a written academic thesis (*Dissertation*) and an oral examination (*Rigorosum or Disputation*). Individual doctoral training is the classical model for obtaining a doctorate. Normally, the University does not offer a structured program of courses to students pursuing individual doctoral training.

A structured doctoral program is an additional model for doctoral training. Here doctoral candidates participate in a program of courses structured by their respective faculties or graduate school/research group.

The doctoral regulations are available from the Graduate Academy's website: http://graduateacademy.uni-heidelberg.de/

or from the respective faculties (see Appendix for addresses).

Further information on the structure of the various courses of study can be found in the relevant **subject requirements and examination regulations** (*Studien- und Prüfung-sordnungen*) which are available from the faculties (see Appendix for addresses) and can also be found on the internet at: *http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/studium/download/stud\_pruef/* 

## Degree subjects offered by Heidelberg University

The faculties offer the following subjects:

## Faculty of Theology (Theologische Fakultät)

- O Christianity and Culture (Christentum und Kultur), B.A., M.A.
- O Diaconal Studies (Diakoniewissenschaft) (M.A.)
- $\, \odot \,$  Management in Welfare Organisations, M.A.
- $\odot\,$  Protestant Theology (Evangelische Theologie), Magister Theologiae, State Examination

## Faculty of Law (Juristische Fakultät)

- German Law for Foreign Law Graduates, LL.M.
- $\odot\,$  International Law (Master's Course in Santiago de Chile), LL.M. int.
- Law (Rechtswissenschaft), State Examination
- Public Law (Öffentliches Recht), B.A.
- Enterprise Restructuring (Unternehmensrestrukturierung), LL.M.

## Faculty of Medicine (Medizinische Fakultät)

- Biomedical Engineering, M.Sc.
- O Dentistry (Zahnmedizin), State Examination
- International Health, M.Sc.
- $\odot\,$  Health Economics, M.Sc.
- $\,\odot\,$  Medical Biometry / Biostatistics, M.Sc.
- $\odot\,$  Medical Education, M.Sc.
- $\odot\,$  Medical Physics with Distinction in Radiotherapy and Biomedical Optics, M.Sc.
- $\, \odot \,$  Medicine / Heidelberg (Medizin), State Examination
- O Medicine / Mannheim (Medizin), State Examination
- Medical Informatics in collaboration with Fachhochschule Heilbronn (Medizinische Informatik), B.Sc., M.Sc.
- Translational Medical Research, M.Sc.

## Faculty of Philosophy (Philosophische Fakultät)

- American Studies, M.A.
- Archaeology and Art History Byzantine (Byzantinische Archäologie und Kunstgeschichte), B.A., M.A.
- O Archaeology Classical (Klassische Archäologie), B.A., M.A.
- O Archaeology Interdisciplinary classical (Interdisziplinär klassische Archäologie), B.A., M.A.
- Archaeology Middle Eastern (Vorderasiatische Archäologie), B.A., M.A.,
- Assyrian Studies (Assyriologie), B.A., M.A.
- O Classical Philology/Greek (Gräzistik), B.A., M.A.
- O Classical Philology/Latin (Latinistik), B.A., M.A.
- Chinese Studies (Sinologie), B.A., M.A.
- O Comparative Religious Studies (Religionswissenschaft), B.A. M.A.
- O East Asian Studies (Ostasienwissenschaften), B.A.
- Egyptology (Ägyptologie), B.A., M.A.
- Global History, M.A.

O Greek (Griechisch), State Examination O History (Geschichte), B.A., M.A., State Examination ○ History - Ancient (Alte Geschichte), B.A.,M.A. ○ History - Medieval and Modern (Mittlere und neuere Geschichte), B.A. O History - South Asian (Geschichte Südasiens), B.A. O Historical Studies (Geschichtswissenschaften), German-French Master course ○ History of Art - European (Europäische Kunstgeschichte), B.A., M.A. O History of Art - East Asian (Ostasiatische Kunstgeschichte), B.A., M.A. History of Art and Museum Studies (Kunstgeschichte und Museologie), int. M.A. ○ Indian Studies (classical) (Klassische Indologie). B.A., M.A. O Indian Studies (modern) (Moderne Indologie) B.A., M.A. ○ Islamic Studies (Islamwissenschaft), B.A. O Japanese Studies (Japanologie), B.A., M.A. ○ Latin (Latein). State examination Medieval Studies (Mittelalterstudien), M.A. O Musicology (Musikwissenschaft), B.A., M.A. O Near and Middle Eastern Studies (Nah- und Mitteloststudien), M.A O Philosophy (Philosophie) B.A., M.A., State Examination Prehistory and Early History (Ur- und Fr
ühgeschichte), B.A., M.A. ○ Semitic Studies (Semitistik), B.A., M.A. ○ South Asian Studies (Südasienwissenschaften), B.A.

## Faculty of Modern Languages (Neuphilologische Fakultät)

- O Computer Linguistics (Computerlinguistik), B.A., M.A.
- Conference Interpretation (*Konferenzdolmetschen*), M.A.
- O Editing and Textual Criticismque (Editionswissenschaft und Textkritik), M.A.
- English (Englisch), State Examination
- English Language, Literature and Culture (*Englische Sprach-, Literatur und Kulturwissenschaft*), B.A.
- English Studies, M.A.
- French (Französisch), State Examination
- French Studies (Französistik), B.A.
- German (Deutsch), State Examination
- German as a Foreign Language (Deutsch als Fremdsprachenphilologie / Germanistik im Kultur vergleich) B.A., M.A.
- O German Philology (Deutsche Philologie/Germanistik), B.A., M.A.
- Italian (Italienisch), State Examination
- O Italian Studies (Italienistik), B.A.
- Portuguese Studies (Lusitanisik), B.A.
- Romance Languages Studies (Romanische Philologie), B.A.
- O Russian (Russisch), State Examination
- O Slavic Philology (Slavische Philologie), B.A., M.A.
- O Spanish (Spanisch), State Examinations
- Spanish Studies (Hispanistik), B.A.
- Translation Studies (Übersetzungswissenschaft), B.A., M.A.
- O Translation Studies for Information Technologies, B.A. (only in the combination English-German)

#### Faculty of Economics and Social Studies (Fakultät für Wirtschafts- und Sozialwissenschaften)

- O Economics (Politische Ökonomik), B.A., M.A.
- Non-profit Management and Governance, M.A.
- O Political Science (Politische Wissenschaft), B.A., State Examination
- Sociology (Soziologie), B.A., M.A.

