Majors/Minors in Alphabetical Order (Humanities & Social Sciences)

This document lists the majors and minors offered at Free, Humboldt, and Technical University. Click on the “X” to get more information about the major.

- If you do not see an exact match to your major at UC, look for a closely related field of study. You should also review the entire list of majors because there are some specialized fields of study at these Universities that might offer coursework that is applicable to your UC major.

- Modules refer to general topics taught within a degree, not specific courses. The modules give you a general idea of the structure and focus of the degree; not all of them are necessarily offered every semester. Within each module, new courses become available every semester, and you will need to do additional research in the course catalogues to find out which courses are being offered.

- Course Catalog Links- these catalogues show the courses offered in the current academic term. Courses for the following term will not be posted until about 1-2 months prior to the start of the semester. You should use this current catalogue to get a general idea of the courses that will be offered while you are abroad.
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North American Studies (FU)
+ around 25-30 different courses per semester
+ Notes: The renowned institute offers students an academic education with a specialization on the United States and Canada. It is one of the most important centers in Europe for research on North America and was founded in 1963 by the political scientist Ernst Fraenkel with the aim of providing academic expertise on North America. Of particular importance is its interdisciplinary nature; the six different departments of the institute (History, Culture, Economics, Literature, Political Science, Sociology) are simultaneously integrated into the departments of their respective disciplines. The library of the John F. Kennedy Institute, with roughly 790,000 media units, is the largest library in Europe that is specialized in North American studies.

American Studies (HU)
+ Modules: American Literary and Cultural History, Literary Theory, American Arts and Media in Context, Language, Paradigms of American Literature and Culture; Literature, Culture & Media in American Society
+ around 25-30 different courses per semester
+ Notes: Part of the Department of English and American Studies, encompassing American literature as well as numerous cultural areas (popular culture, film, the electronic media, etc.). Particular fields of expertise: interaction between literature, culture and society; cultural diversity (ethnicity, gender/sexuality, class, age, religion); interdependency between Europe and America; the role of the media. Students play important role in American Studies activities (student projects and conferences, lectures by international academics in lecture series and symposia).

Social and Cultural Anthropology (FU)
+ Modules: Introduction to Social & Cultural Anthropology, Social Structure & the Economy, Ethnographies; Culture, Media, & Globalization; Methods of Social & Cultural Anthropology; Religion, Cosmology & Ritual
+ around 14 different courses per semester
+ Notes: FU discipline ever since the university was founded in 1948. Research focuses on cultural, social, economic, political, and religious forms of human organization and explores cultural comparisons as well
as processes of sociocultural change. In this context, “culture” is understood to refer all of the non-
material, symbolic, and material expressions of human existence, including all aspects from physical
objects and techniques to business practices and forms of social organization, and knowledge, religion,
art, and education. In addition to providing an education in social and cultural theory, and regional
knowledge, the Institute is distinguished by its strong focus on methodology and the implementation of
empirical research beginning with the master’s program. Regionally, the Institute focuses in particular on
insular Southeast Asia and Oceania, as well as sub-Saharan Africa (including eastern and southern
Africa). Increasingly, within the context of global and transnational linkages, there is a focus on migration
contexts in European societies.

Arabic Studies (FU)
http://www.geschkult.fu-berlin.de/en/e/semiarab/arabistik/index.html and http://www.fu-
berlin.de/en/einrichtungen/fachbereiche/fb/gesch-kultur/orient/sem/index.html

Classical Archaeology (FU)
+ Modules: Fundamentals of the Studies of Ancient Civilizations, Integrative Topic Modules (e.g. Family),
Eras of Classical Archaeology, Ancient Architecture and Topography, Ancient World of Images, Spatial
Contexts of Ancient Pictures and Artifacts, Communicating Information: Documentation, Communication
and Visualization of Classical Archaeological Research, Elective Areas: Egyptian Archaeology, Assyriology,
Reading Hittite/Sumerian/Akkadian/Alternative Ancient Near Eastern Languages, Overview of Pre- and
Protohistoric Periods, Culture of Property, Chronology, Business Archeology, Settlements, Cultural
Regions, Tombs & Burials, Ritual Places, Archaeological Methods, Social History & Analysis, Gender
Studies, Groups & Typologies, Ancient Near Eastern Archeology
+ around 35 different courses per semester
and http://www.geschkult.fu-berlin.de/en/e/klassarch/index.html (Institute of Classical Archaeology)
+ Notes: The Institute of Classical Archaeology has existed ever since Freie Universität Berlin was
founded in the 1948/49 winter semester. Classical archaeology is the study of the material evidence of
Greek, Etruscan, and Roman cultures. The geographical context consists primarily of Greece, Asia Minor,
and Italy, as well as the entire area of the Mediterranean, and at times, other parts of the Near East and
Europe. In Greece the time frame covers the Minoan and Mycenaean culture of the Bronze Age (3rd-2nd
millennium BC.), the world of Greek and Italian city-states, and the Hellenistic monarchies and
commonwealths as well as the Roman Empire to Late Antiquity (4th-5th century AD).

