



HOCHSCHULE OSNABRÜCK

UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED SCIENCES

FACULTY OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES AND LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE



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Academic Opportunities

At the *Faculty of Agricultural Sciences and Landscape Architecture*, we want to actively shape the future by finding interdisciplinary solutions to today's challenges. We strive to protect the climate and biodiversity, ensure healthy food and create a strong, sustainable agriculture and resilient landscapes and buildings. As part of a *University of Applied Sciences*, we offer exciting, hands-on courses and seminars as well as a wide range of excursions and projects that benefit from our strong ties connecting academia and professional practice, preparing our students for meaningful professional careers after graduation.

Language requirements	Students are required to have at least a B1 level (as defined by the CEFR) in the language of instruction of the modules they will be attending (German/English).
Modules taught in German	Most courses at the Faculty of Agricultural Sciences and Landscape Architecture are taught in German. If students have sufficient knowledge of German (see <i>Language of Instruction</i> below), they can attend almost all courses. To find out what modules are on offer, please select one of the degree programmes via https://www.hs-osnabrueck.de/aul/studium/ , click on "Informationsseite" and then on "Studienverlauf".
Modules taught in English	International visiting students are welcome to choose from any of our courses that are taught in English (with only a few exceptions where specific prior knowledge is required): https://www.hs-osnabrueck.de/en/university/faculties/agricultural-sciences-and-landscape-architecture-aul/international/modules-taught-in-english/ <i>Note: If students have a sufficient level of German, some teachers may agree to allow them to follow their course taught in German and take the exam in English.</i> In 2026, we will launch the international Master's programme "Land Use Transformation" which will be taught entirely in English. Incoming Master's students are welcome to join!
Academic English Language Courses	The Faculty of Agricultural Sciences and Landscape Architecture offers a range of specialist English language courses for the different subject areas (e.g. English for Landscape Architects and Planners).
Internships (German/English)	Laboratories and research groups in various academic disciplines offer international students the opportunity to gain valuable hands-on research experience as part of a team for 3 to 6 months. Interns are enrolled as regular incoming students. https://www.hs-osnabrueck.de/internship-program
Final projects	Visiting students are welcome to work on their final project during their time in Osnabrück, as long as they have a main supervisor at their home university and find a secondary supervisor at Osnabrück UAS. In order to find a secondary supervisor, they should contact the IFO as early as possible.
Doctoral Students	International doctoral students are welcome to come to Osnabrück UAS as part of a cooperative doctorate, be it for the entire duration of their doctorate or just for a few months. https://www.hs-osnabrueck.de/en/study/study-offerings/international/incoming/research-work-teach/doctoral-students/
Intensive International Programmes	We welcome international students not only for a full semester (or a full degree programme, of course!), but also for shorter intensive programmes. These take place between May and August and last between two and six weeks. https://www.hs-osnabrueck.de/summer-and-winter-programs
Studying in another faculty	It may be possible to arrange for students to attend modules offered by other faculties: https://www.hs-osnabrueck.de/international-courses-and-programs Students should contact the IFO early on if they are interested.
Learning German	<i>Intensive German courses before the lecture period:</i> The International Language School helps international students to improve their German before the start of lectures. It is also an excellent opportunity to meet other students and find their way around Osnabrück UAS and the surrounding area. https://www.hs-osnabrueck.de/summer-and-winter-programs <i>Regular German courses throughout the semester:</i> Students can attend German classes that run throughout the semester. Students are asked to take a placement test beforehand so that they can be placed in a course according to their level of German.



Living & Studying in Osnabrück	
The City of Osnabrück	Germany lies at the heart of Europe. Located in the north-west of the country, Osnabrück is home to more than 150.000 inhabitants, 30.000 of whom are students. With its medieval town center and the carefully restored half-timbered houses, the city offers a unique atmosphere. Modern passages and pedestrianised areas invite to take a stroll and go shopping. With its colourful and diverse neighbourhoods, a high quality and varied cultural programme and its proximity to the Teutoburg Forest and the Wiehengebirge, the city once earned the slogan "Ich komm' zum Glück aus Osnabrück!" as the most liveable city in Germany.
The Campus(es)	Osnabrück UAS is spread over 4 campuses: Campus Caprivi, Campus Haste, Campus Lingen, Campus Westerberg. They have grown with their environment, carefully adapting to regional conditions whilst always keeping the needs of students and staff in mind. Thus, despite having become the largest University of Applied Sciences in Lower Saxony, Osnabrück UAS has managed to create and maintain a pleasantly intimate, open and welcoming learning environment. Our student cafeterias and canteens, located on the various campuses of both Osnabrück UAS and Osnabrück University, have won numerous awards and are renowned for their creativity and forward-thinking (e.g. biodiversity-friendly meals, a planetary-healthy canteen).
	The <i>Faculty of Agricultural Sciences and Landscape Architecture</i> is located on the beautiful park-like Campus Haste on the northern outskirts of Osnabrück, also known as " the Green Campus ". There are many starting points for practice-oriented teaching and research: Various hands-on research laboratories , the greenhouses, the perennial gardens , the Teaching and Research Center for Food Sciences at the traditional "Schmied im Hone" location (as a former excursion restaurant which produces its own campus beer), the WABE-Centre , the Waldhof experimental farm as well as the new Indoorfarm . For decades, this campus has literally been a place to flourish.
Buddy Programme	To welcome our visiting students on their arrival in Osnabrück, each of them is assigned a "buddy": A more experienced student from our faculty who will meet the visiting student at the train station, take them to their accommodation, help them with formalities, show them around the campus and the city, perhaps even introduce them to their circle of friends, and simply stay in touch throughout their stay. The Buddy Programme is structured around joint Orientation Days, a Mid-term Event and a Farewell Gathering.
CampusCard	All visiting students staying at Osnabrück UAS for more than 3 months will receive a CampusCard upon enrolment. The CampusCard serves as a student ID, a ticket for buses and regional trains in Lower Saxony and a library card. It can also be used to pay for printing, photocopying and meals in the student canteens and cafeterias . The ticket can be upgraded to a Deutschlandticket for approx. 25 € per month (not necessarily for the whole semester) so that it can be used on all local and regional transport in Germany .
Sport and Leisure	https://www.hs-osnabrueck.de/en/study/study-offerings/international/incoming/visiting-students/#c9716648