Faculty of Behavioural and Cultural Studies (Fakultät für Verhaltens- und Empirische Kulturwissenschaften)

- Career and Organisational Consultation Studies (Berufs- und organisationsbezogende Beratungswissenschaft), M.A.
- Education Studies (Bildungswissenschaft), B.A.
- O Ethnology (Ethnologie), B.A., M.A.
- Gerontology (Gerontologie), M.Sc.
- $\,\odot\,$  Health and Society in South Asia, M.A.
- O Health Science / Gerontology Nursing (Pflegewissenschaft), State Examination
- Psychology (*Psychologie*), B.Sc., M.Sc.
- Sport (Sport), State Examination
- Sport Science (Sportwissenschaft), B.Sc.

## Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science (Fakultät für Mathematik und Informatik)

- O Applied Computer Science (Anwendungsorientierte Informatik), B.Sc., M.Sc.
- O Computer Science (Informatik), State Examination
- O Mathematics (Mathematik), B.Sc., M.Sc., State Examination
- Scientific Computing, M.Sc.

## Faculty of Chemistry and Earth Sciences (Fakultät für Chemie und Geowissenschaften)

- O Chemistry (Chemie), B.Sc., M.Sc., State Examination
- $^{\bigcirc}$  Geography (Geographie), B.Sc., State Examination
- Earth Sciences (Geowissenschaften) (B.Sc., M.Sc.)

## Faculty of Physics and Astronomy (Fakultät für Physik und Astronomie)

- O Astronomy (Astronomie) (Doctoral Studies)
- O Physics (Physik), B.Sc., M.Sc., State Examination

## Faculty of Bio Sciences (Fakultät für Biowissenschaften)

- Biology (Biologie), State Examination
- Biosciences (Biowissenschaften), B.Sc.
- Molecular Biosciences M.Sc.
- Molecular Biotechnology (Molekulare Biotechnologie), B.Sc., M.Sc.
- Pharmacy (*Pharmazie*), State Examination

## Hochschule für Jüdische Studien

- Jewish Religious Education (Jüdische Religionslehre), State Examination
- Jewish Studies (*Jüdische Studien* ), B.Sc., M.Sc.

An overview of the subjects offered by Heidelberg University can be found in the **course** catalogue at:

http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/studium/interesse/faecher/index.html#katalog Detailed information about each individual subject and the application process at Heidelberg University can be found on the internet at: http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/studium/interesse/

An overview of the classes offered in each subject is given in the **University handbook** (*Vorlesungsverzeichnis*) at:

http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/studium/imstudium/vorlesungen/

The University handbook is also available at several bookshops in Heidelberg. It is published each semester approximately six weeks before classes begin.

In addition, many departments publish their own handbook, a *Kommentiertes Vorlesungsverzeichnis* with a detailed description of all lectures and seminars offered by that department. These department handbooks are available at the departments or on the internet at: http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/sitemap/indexinstitute.html

The **Personalverzeichnis**, which is available on the internet at: *http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/univ/personal/* 

provides general information about the University, the addresses of the various institutes and the names and subject areas of members of staff.

# Visiting students (Kurzzeitstudierende)

International students who would like to study at Heidelberg University but do not wish to obtain a degree here (e.g. students participating in an exchange programme) can enrol for a limited period *(Kurzzeitstudium)*, usually no longer than two semesters. A *Kurzzeitstudium* is not possible in Master's courses and in the subjects medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, law, biology and psychology.

The admission requirements are:

- the completion of at least one year of coursework in the subject in question at the student's home university
- very good knowledge of German. Students coming to Heidelberg University for a limited period outside the framework of an exchange programme must pass the German Language Examination for University Entrance (DSH) before enrolling, unless they already possess qualifications of an equal standard.

# Requirements

# **Proficiency in German**

The language of instruction in most study courses at Heidelberg University is German. Accordingly, if students are to be successful in their coursework, they must be proficient in German when they begin their studies here. The proficiency examination in German *(Deutsche Sprachprüfung für den Hochschulzugang [DSH])* is an entrance requirement for most international students. We strongly recommend students to start taking German lessons in their home country before taking the DSH. Applicants for the DSH examination are required to have completed at least 1,000 - 1,200 hours of German language instruction at a recognised institution (e.g. the Goethe Institute) and to achieve a minimum score of DSH-2 for admission to Heidelberg University.

The DSH examination is usually taken at the end of September and the end of March and consists of two parts - a written and an oral test. The participation fee is  $\in$ 50 (fifty euros). This fee must be paid in cash on the day of the exam. Further information about the exam is available from the *Akademisches Auslandsamt* or on the internet at: *http://www.isz.uni-hd.de/D\_Pruef\_DSH.html* The *DSH* can only be taken by students who have been accepted for admission to Heidelberg University (students must be in possession of a letter of acceptance)!

Students can be exempted from the DSH if one of the following certificates considered equivalent to the DSH is submitted with the application for admission:

- the "Deutsche Sprachdiplom der Kultusministerkonferenz Zweite Stufe –" (Ruling of the KMK from 16.3.1972)
- the "Prüfung zum Nachweis deutscher Sprachkenntnisse (PNdS)" or the "Deutsche Sprachprüfung für den Hochschulzugang (DSH)"
- the "Große / Kleine Deutsche Sprachdiplom " from the Goethe-Institut
- the "Zentrale Oberstufenprüfung (ZOP)" from the Goethe-Institut
- the "Test Deutsch als Fremdsprache (TestDaF)" with a score of at least 4 points (TDN 4) in each part of the test
- the "Prüfung zur Feststellung der Eignung ausländischer Studienbewerber für die Aufnahme eines Studiums an Hochschulen der Bundesrepublik Deutschland (Feststellungsprüfung)" – an examination to determine the qualifications of foreign applicants to study at a German university
- other certificates, subject to bilateral agreements between the countries

**Please note:** For some subjects (currently *German Studies, German as a Foreign Language* and *Law: LL.M.*), special German language skills are required. Details can be found in the *admission requirements (Zulassungsordnungen)*.