Classical Archaeology (HU)
+ Modules: Fundamentals, Material Culture Greece & Rome, Greek/Roman Archaeology; Elective Fields:
Greek/Roman Archeology II; Text, Image, Medium; Discussing, Arguing, Presenting, Archaeological
Practice
+ around 10 different courses per semester
+ Links: https://www.hu-berlin.de/de/studium/beratung/angebot/sgb/klassarch (Classical Archaeology
degree); https://www.archaeologie.hu-berlin.de/de/lehrbereich_klarcho/winckelmann (Winckelmann
Institute)
+ Notes: Department is as old as the university itself. Students acquire basic skills in study of material
legacy of ancient Greek and Roman cultures, their neighboring cultures and their reception and
transformation in post-classical times.

Near Eastern Archaeology (FU)
http://www.fu-berlin.de/en/einrichtungen/fachbereiche/fb/gesch-kultur/altwiss/vak/index.html and
http://www.geschkult.fu-berlin.de/en/e/vaa/index.html
Northeast African Archaeology and Cultural Studies (HU)
https://www.hu-berlin.de/en/studies/counselling/course-catalogue/programme-descriptions/aknoa,
https://www.archaeologie.hu-berlin.de/de/aknoa

Prehistoric Archaeology (FU)

Art History (FU)
+ around 65 different courses per term
+ Note: Focus on Europe and America, Africa, and East Asia (3 BAs); one of the largest Art History departments in Germany both in the number of professorships and in the size of its library. Full spectrum of art history classes, from late Antiquity to the present, but goes also beyond traditionally accepted limits of European art history.

Art and Visual History (HU)
+ Modules: Introduction to Art and Visual History, Middle Ages, Modern Era, Modern and Contemporary Art, Visual History/Methods/History of Science, Practice-oriented Courses, Practical Work, Specialization
+ around 40-45 different courses per term
+ Notes: Distinctive in its combination of art history and visual history. The department’s location, right by Museum Island and close to numerous galleries and other exhibition spaces, also provides direct connection to relevant institutions. History of the forms and functions of artistic design from the Early Middle Ages to the present day, including the history of architecture and urban planning, sculpture, painting and graphic art, arts and crafts, photography and film, electronically generated imagery, scientific visualizations and installations. Special foci are also the history of architecture and urban planning, exhibitions and museum displays, the relationship between art, sciences and technology, gender studies as well as the history of Central and Eastern European art. A non-program-specific emphasis is placed on the use of technical media for work organization, research, presentation and scientific analysis.

Asian & African Studies (HU)
Assyriology (FU)

Business Administration (FU)
+ around 30 different courses per semester
Notes: FU’S School of Business and Economics is one of the largest of its kind in Germany. 1) Management Division (issues of business management and governance, from strategy development to organizational design, formation of alliances and networks, staff assignments and management, or management of knowledge and innovation) 2) Marketing Division (consumer behavior, business-to-business (B2B) marketing) 3) Division of Finance, Accounting, and Taxation 4) Division of Information Systems. Research marked by high level of national and international networking and by attention to findings from behavioral sciences, social sciences, and legal studies. The institute also refers to business services instead of merely the development, production, and marketing of material goods.

Business Administration (HU)
+ Modules: Financial Reporting; Managerial Accounting; Marketing and E-Business; Strategy, Organization & Information Technology; Corporate Finance; Business Administration; Law; Math; Statistics; Econometrics
+ around 50 different courses per semester
+ Links: https://www.wiwi.hu-berlin.de/en/ (School of Business and Economics); https://www.hu-berlin.de/en/studies/counselling/course-catalogue/programme-descriptions/bwl/ (Business Administration degree)
+ Notes: Major commitment to teaching and research, an approach largely centered around applying quantitative methods and processes to economic issues. Range of courses focuses on learning and applying complex quantitative economic methods. Students need an interest and aptitude for subjects such as statistics and mathematics.