Mobility Costs	
Expenses at the beginning of the stay	<i>Semester fee:</i> Osnabrück UAS doesn't charge tuition fees for exchange students from partner universities. For them, the semester fee is approximately 250 € (ca. 330 € for free movers); it includes various student services and a public transport ticket for free use of buses and regional trains in Osnabrück and the surrounding area.
	<i>Residence permit for non-EU citizens:</i> ca. 110 € for the first residence permit, 80 € for permit extensions
	<i>Housing deposit:</i> 250 € - 400 € (depending on length of stay)
	<i>Furnishing of the room:</i> approx. 150 € (for bed linen, towels, dishes etc.)
Monthly living costs	We estimate that students living in and around Osnabrück need about 800 - 950 € a month to cover all costs. <i>Students requiring a visa or a residence permit</i> must provide evidence that they have access to at least 934 € per month for the duration of their stay.
More detailed information: https://www.hs-osnabrueck.de/en/study/study-offerings/international/incoming/visiting-students/#9716634	

Other practical information
For more practical information regarding <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Housing, - Visa, Residence Permit and Registration, - Health Insurance, - ECTS and the German grading system, - and much more please visit https://www.hs-osnabrueck.de/international-visiting-students .



Osnabrück UAS in Social Media		
University	Instagram	@hs_osnabrueck, #hsosnabrück, #wirfürmorgen
	Facebook	https://www.facebook.com/hs.osnabrueck
	Twitter	@HS_Osnabrueck
	YouTube	https://www.youtube.com/user/HochschuleOS
AStA General Student Committee (University)	Instagram	@hochschulfreun.de, #AStA
	YouTube	@hochschulfreunde895
Fachschaft Student Council (Faculty)	Instagram	@campus_haste, #Fachschaft A&L
	Facebook	https://www.facebook.com/campus_haste/

Dates & Application	
Academic Calendar	Winter semesters run from September 01 until February 28 (29). Lectures usually start at the end of September and exams are held from mid-January to the end of January/beginning of February. Summer semesters run from March 01 until August 31. Lectures usually start in early/mid-March and exams are held from mid-June to early/mid-July.
	The exact semester dates can be found here: https://www.hs-osnabrueck.de/studium/rund-ums-studium/studienorganisation/#c15967
	Orientation days: two days in the week before lectures start
	Last day of arrival: one day before the first orientation day
Application	Nomination: Students from partner universities must be nominated by their home institution via email (to the IFO's administrative contact), with the student's full name, field of study, study level (graduate / undergraduate), exchange period and email address. Nomination periods are as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Winter semester: March 01 – April 30 - Summer semester: September 01 – October 15 <i>Freemover students don't need to be nominated; they contact the IFO themselves.</i>
	Application: Nominated students will receive a link to an online application form. The following documents will need to be uploaded: Photo • Curriculum Vitae/Resume • Passport • Transcript of Records • Language Certificate (at least B1 level in the language of instruction) • Certificate of Enrolment. Internship applications require an additional letter of motivation for the project of choice. Applications must be completed within two weeks after the nomination deadline: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Winter semester: May 15 - Summer semester: November 01
	Decision: We will send our decision within two weeks of receiving the complete application.
Learning Agreement	The regular workload for one semester is 30 ECTS; most modules are worth 5 ECTS. Regular visiting students can choose the number of ECTS they wish to take. Incoming scholarship holders must take a minimum of 20 ECTS per semester.
	Template: Erasmus+ students should use Online Learning Agreements (OLA), if possible. Regular Learning Agreements based on the student's home institution's template are also accepted. As an alternative, students may adapt the template that Osnabrück UAS provides for its outgoing students.
	The Learning Agreement "Before" (with a first selection of modules) needs to be completed and emailed to the IFO within one month after the application deadline: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Winter semester: June 15 - Summer semester: December 01
	Any changes to the Learning Agreement have to be made within a period of approximately one month after the start of the lectures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Winter semester: October 25 - Summer semester: April 05 The final Learning Agreement must be signed by the student, the IFO and the student's home institution.
Enrolment	In order to be fully enrolled as a visiting student at Osnabrück UAS (and thus to receive an enrolment certificate and a CampusCard), students must have completed their application, taken out health insurance, uploaded a photo on the university's Intranet and paid their semester fee. https://www.hs-osnabrueck.de/en/study/study-offerings/international/incoming/visiting-students/#c11922118
Transcript of Records	Once the teachers have entered the grades for all the modules that the student has completed, a Transcript of Records is emailed to the student's home institution (CCing the student).

Herzlich willkommen an der Hochschule Osnabrück!
Welcome to Osnabrück University of Applied Sciences!