Heidelberg University offers German language courses preparing students for the proficiency exam in German (DSH). Further information on these courses can be found on page 11

## **Recognition of school-leaving certificates**

For admission to the university, all applicants are required to have obtained a **higher educa-tion entrance qualification** (e.g. Baccalauréat, GCE - A & O Levels, School-Leaving Certificate, university entrance examination etc.). If the qualification enabling the candidate to embark on a course of higher education in their home country is found to be equivalent to the German higher education entrance qualification ("*Abitur*"), the international applicant can be directly admitted to the University.

International candidates whose higher education entrance qualification is not fully equivalent to the German *Abitur* can also be admitted to the University but will be required to pass an assessment test (*Prüfung zur Feststellung der Eignung ausländischer Studienbewerber/innen für die Aufnahme eines Studiums an Hochschulen in der Bundesrepublik Deutschland* or *Feststellungsprüfung*).

The Heidelberg University's *Studienkolleg* provides international applicants with a one-year (twosemester) preparation course for this assessment test (*Feststellungsprüfung*). Further information on these courses can be found on page 12.

For more detailed information on recognition of school-leaving certificates see: **www.anabin.de** or http://www.daad.de/deutschland/wege-durchs-studium/zulassung

## Residence permit (visa)

All international students are required to have a residence permit in order to study in Germany. It is not possible to register at the University without a valid residence permit for study purposes. Visas for travel purposes, business purposes, etc. are not valid!

Students from **EU countries**, EFTA member countries (Iceland, Norway, Switzerland, Liechtenstein), Australia, Israel, Japan, Canada, New Zealand, the United States, Monaco, San Marino and Honduras do not require a visa prior to their arrival in Germany and may apply for their residence permits (*Aufenthaltsbewilligung*) after entering the country. In this case, the application for a residence permit has to be made with the local foreigners' residence office (*Ausländerbehörde*).

Students from **all other countries** must obtain a visa **before departing** for Germany. The request for a visa can be made at the German embassy or consulate in their home country. Before issuing an entry visa, German consulates/embassies will require the applicant to submit the letter of admission (*Zulassungsbescheid*) or other official certification of application for admission to Heidelberg University as well as proof of the applicant's ability to defray the costs of living and studying in Germany.

A list of all German consulates/embassies and more detailed information on visa requirements can be found at: *http://www.auswaertiges-amt.de* 

# Preparing to Study at Heidelberg University

## Language preparation

The following German courses are offered by the university to help applicants improve the standard of their German.

## Kolleg für deutsche Sprache und Kultur

The *Kolleg für deutsche Sprache und Kultur* at the University's International Study Centre offers German language courses at various levels (basic, intermediate and advanced). The courses are designed to prepare students for the German proficiency examination *(DSH)* and the entrance exam for the *Studienkolleg*. Participation in the German courses is limited to one year (two semesters). Only applicants who have obtained a higher education entrance qualification in their home countries are permitted to take part in these courses.

1. The International Office (*Akademisches Auslandsamt*) offers a limited number of places in German language courses with a minimum of 20 hours of instruction per week. One condition for acceptance to these courses is the admission (*Zulassung*) to a course of study at Heidelberg University. Due to limited facilities, it is unfortunately not possible to guarantee a place in the language courses for all students who have requested it on their application form for admission to a study course. Only a small number of students can be admitted by the *Akademisches Auslandsamt* to the language courses each term. Therefore we strongly recommend all applicants to learn German in their country of residence. The fees for the German courses provided by the International Office are €350 per semester.

2. Alternatively, the International Study Centre offers prospective students the opportunity to participate in a one-year German course before applying to a German university. The costs for these German courses total about €350 per month, including course fees and accommodation in a student hall of residence.

More detailed information about the acceptance requirements and fees can be obtained from:

Internationales Studienzentrum der Universität Heidelberg (ISZ) Kolleg für deutsche Sprache und Kultur Ziegelhäuser Landstraße 14, 69120 Heidelberg *http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/zentral/isz* 

#### Please note:

It is **not** possible to apply to the *Akademisches Auslandsamt* for admission to the University (see 1) **and** to the *International Study Centre* for a place in a German language course (see 2) at the same time.

## The International Summer School (Internationaler Ferienkurs)

For those interested only in learning German, the Heidelberg University's International Summer

School offers four-week German courses at elementary, intermediate and advanced levels as well as special courses designed for foreign German teachers and courses providing training in business German.

Additionally, a varied cultural programme is laid on for participants in these courses.

Further information about fees and acceptance requirements can be obtained from the *Akademisches Auslandsamt*. Email: *ferienkurs@zuv.uni-heidelberg.de http://www.zuv.uni-heidelberg.de/aaa/ifk/index.htm* 

## Subject preparation

To prepare you for your course of study, the University's International Study Centre offers the following:

## Preparation courses for the Feststellungsprüfung at the Studienkolleg

The *Studienkolleg* provides international applicants whose higher education entrance qualification is not fully equivalent to the German *Abitur* (see p. 10) with a one-year preparation course for the assessment test (*Feststellungsprüfung*).

In the state of Baden-Württemberg, to which Heidelberg belongs, prospective students cannot apply for admission directly to the *Studienkolleg*. Instead they need to apply at the university where they wish to pursue the subsequent degree course. This means that applications from international students must explicitly state that they wish both to be admitted to the *Studienkolleg* and to pursue a standard university degree course (see application form). In the case of admission, the university concerned automatically assigns the student to the *Studienkolleg*.

If you would like to apply to Heidelberg University, the application form for a written application and further information on the application procedure are available from the *Akademisches Auslandsamt* on request (by post or by e-mail: studium@uni-heidelberg.de) or can be downloaded from the internet:

#### http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/studium/download/

Alternatively, international student applicants can apply to Heidelberg University online: http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/studium/interesse/int\_bewerbung/verfahren/online\_bew\_int.html Please note: Either the written application form or the print-out of the on-line application as well as all application documents required for application must be submitted to the Akademisches Auslandsamt der Universität Heidelberg by post.

Decisions regarding the allocation of places in the *Studienkolleg* and at the university are made in the course of the customary admission procedure.

