

Information about attending a Studienkolleg

If your school leaving qualification from your home country is not recognised as a higher education entrance qualification in Germany, you will need to attend a Studienkolleg before you can apply to university.

You will find out if this applies to you in the uni-assist preliminary review documentation (VPD) procedure. The "Evaluation" section of the VPD then states: "These documents certify that ... has the university **entrance qualification for the Studienkolleg** [...]."

There are two types of Studienkolleg

- 1. University of applied sciences Studienkolleg: Successful completion entitles students to apply to study at a university of applied sciences (e.g. HSWT).
- 2. University Studienkolleg: Successful completion entitles students to apply to study at a university or a university of applied sciences (e.g. HSWT).

There is also a difference between **state-run and private Studienkollegs**: At state-run Studienkollegs, you will receive a recognised qualification. These Studienkollegs are free to attend; there is just a minimal semester fee to pay. Private Studienkollegs charge tuition. You will also need to check whether the qualification is officially recognised, as this is required to study at HSWT.

Specialised courses

When attending a Studienkolleg, you should choose a specialised course that prepares you for your future degree programme. Admission onto a degree programme may be possible with various specialised courses.

The following specialised courses will prepare you for a degree at HSWT:

- **TI course at a university of applied sciences Studienkolleg** (for technical and engineering degree programmes) or **T course at a university Studienkolleg** (for mathematical, science or technical degree programmes): Admission onto all degree programmes offered at HSWT.
- WW course at a university of applied sciences Studienkolleg (for economics and business degrees) or W course at a university Studienkolleg (for economics, business and social science degrees): Admission onto the Agribusiness, Foodstuff Management, Management of Renewable Energies, and Organic Food & Business degree programmes.
- **M course at a university Studienkolleg** (for medical, biological and pharmaceutical degree programmes): Admission onto the Agriculture, Bioprocess Informatics, Biotechnology, Engineering in Forestry, Foodstuff Management, Food Technology, Horticulture, Management of Renewable Energies, Nutrition and Food Supply Management and Organic Food & Business degree programmes.

Choosing a Studienkolleg

The **Studienkolleg Coburg** prepares students for studies at the universities of applied sciences in Bavaria. However, certificates are also generally accepted from Studienkollegs outside of Bavaria.

Information on Studienkolleg Coburg (e.g. registration, entrance examination): <u>https://studienkolleg-coburg.de/en/welcome-to-wow-homepage/</u>

Contact information for other state-run Studienkollegs: www.studienkollegs.de/home.html

At the end of your time at the Studienkolleg, you will complete a **final assessment exam**, called "Feststellungsprüfung". The certificate that you receive on completing this exam will entitle you to apply for a place at HSWT.