Hochschule Bremerhaven
University of Applied Sciences

Fact Sheet

Institutional Details

Name of institution	Hochschule Bremerhaven
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Academic Calendar

Winter term 2026/27: 01.10.2026 - 31.03.2027

Start of semester	01.10.2026
Introduction week	05.10.2026 – 09.10.2026
Start of courses	12.10.2026
Christmas break	21.12.2026 – 03.01.2027
End of courses	29.01.2027
Examination period	30.01.2027 – 13.02.2027 and 06.03.2027 – 20.03.2027
End of semester	31.03.2027

Summer term 2027: 01.04.2027 – 30.09.2027

Start of semester	01.04.2027
Start of courses	05.04.2027
Easter break	22.03.2027 – 02.04.2027
End of courses	09.07.2027
Examination period	10.07.2027 – 24.07.2027 and 11.09.2027 – 25.09.2027
End of semester	30.09.2026

Application

Nomination deadlines	Summer term: 15 November Winter term: 15 May

Application process	**/Step 1**: Nomination by home institution to be sent by email to: incomings@hs-bremerhaven.de Feedback on the nomination is given within a period of 4 weeks. **/Step 2**: Submission of application documents Students shall submit the following documentation to incomings@hs-bremerhaven.de • Application form • CV • Transcript of Records • (Online) Learning Agreement • Language certificate (English B2/German B2 depending on study programme) • Copy of identity card/passport • Passport-sized photograph **/Step 3**: Admission An admission letter is issued to the student and the home institution via email once we have received all application documents. However, the student needs to confirm the admission through the payment of the semester fee. A student handbook is shared with the students after the admission letter was issued. **/Step 4**: Start of the semester A valid health insurance and the personal information sheet need to be submitted to the admission office in order to receive the semester documents.
Application deadlines	Summer term: 30 November Winter term: 30 May

General study information

Academic offer	Students may stay for one or two semesters and choose to study programmes taught in English or German language, depending on their home institution's requirements and their language proficiency. A list of courses taught in English language can be found on our website or provided upon request.
Language proficiency	English taught programmes: an equivalent of B2 level minimum German taught programmes: an equivalent of B2 level minimum
Course selection	It is possible to combine courses from different programmes, as long as this is in accordance with the home institution's requirements. In addition to the subject-specific course offerings, students can also choose from general study courses (e.g. Effective and Efficient Decision Making, Honest Team Communication) and language courses. Frequently, some thematically related courses are bundled to a module. They form a combination of teaching and learning units and comprise 3 to 8 ECTS. Please note that courses may be subject to slight changes.
European Credit Transfer System/Workload	The programmes are structured according to the ECTS system. I ECTS amounts to a workload of approximately 25 hours, which describes the expenditure of time needed to pass the course but not the actual duration of a course. The common workload for full-time

	students is 60 ECTS per year, meaning 30 ECTS per semester. The same workload is recommended for international students.
Exams	There is an exam period at the end of each semester.
Grading system	German higher education institutions use a 5-point grading scale to evaluate academic performance, ranging from I (excellent [A]) to 5 (fail [F]).
Semester fee	The semester fee is mandatory for all students and amounts for exchange students to approx. € 375,00/semester (varies slightly each semester). It includes contributions to the student union, administrative services, student services, and covers the public transportation ticket for the region around Bremerhaven.
Transcript of records	A transcript of records is issued by HS Bremerhaven within 6 weeks after the 2nd exam period has finished.

Practical arrangements

Accommodation	It is the students' responsibility to arrange an accommodation. The International Office provides information on housing options.
Living costs	German public health insurance: approx. € 110,00 (for non-EU students) Rent: approx. 350,00€ - 450,00€ + Licence fee (mandatory for all students, covers public broadcasting service): 17,50€ Food: approx. 150,00€ – 200,00€ Leisure: 100,00€ – 150,00€ As a result, 800€ - 900€ per month should be sufficient to make a living here.
Campus facilities	The campus is easily accessible by public transportation and offers a good Wi-Fi connection, an e-learning platform, computer labs, and working spaces. Students looking for an internship can receive assistance from the Career Service Centre regarding internship opportunities, preparation of CVs, and job interviews.
Visa/Immigration issues	Student visa fees and supporting documents vary from country to country. The International Office advises students to contact their local German Embassy or Consulate for an appointment as soon as they have received their Admission Letter. We provide assistance, when required, in securing visa for incoming participants, according to the requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education.
Insurance	It is mandatory for all students in German universities to have a valid health insurance (Krankenversicherung) that offers unlimited coverage of all treatments during their whole stay: • EU citizens: A European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) is valid, however, it is necessary to get an official EHIC confirmation from a German public health insurance company that your European Health Insurance Card is valid. Please request this confirmation by contacting a German public health insurance company. A list will be provided with the admission. • Non-EU students under the age of 30: a German statutory health insurance is required. It will cost around 110 Euro per month. • Non-EU students above the age of 30: cannot take out a statutory health insurance. They obligatorily have to contract

	a private insurance that might charge additionally for accompanying family members.
Inclusion and Accessibility	HS Bremerhaven will provide support to incoming mobile participants with special needs, according to the requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education. Information and assistance can be provided by the Service Point Equal Opportunities (Claudia Krieten: ckrieten@hs-bremerhaven.de).
Ethics and Values	University Code of Conduct sets out what characterizes cooperation and collaboration at the university (Quality, Openness, Responsibility, Togetherness, Personal development and Passion).