Students who have been admitted to the *Studienkolleg* have to pass an entrance test before attending classes. A sample of this test can be found at *http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/zentral/isz/D Pruef ET.html*  The assessment test (Feststellungsprüfung) is usually taken after one year at the Studienkolleg. Should a student fail the test, study at the Studienkolleg can be extended for one further semester. The assessment test may only be repeated once and the second test must be taken at the same Studienkolleg.

In exceptional cases, applicants may be admitted to an external assessment test (externe Feststellungsprüfung) without attending the Studienkolleg. In order to be admitted to the externe Feststellungsprüfung, applicants must be highly proficient in German and indicate that they are fully familiar with the examination requirements of the Studienkolleg. Additionally, they need to apply at least one month before the official application period ends (i.e. December 15th for winter term or June 15th for summer term) and submit a written essay explaining the reasons for their application for an externe Feststellungsprüfung. For further information see

http://www.studienkollegs.de http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/zentral/isz/ http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/zentral/isz/D\_Pruef\_FSP.html

Voluntary participation in this exam is not permitted.

Please note: voluntary participation at the Studienkolleg ist not permitted. Students whose higher education entrance gualification is equivalent to the German Abitur and hence do not have to take the assessment test (Feststellungsprüfung) are not permitted to attend the Studienkolleg. For those students who would like to prepare voluntarily for their course of study, Heidelberg University offers preliminary introductory courses (see below).

## Preliminary introductory courses (Propädeutische Vorkurse)

Prospective international students whose higher education entrance gualification is found to be equivalent to the German Abitur (see p. 10) and who would like to improve their subject knowledge and specific language skills in the subject they are interested in studying at Heidelberg University, can apply for the relevant introductory courses at the Internationales Studienzentrum (limited to certain subjects). These courses are offered either for one month or for one semester. More information on these courses can be found online at: http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/zentral/isz/d propaedeutikum.html

http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/zentral/isz/E Courses.html#inductioncourses

# **Application for Admission**

## General information about the application procedure

To be admitted to Heidelberg University, prospective international students must apply for a course of study of their choice.

## Application forms

The application form for international student applicants ("Application for Admission to Studies for Foreign Applicants") is available from the Akademisches Auslandsamt on request (per post or per e-mail: studium@uni-heidelberg.de) or can be downloaded from the internet: http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/studium/download/

Alternatively, international applicants can also apply online for most study courses: http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/studium/interesse/int bewerbung/verfahren/online bew int.html **Please note:** Either the written application form or the print-out of the on-line application as well as all application documents required for application must be submitted to the Akademisches Auslandsamt der Universität Heidelberg by post.

For courses with admission restrictions and/or courses subject to assessment procedures, there are special forms and application procedures for applicants from countries in the European Union or the European Economic Area (Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway) and for foreign residents/stateless people with a German Abitur. For detailed information see: http://www.uni-heidelbera.de/studium/interesse/int bewerbuna/index.html#eu

There are also special application forms and procedures for most of the Master's courses. For detailed information see: http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/studium/interesse/bewerbung/bew info.html

Every semester, the Akademisches Auslandsamt publishes the booklet "Aktuelle Informationen für ausländische Studienbewerberinnen und Studienbewerber". This booklet contains all the current information concerning the application forms, legal regulations, timeframes and courses offered at Heidelberg University for the following semester. In addition, it assists applicants in filling out the application form and in identifying all other documents that must accompany the application. The booklet and the necessary forms are available on request (per post or per e-mail: studium@ uni-heidelberg.de) at the beginning of the relevant application period (end November for admission in the following summer semester and end May for admission in the winter semester). It can also be downloaded from the following website:

July 15<sup>th</sup>

January 15<sup>th</sup>

http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/studium/download/

## General application deadlines

Winter semester Summer semester

The course catalogue (see: http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/studium/interesse/faecher/index. html#katalog) provides information about specific courses that have **different application deadlines** and about the academic year (*Studienjahr*) – i.e. courses that only admit students in the winter semester as opposed to courses to which students can be admitted both in the summer and winter semesters.

Especially for most of the **Master's courses** there are special application deadlines. Information can be found online: *http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/studium/interesse/bewerbung/bew\_info.html* 

The application deadlines must be strictly adhered to. Applications received by the *Akademisches Auslandsamt* after the closing date will not be considered.

#### **Application procedure**

The application procedure depends (a) on whether the course selected is subject to admission restrictions or assessment processes, (b) on the applicant's nationality and (c) on his/her school-leaving certificate.

Admission restrictions (*numerus clausus*) are introduced if the number of applications to a degree course exceeds the number of places available in that course. In such cases, only the best qualified applicants will be admitted to the University.

There are two types of admission restrictions: admission to a particular degree course may either have a national restriction applying to all German universities (dentistry, medicine and pharmacy) or a restriction specific to Heidelberg University. The procedure for the selection of applicants is determined by the type of admission restriction in the relevant subject as well as the applicant's nationality and school-leaving certificate.

In legal terms, citizens of the member states of either the European Union or the European Economic Area (i.e. Switzerland, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway) and foreign residents/stateless people with a German *Abitur* have the same status as German citizens with regard to admission to **degree courses with admission restrictions** (*numerus clausus*). This group of applicants competes for the majority of available places.

All other applicants compete for the remaining university places (8% in the case of national admissions restrictions and 8-10% in the case of admission restrictions for a specific university). An admissions board awards these places to the best qualified applicants.

