Call for applications: Erasmus Plus scholarships to study at Freie Universität Berlin (FUB) during the spring semester of 2017

The European Union is offering scholarships for Master’s and PhD students to study/conduct research at FUB within the Erasmus Plus Program. Detailed information is available in the table below.

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<th>University name</th>
<th>Freie Universität Berlin (FUB)</th>
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<td>Language of Instruction</td>
<td>German, English</td>
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<td>Requirements</td>
<td>A. Registered student at TAU</td>
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<td>B. Minimum average of 80</td>
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<td>C. Fluent English/German – the minimum required level is B1</td>
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<td>D. Students from all fields of studies can apply.</td>
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<td>E. <strong>Courses taught in English are available in the following fields:</strong> Biochemistry; bioinformatics; Chemistry; English Studies: literature, language, culture; environmental earth sciences; global history; mathematics; north American studies; physics; social, cognitive and affective neuroscience; sociology; environmental policy and planning.</td>
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<td>F. Master's student can only participate in the program from the 1st semester of the second year of studies until the 1st semester of the last year of studies.</td>
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<td>G. <strong>PhD students can arrive to FUB for a shorter period than 6 months (the minimum period is 3 months).</strong> Since PhD students do not have to take courses, they can also arrive to FUB during the summer for example, and not necessarily during the semester dates, as long as their supervisor is present at FUB during their stay.</td>
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<td>Scholarship details</td>
<td>• 800 Euros per month for a duration of 4 months*</td>
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<td>• 360 Euros for travel expenses</td>
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<td>Number of required credits for bachelor's and master's students</td>
<td>Students are recommended to take at least 24 ECTS credits (equivalent to 12 TAU credits), but FUB do not have a minimum requirement of credits.</td>
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<td>* Deviations might be possible, pending approval from FUB University</td>
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<td>Courses taught in English at FUB</td>
<td>Detailed list is available in the link: <a href="http://www.fu-berlin.de/en/studium/studienangebot/english/">http://www.fu-berlin.de/en/studium/studienangebot/english/</a></td>
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<td>Questions about courses open to exchange students can be sent to Ms. Regina Rahm, her address is: <a href="mailto:regina.rahm@fu-berlin.de">regina.rahm@fu-berlin.de</a></td>
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Please note:

A. Fee-based continuing education master’s programs are NOT open to exchange students.

B. In order to attend individual courses in a master’s program, students need prior approval by the faculty member. Admission to a master’s program (non-degree status), is only possible with the approval of the department offering the master’s program.

Documents required by the sending institution (Tel Aviv university):

- CV written in English
- Motivation letter
- Transcript of records in English with a minimum average of 80
- For PhD students only: Letter of invitation from a faculty member at FUB
- Confirmation of studies/copy of a valid student card
- Student letter of commitment – please complete the form in the link below: התכנית המסודרת בחילופין

Document that needs to be signed by the academic advisor in your faculty:

- Faculty approval – please ask the academic advisor/the person who is in charge of academic recognition in your department to sign the form in the link below: יושר המחלה ללימודי בחילופין

Please note, if you plan to take courses at FUB you must include the list of courses in the faculty approval and receive an approval from the department that the credits will be recognized for your degree at TAU.

Learning agreement – only required from students who passed the interview stage at TAU:

Learning agreement – this document sets out the study program to be followed by the student. It needs to include all the classes that you plan to take at FUB and the number of credits earned in each class. It needs to be completed and signed by the academic advisor at TAU and by the coordinator of the office of international academic affairs at FUB prior to the mobility.

Documents required by the receiving institution (FUB) - only required from students who passed the interview stage at TAU:

- Completed application form
- 1 photocopy of the certificate of the university the student is enrolled at (i.e. transcript, grade report)
- photocopy(ies) of the student’s B. A., M. A. or other final degrees (if already available)
- 1 photocopy of the student’s passport (page with photograph)
- 1 curriculum vitae
- study proposal outlining which subject(s) students would like to study
- filled in Learning Agreement (signed by the student and the home university)
- for PhD applicants: an acceptance letter issued by a professor of FUB

Hard copies or scanned documents attached to an e-mail are accepted. The documents should be in either German or English or accompanied by an English translation.

Students will receive the letter of admission including information about enrolment, accommodation and language courses via e-mail at the beginning of June. A hard
copy will be sent to the home university if students need to apply for a visa in order to enter Germany.

| **Mobility dates** | The mobility will take place during the spring semester of 2017 (April 1\(^{st}\) to July 31\(^{st}\))  
*PhD students do not have to arrive during the semester dates* |
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| **Required insurance** | **Medical Insurance:**  
Students must have comprehensive health insurance valid in Germany for enrolment as a full-time student at FUB and for obtaining a residence permit (see more information in the attached fact-sheet). The colleagues at the International Office at Freie Universität Berlin can assist with purchasing a suitable and affordable insurance.  

**Liability Insurance:**  
Students are required to purchase liability insurance for the whole duration of stay.  
It is under the student responsibility to insure himself/herself for the whole duration of stay, including travel.  
Students are required to submit a proof of insurance to the office of international academic affairs at TAU prior to their mobility period. |
| **Deadline** | **Application Deadline: August 28\(^{th}\) 2016**  
**Interviews will take place on August 30\(^{th}\) 2016** |
| **Semester dates** | Spring semester 2017: April 1\(^{st}\) to July 31\(^{st}\), 2017  
Orientation: first week of April  
* Please consult with the local coordinator at FUB regarding arrival and departure dates before booking your flight |
| **Important comment** | Erasmus Plus scholarship for this specific call can only be implemented until July 31\(^{st}\) 2017.  
PhD students can receive a monthly scholarship for a maximum period of 6 months (from February until July 31\(^{st}\) 2017). |
Master’s students can receive a scholarship for a maximum period of 4 months (from April until July 31st 2017). The semester ends in the middle of July and exams may take place after July 31st 2017, which means that master’s students may need to support themselves for a short period of time (approximately two weeks during August 2017) without receiving the monthly scholarship for August.