For some degree courses applicant suitability is determined by means of an **assessment process** (*Eignungsfeststellungsverfahren*) based on criteria such as the average mark on a higher education entrance certificate, grades obtained in relevant school subjects, vocational training, additional qualifications and aptitude tests/interviews with the applicant. Aptitude tests and interviews take place before registration, usually after the publication of the results of the German language exam for university admission (roughly two weeks before the beginning of term). Applicants who fail the assessment process for a particular course must wait until the following semester or year before

they can apply again. Students can apply only twice. The course catalogue contains information on the courses of study that are subject to an assessment process or admission restrictions. The catalogue can be found online at: http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/studium/interesse/faecher/index.html#katalog

In all cases (including courses of study without admission restrictions or an assessment process), the admissions office will verify that all formal and substantial conditions for acceptance to Heidelberg University have been fulfilled. Some of the points the office checks up on are:

- Is the applicant's documentation complete and formally correct (in particular, have any copies required been officially certified?)
- Has the applicant chosen a valid course at Heidelberg University?
- Is the German language proficiency indicated by the formal documentation likely to be sufficient to pass the DSH?
- Does the applicant have financial support for the period of study?
- Does the applicant have sufficient prior education to be admitted to the chosen course at the University (entitlement to university admission)? In assessing proof of prior education abroad, the University is guided by the proposals of the Central Office for International Education Affairs affiliated to the Standing Conference of State Education Ministers in Bonn (*Zentralstelle für ausländisches Bildungswesen bei der ständigen Konferenz der Kultusminister der Länder*). For information on your country, go to the Office website: *www.anabin.de*

## Notification of admission or rejection (Zulassungs- bzw. Ablehnungsbescheid)

Four to eight weeks after the application deadline, all candidates will receive one of the following letters informing them of the outcome of their application:

#### Letter of admission

All students will be notified by letter on the outcome of the admission procedure **four to six weeks after the final application deadline**. The letters of admission contain all necessary information regarding study formalities, registration deadlines and necessary examinations, as well as a declaration of acceptance on the part of the applicant, which must be returned **immediately**.

In the case of admission to a degree course at the University, the dates for the DSH exam are included in the registration information. The exam consists of a written and an oral test taken before beginning a university degree (see also page 9, "Proficiency in German").

Applicants required to register with the *Studienkolleg* and for whom a place on a subsequent course of study has been reserved will receive the dates of the *Studienkolleg* entrance exam with their registration information. The exam is a written German language exam (see also page 12, "Preparation courses for the *Feststellungsprüfung* at the Studienkolleg").

#### Letter of rejection

Letters of rejection stating the reasons for non-acceptance are sent out within 8 weeks after the application deadline.

## Application documents required

## **General application documents**

The following documents must accompany every application for admission to the University of Heidelberg:

- An officially certified photocopy or replication of the certificate or diploma entitling the student to embark on a university course in his/her home country (e.g. Abitur, Baccalaureate, GCE - A & O Level, school-leaving certificate, university admission exam etc.) including a list of grades. Except in the case of certificates in French or English, an officially certified German translation of the certificate or diploma is also required.
- 2. Officially certified photocopies or replications of all university certificates (from colleges, academies etc.) that the student has already obtained, plus lists of grades per semester or year of study. Except for those in English or French, a certified translation into German of all documents is also required. Proof must also be submitted, in the form of (im)matriculation/ enrolment certificates (originals or certified copies), of any semesters of study at German universities (already completed or still under way).
- An officially certified photocopy or replication of the successfully completed Assessment Test (*Feststellungsprüfung*), if such an exam has already been taken at a *Studienkolleg* in Germany. This must be accompanied by a record of the individual grades.
- 4. Officially certified photocopies of successfully completed university admissions exams taken abroad plus grades and, where applicable, proof of (im)matriculation/enrolment. An official translation of these records is also required unless the originals are in English or French.
- Proof of professional training, internships, additional qualifications specifically relevant to the subject, extramural qualifications (officially certified copies and officially certified translations). This is very important for applications for courses with admission restrictions (*numerus clausus*) or subject to the assessment process (*Eignungsfeststellungsverfahren*).
- 6. **Proof** of **German language proficiency** (one requirement for taking the German language examination *Deutsche Sprachprüfung für den Hochschulzugang* (DSH) at Heidelberg University is written proof of at least 1,000 1,200 hours of prior German language instruction at a recognised institution).
- 7. Should the applicant wish to change his/her course of study, a detailed account of the reasons is required.

- 8. Passport photo (no larger than 4 x 5 cm)
- 9. 3 international reply coupons (Coupon-Réponse International)
- 10. Proof of the student's ability to finance his/her course of study
- 11. Copy of passport (the page with photo and personal information)

## Special application documents

Depending on the course of study, the application procedure and the applicant's nationality, further documents may be necessary in addition to those listed above. Some of these special application documents are listed below. Current information on all special application documents required for application can be found in the booklet "Aktuelle Informationen für ausländische Studienbew-erberinnen und Studienbewerber". The booklet is available on request (per post or per e-mail: studium@uni-heidelberg.de) at the beginning of the relevant application period (end November for admission in the following summer semester and end May for admission in the winter semester). It can also be downloaded from the following website: http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/studium/download/

- 1. Applicants for a **short-term course of study** (see p. 8) must, in addition to the general application documentation, provide a written account of the reasons for the intended period of study.
- 2. Applicants for the course Sport Science as either a major or minor subject must undergo an aptitude test and include the certificate for this aptitude test in the application for acceptance. The aptitude test takes place at the end of May/ beginning of June. Registration for the aptitude test is required by May 15<sup>th</sup> at the Institute of Sport and Sport Science. Information and application forms can be found at: <a href="http://www.issw.uni-heidelberg.de">http://www.issw.uni-heidelberg.de</a>
- Applicants who have already been enrolled at a German University and who want to continue their degree course at Heidelberg University (*Hochschulwechsel*) must submit a written statement by the respective examinations office declaring that they have not lost their examination entitlement for the course in question.
- 4. Applicants without citizenship of a member state of the European Union or the European Economic Area and with foreign higher education entrance qualifications who apply for the degree courses in **medicine**, **dentistry or pharmacy** must include with their application a certificate of assessment of their educational background (*Vorprüfungsdokumentation*) by uni-assist. Further Information can be found at: *www.uni-assist.de*
- 5. All applicants from the **Republic of China**, from **Mongolia** and from **Vietnam** must include with their application an original certificate from the respective academic examinations office (APS). There are APS offices at the education departments of the German embassies in Beijing, in

Ulan Bator und in Hanoi that can carry out an initial examination of academic certificates. Applicants who have been through the APS procedure will receive a certificate to that effect. This certificate eases the process of applying to the German embassy for a visa for the purposes of studying in Germany and also shortens the time required for issuing a visa.

a) More information on this procedure and application forms for applicants from the **Republic of** China are available at the APS Office, the German embassy, the *Goethe Institut* or on the internet at *http://www.aps.org.cn/index.html* On this website you will also find a list of the documents required for application.

The address of the APS Office is: Akademische Prüfstelle / Academic Evaluation Center (APS) German Embassy Landmark Tower 2, Room 0311 8 North Dongsanhuan Road Chaoyang District 100004 Beijing Republic of China

Office hours: Monday to Friday 8 a.m. to 12 noon. Telephone: 0086 - 10 - 6590 7138, Fax: 0086 - 10 - 6590 7140 E-Mail:*info@aps.org.cn* 

b) More information on this procedure and application forms for applicants from **Mongolia** are available at the German Embassy in Ulan Bator or on the internet at *http://www.ulan-bator. diplo.de/Vertretung/ulanbator/de/06/Kultur.html* 

The address of the APS Office is:

Akademische Prüfstelle / Academic Evaluation Center (APS) German Embassy Ulan Bator Strasse der Vereinten Nationen P.O. Box: 708 210613 Ulan Bator Mongolia

Office hours: Mondays and Wednesdays 1p.m. to 2 p.m. Telephone: 99225839, Fax: 00976-11-323905 E-Mail: *aps-ulan@mongol.net* 

c) More information on this procedure and application forms for applicants from Vietnam are available at the German Embassy in Hanoi or on the internet at : http://www.hanoi.diplo.de/Vertretung/hanoi/de/06/APS\_Hanoi.html

<u>The address of the APS Office is:</u> Akademische Prüfstelle / Academic Evaluation Center (APS) German Embassy Hanoi 29 Tran Phu Q. Ba Dinh Hanoi

Office hours: Mondays and Wednesdays 2 p.m. – 3.30 p.m. Telephone: 04-845 38 36/7 or 04-843 02 45/6 Fax: 04- 843 99 69 E-Mail:*ku-101@hano.auswaertiges-amt.de* 

### **Certified copies**

In Germany, certified copies can be made by all public offices with an official stamp authorising them to do so (also by a notary). Requirements for complete certification are the official certifying stamp, a written entry and a signature. Each individual page of a copy must carry a signature. If the name of the certificate holder does not appear in the text on any page of the copy, the written entry for this page must indicate both the holder and the type of document to ensure that every page belongs to the same document.

Collective certification of several pages of a document is acceptable if the pages are fastened together with string and carry an official stamp. Stapled collective certifications are also acceptable if the page corners are folded and stamped so that each page carries part of the stamp imprint.

Please be careful to check that the certification accords with the requirements listed above. Pay particular attention to the stamp. Only official stamps are acceptable. These normally include an emblem.

If the certification does not accord with the requirements listed above, the copy will not be recognised. This also applies in cases where the certifying authority itself is responsible for incomplete certification..

**Please note:** Certified copies issued by church authorities, health insurance companies or the ASTA of a university are not officially recognised. Exception: institutions authorised with an official certifying stamp, e.g. the University's Protestant Student Community (ESG).

## Recognition of subjects studied abroad

It is possible for coursework done at a foreign university to be credited towards a degree at Heidelberg University. In this case, students must apply to the board of examiners (*Prüfungsamt*) of the faculty concerned (see Appendix for addresses). The application must contain a detailed description of the courses taken and must include any relevant certificates or documents (in German or English, translated if necessary) pertaining to the degree or the coursework.

Students wishing to study **medicine** should send their applications for recognition to the following address:

Bezirksregierung Düsseldorf Landesprüfungsamt für Medizin, Psychotherapie und Pharmazie Postfach 300865 D - 40408 Düsseldorf Tel: +49-(0)211-475-5167/-5169 Internet: www.lpa-duesseldorf.nrw.de **Exception:** Applicants born in the Federal Republic of Germany should send their requests to the Examination Office (Landesprüfungsamt) of the federal state in which they were born. (A list of the State Examination Offices can be found at: *http://www.impp.de/index.php?id=10*)

Students wishing to study **pharmacy** should send their applications for recognition to the following address:

Hessisches Landesprüfungsamt für Heilberufe Walter-Möller-Platz 1 D- 60439 Frankfurt am Main Tel: +49- (0)69-15677-12 Fax: +49- (0)69-15760-716

**Exception:** Applicants born in the Federal Republic of Germany should send their requests to the Examination Office (Landesprüfungsamt) of the federal state in which they were born. (A list of the State Examination Offices can be found at: *http://www.impp.de/index.php?id=10*)

For dentistry, applications for recognition should be sent to:

Thüringer Landesverwaltungsamt Referat 720 Landesprüfungsamt für akademische Heilberufe Weimarplatz 4 D-99423 Weimar Tel: +49-(0)3643-585 or +49-(0)3643-585-7309

**Exception:** Applicants resident mainly in Baden-Württemberg or any other federal state of the Federal Republic of Germany should contact the State Examination Office (Landesprüfungsamt) of the federal state where they are studying or living.

(A list of the State Examination Offices can be found at: http://www.impp.de/index.php?id=10)

**Please note:** Students from other universities wishing to continue their course of study at Heidelberg University on the basis of credited coursework are required to apply for admission.

Current information on the application procedures can be found in the booklet **"Aktuelle Informationen für ausländische Studienbewerberinnen und Studienbewerber**". The booklet is available on request (per post or per e-mail: studium@uni-heidelberg.de)

at the beginning of the relevant application period or can be downloaded from the following website: http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/studium/download/

# **Social Issues and Accommodation**

# **Orientation Days**

The *Akademisches Auslandsamt* organises Orientation Days for all incoming international students twice a year - at the beginning of April and October, in the week before classes begin each semester. The events taking place during this week give first-year students an opportunity to familiarise themselves with the structure of studies, with the University (the various academic faculties and institutes, facilities such as the library and computer centre, and many aspects of student life) and the city and to get to know other international and German students. We strongly recommend all new international students to participate in these Orientation Days. The programme is available on the internet at the beginning of the semester:

http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/studium/kontakt/auslandsamt/aaa\_angebote.html

# **Financing your studies**

Students will require at least  $\in$ 650 per month for general living expenses. They should bear in mind that they will not be able to support themselves completely by working in Heidelberg while attending classes at the University.

Some of the recurring expenses that students should expect are the following:

## Studentenwerksbeitrag

Every student is required to pay €66.50 per semester to the *Studentenwerk*, which runs the cafeterias, residence halls and other social facilities. (The *Studentenwerksbeitrag* is due at the time of registration and when renewing registration for every following term).

## Administration fee

The administration fee at Heidelberg University is  $\in$ 40 per semester (due at the time of registration and when renewing registration for every following term).

## **Tuition fees**

In the state of Baden-Württemberg, students are required to pay a tuition fee of €500 per semester for Bachelor, consecutive Master, *Staatsexamen, Diplom* and *Magister* courses (due at the time of registration and when renewing registration for every following term). For non-consecutive Master's courses and Master's programmes for specific careers there may be special tuition fees. Doctoral students are exempted from the payment of tuition fees.

Further information on regulations and exemptions can be found on the internet at: http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/studium/interesse/gebuehren/index.html

## Insurance

All students are legally required to have **medical insurance** (*Krankenversicherung*) until they have completed their 14th semester or reached their 30th birthday, whichever comes first. Medical insurance premiums are currently approx. €400 per semester (six months). EU citizens can be exempted from this obligatory medical insurance if by means of an EHIC (European Health Insurance Card) or a certificate E 128, E 106, E 109 or E 111 they can prove that they are covered by medical insurance in their home country.

Students who have reached 30 years of age or have completed their 14th semester in their major course are no longer required to be covered by a statutory insurance provider. Students who have been covered by such a provider in the past may apply to their provider for continuation of coverage. However, if a 30-year-old student has received no coverage from a statutory provider, he or she must look for a private insurance provider.

Secondly, we strongly recommend all international students to take out a *private Haftpflichtver-sicherung*. This insurance provides liability cover in cases of injury to other persons (e.g. in a biking accident) or damage to their property.

#### Accommodation

Students admitted to the university do not automatically receive a room in a student residence and must therefore make their own living arrangements. At present, the monthly rent for a room or small flat is approximately €200-€400.

#### Public transport

Your student identification card allows you to use public transportation in the Heidelberg area free of charge every day after 7:00 p.m.

The *Semesterticket*, which can be purchased each semester by registered students of Heidelberg University, includes use of almost all forms of public transportation in the Heidelberg area and within several regional transportation networks at any time of the day or night. Further information on the *Semesterticket* is available on the internet at:

http://www.studentenwerk.uni-heidelberg.de/zv\_portal/zv

## **Grants/Scholarships**

Heidelberg University does not award any grants or scholarships.

There are a few scholarships available in Germany through the German Academic Exchange Service (Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst, DAAD) and other institutions for especially wellqualified candidates. Information about such scholarships can be obtained from German consulates and embassies, the Goethe Institut and the regional offices of the DAAD.

#### Information about scholarship opportunities through the DAAD

#### http://www.daad.de

International students, graduates and early-stage researchers who wish to apply for a DAAD-scholarship should do so while still in their home country and should pay specific attention to the countryspecific information on the DAAD Scholarship Programs:

http://www.daad.de/stipendien/en/index.en.html?

#### Information about other scholarship opportunities

http://www.fundingguide.de http://www.stiftungsindex.de http://www.graduateacademy.uni-heidelberg.de/stipendien/ http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/studium/interesse/stipendien.html

#### Further resource material on scholarship opportunities

Mehr als ein Stipendium: Staatliche Begabtenförderung im Hochschulbereich Herausgeber: Bundesministerium für Bildung und Forschung (BMBF) Verlag: w. Bertelsmann Verlag, Bonn u. Berlin 2009 Also available on-line at: http://www.bmbf.de/pub/begabtenfoerderungswerke.pdf

Geld fürs Studium und die Doktorarbeit: Wer fördert was? Dieter Herrmann/Angela Verse-Herrmann Verlag: Eichborn Verlag 2006 ISBN 3-8218-1594-9

Please note: As these scholarships are extremely limited in number, students dependent on financial aid should also attempt to obtain a scholarship provided by organisations of their home country!

## Studentenwerk Heidelberg

The Heidelberg *Studentenwerk* is a public institution that cooperates with Heidelberg University to provide social support for students. Some of the *Studentenwerk*'s activities include running student residences, canteens and cafeterias, providing grants, social and legal support, psychotherapeutic care and assistance in finding jobs, organising children's day care and pre-school centres and providing cultural programmes for students. *http://www.studentenwerk.uni-heidelberg.de* 

## Living in Heidelberg and environs

There are 4,000 places available in student halls of residence for Heidelberg's 33,000 students. Accordingly, most students are dependent on the private housing market for accommodation.

#### Student residence halls

Over 3,000 places in halls of residence administered by the *Studentenwerk*, the rest are privately maintained.

Of those students who obtain accommodation through the *Studentenwerk*, roughly 40% are international students and 60% are German. Rents amount to €180-285 per month. Applications for student accommodation must be made in writing. The application should be submitted to the *Studentenwerk* by July 1st for the winter term and by January 1st for the summer term. Detailed information on the halls run by the *Studentenwerk* and on the application procedure is available on the internet at: *http://www.studentenwerk.uni-heidelberg.de* 

Information and application forms are also available from: Studentenwerk Heidelberg Wohnheimverwaltung Marstallhof 1

## D- 69117 Heidelberg Email: wohnen@stw.uni-heidelberg.de

In addition to the halls of residences run by the *Studentenwerk*, there are many **privately run student residences** in Heidelberg. An overview of these can be found in the Appendix.

#### Private sector accommodation

The *Akademisches Auslandsamt* has an accommodation service of its own (in conjunction with the *Studentenwerk*) and does its best to help international students find somewhere to live. Unfortunately, the private accommodation service cannot send out accommodation information by post. However, housing offers are accessible online at: *http://www.studentenwerk.uni-heidelberg.de/ zv\_portal/zv* or can be viewed in the showcases of the Accommodation Office located at:

- InfoCenter in the Triplex cafeteria, University Square (city centre)

 InfoCafé International in the Zentralmensa, Im Neuenheimer Feld 304 (Neuenheimer Feld campus)

Recommended emergency/temporary accommodation in Heidelberg for the first few days

Jugendherberge Heidelberg Tiergartenstr. 5 D-69120 Heidelberg Tel.: +49-(0)6221-65119-0 Fax: +49-(0)6221-65119-28 E-Mail: *info@jugendherberge-heidelberg.de* http://www.jugendherberge-heidelberg.de

Other places to contact for temporary accommodation

Gästezimmer-Zentrale Häußerstr. 44 D-69126 Heidelberg Tel./Fax: +49-(0)6221-160363 http://www.gaestezimmer-zentrale.de

Tourist Information Am Hauptbahnhof D-69115 Heidelberg Tel.: +49-(0)6221-19433 E-Mail: *info@cvb-heidelberg.de http://www.cvb-heidelberg.de* 

# Appendix

## University faculty offices / Dean's offices

Dekanat der Theologischen Fakultät (Faculty of Theology) Hauptstrasse 231 D-69117 Heidelberg http://www.theologie.uni-heidelberg.de/

Dekanat der Juristischen Fakultät (Faculty of Law) Friedrich-Ebert-Anlage 6-10 D-69117 Heidelberg http://www.jura-hd.de

Dekanat der Medizinischen Fakultät Heidelberg (Faculty of Medicine Heidelberg) Im Neuenheimer Feld 346 D-69120 Heidelberg http://www.medizinische-fakultaet-hd.uni-heidelberg.de

Dekanat der Fakultät für Klinische Medizin Mannheim der Universität Heidelberg (Faculty of Medicine Mannheim) Theodor-Kutzer-Ufer D-68167 Mannheim http://www.ma.uni-heidelberg.de/

Dekanat der Philosophischen Fakultät (Faculty of Philosophy) Voßstraße 2 D-69115 Heidelberg http://www.philosophische-fakultaet.uni-hd.de/

Dekanat der Neuphilologischen Fakultät (Faculty of Modern Languages) Voßstraße 2 D-69115 Heidelberg http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/fakultaeten/neuphil/

Dekanat der Fakultät für Wirtschafts- und Sozialwissenschaften (Faculty of Economics and Social Studies) Grabengasse 14 D-69117 Heidelberg http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/fakultaeten/wiso/

Fakultät für Verhaltens- und Empirische Kulturwissenschaften (Faculty of Behavioural and Cultural Studies) Hauptstrasse 120 D-69117 Heidelberg *http://www.verkult.uni-heidelberg.de*  Dekanat der Fakultät für Mathematik und Informatik (Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science) Im Neuenheimer Feld 288 D-69120 Heidelberg http://www.mathematik.uni-heidelberg.de/

Dekanat der Fakultät für Chemie und Geowissenschaften (Faculty of Chemistry and Earth Sciences) Im Neuenheimer Feld 234 D-69120 Heidelberg http://www.chemgeo.uni-hd.de

Dekanat der Fakultät für Physik und Astronomie (Faculty of Physics and Astronomy) Albert-Ueberle-Str. 11 D-69120 Heidelberg http://www.physik.uni-heidelberg.de/

Dekanat der Fakultät für Biowissenschaften (Faculty of Biosciences) Im Neuenheimer Feld 234 D-69120 Heidelberg http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/fakultaeten/biowissenschaften

## Private halls of residence

Albertus-Magnus-Studentenwohnheim Keplerstrasse 66, D-69120 Heidelberg Tel.: +49-(0)6221-470868, Fax: +49-(0)6221-402313 E-Mail: info@amh-heidelberg.de http://www.amh-heidelberg.de

Evangelisches Studentenwohnheim der Keller-Thoma-Stiftung Bergstrasse 53 D-69120 Heidelberg Tel.: +49-(0)6221-484262 E-Mail: *keller-thoma@gmx.de http://www.keller-thoma.de* Ökumenisches Studentenwohnheim Plankengasse 3 D-69117 Heidelberg Tel.: +49-(0)6221-543341 E-Mail: *oek.inst@urz.uni-heidelberg.de http://theologie.uni-hd.de/oek* 

Theologisches Studienhaus Neuenheimer Landstrasse 2 D-69120 Heidelberg Tel.: +49-(0)6221-137870, Fax: +49-(0)6221-1378799 http://www.theologisches-studienhaus.de Studentenwohnheim Wartburg Untere Neckarstrasse 21 D-69117 Heidelberg Tel.: +49-(0)6221-26844 E-Mail: Wohnheim\_Wartburg@gmx.net http://www.athg.de

Friedrich-Hauss-Studienzentrum Studentenwohnheim Bergstrasse Heidelberger Strasse 32a D-69198 Schriesheim Tel.: +49-(0)6203-63192, Fax: +49-(0)6203-65033 E-Mail: info@fhsz.de http://www.fhsz.de/htm/kontakt\_bewerbung.htlm

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# **Important Dates**

January 15th	Application deadline for admission in the summer semester
Early February	Winter semester classes end
February 28th	Winter semester ends
March 1st	Summer semester begins
End of March	Deutsche Sprachprüfung für den Hochschulzugang (DSH)
End of March/ Beginning of April	Orientation days for new international students
Beginning of April	Summer semester classes begin
July 15th	Application deadline for admission in the winter semester
Late July	Summer semester classes end
August 31st	Summer semester ends
September 1st	Winter semester begins
End of September	Deutsche Sprachprüfung für den Hochschulzugang (DSH)
End of September/ Beginning of October	Orientation days for new international students
Beginning of October	Winter semester classes begin

# **Important Websites**

Heidelberg University:

Homepage of Heidelberg University *www.uni-heidelberg.de* 

Homepage of the International Relations Office http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/studium/kontakt/auslandsamt/

Academic Faculties http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/fakultaeten/

Overview of academic subjects with general information http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/studium/interesse/faecher/

Course catalogue http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/studium/imstudium/vorlesungen/

List of university staff www.uni-heidelberg.de/univ/personal/

International Relations Office support services http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/studium/kontakt/auslandsamt/aaa\_angebote.html

Complete overview of University support services http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/studium/interesse/beratung/

Academic advisors http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/studium/kontakt/fachstudberatung.html

Examination regulations http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/studium/download/index.html#stud

Downloading important forms http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/studium/download/index.html

## General information:

Courses offered at German universities www.hochschulkompass.de

Studying in Germany www.daad.de

Information on recognition of higher education entrance qualifications *www.anabin.de*