Sustainable (Economic) Management (Business Administration) (TU)
+ Links: http://www.wm.tu-berlin.de/menue/facilities/institutes/bwl/parameter/en/font3/ (Institute of Business Administration); http://www.nama.tu-berlin.de/menue/ueberblick/ (degree program in German)
+ around 15 different courses per semester
Byzantine Studies (FU)  
http://www.geisteswissenschaften.fu-berlin.de/en/we02/griechisch/byzantinistik/index.html

Chinese Studies (FU)  

Comparative Literature (FU)  

Cultural Studies or Cultural Theory & History (HU)  
+ Modules: Introductory Module: Theories-Methods-Canon; Texts-Images-Objects; Perception-Imagination-Bodies; Techniques-Practices-Materializations; Knowledge-Structures-Media  
+ around 40 different courses per semester  
+ Links: https://www.hu-berlin.de/en/studies/counselling/course-catalogue/programme-descriptions/kuwikombi (Cultural History and Theory degree); https://www.culture.hu-berlin.de/en/home?set_language=en (Department of Cultural History and Theory)  
+ Notes: Focuses on historical and material-oriented analysis of European cultures from classical antiquity to present, based on position that cultures are formed through knowledge and knowledge practices. The processes of adoption and change within cultures take place over long periods of time. Cultural Studies deals with systems of perception and evaluation, symbolic orders, cultural, media and body techniques, gender hierarchies, myths and religious cults, and art. Primarily a cultural theory discipline in the tradition of German-language cultural studies (Freud, Simmel, Weber, Cassirer, Warburg and Benjamin). It also integrates the stimuli of post-structuralism, gender research and media theory. The focus of research and teaching includes historical anthropology, the theory and history of cultural techniques, cultural studies of aesthetic and the history of knowledge. As an interdisciplinary subject, the Cultural Studies course is open to the innovations of English-language cultural studies, although the former differs significantly through greater emphasis on the historical dimension of cultures.

Culture & Technology (TU)  
+ ca. 20 different courses per term  
+ Link: http://www.tu-berlin.de/fakultaet_i/menue/studium_und_lehre/studiengaenge/bachelorstudiengaenge/  
+ Notes: Core topics include visual arts of the 19th and 20th centuries, Museum and collection history, Franco-German cultural transfer, Transatlantic artistic relations, Art and politics, and Art and the market. In addition to seminars and lectures, there are classes taught before original works in Berlin’s museums, as well as excursions and project seminars.

Dutch Language and Literature (FU)  

Economics (FU)  
+ Modules: Fundamentals of Economics, Business Administration, and Law; Specialization a) Business
Administration b) Economic Policy and Finance c) Quantitative Methods
+ around 18 different courses per semester
+ FU’s School of Business and Economics is one of the largest of its kind in Germany. Explicit focus on the field of financial studies where scholars discuss issues of current politics, taxes, regulation, and labor market policies. This concentration, which is spurred in part by the university’s physical proximity to Germany’s political center, represents a special feature in the economics research landscape. Another central field is applied microeconomics, which considers the governance of markets and organizations. Researchers in this field focus particularly on the applications of microeconomics and game theory in the areas of industrial economics, information economics, and contract theory. Researchers working in economic policy within the academic unit continue Berlin’s longstanding tradition as a center of monetary macroeconomics and pay particular attention to the areas of the European Economic and Monetary Union (EMU), while also studying the design of bodies responsible for monetary policy as well as central bank communications.

Economics (HU) (incl. Economics Education)
+ Modules: Financial Reporting; Managerial Accounting; Marketing and E-Business; Strategy, Organization and Information Technology; Corporate Finance; Economics (Intro, History, Microeconomics, Macroeconomics); Law; Math; Statistics; Econometrics
+ Links: https://www.wiwi.hu-berlin.de/en/ (School of Business and Economics); https://www.hu-berlin.de/en/studies/counselling/course-catalogue/programme-descriptions/vwl/ (Economics degree)
+ around 50 different courses per semester
+ Notes: Major commitment to teaching and research, an approach largely centered around applying quantitative methods and processes to economic issues. Range of courses focuses on learning and applying complex quantitative economic methods. Students need an interest and aptitude for subjects such as statistics and mathematics.

Economics (TU)
+ Modules: Math, General Economics, General Business Administration, Law, Statistics, Business Informatics; Game Theory, Industrial Economics, Public Finance, Foreign Economics, Monetary Theory & Policy, Environmental & Resource Economics, Infrastructure & Competition Policy, Econometrics, upper-division courses such as Innovation Economics, Risk Management, or Health Economics (see http://www.economics.tu-berlin.de/menue/studiengangsstruktur/vwl_vertiefungsstudium/)
+ around 30 different courses per semester

Education (FU)
+ around 20-25 different courses per term
Notes: Practice-oriented education and close cooperation with schools. Broad-based approach, department encompasses 19 divisions. Research foci include the anthropology of education, pioneering research in the field, empirical research on education, schooling, and classroom instruction, school development research, and intercultural education studies. Teaching and research carried out in close collaboration with practitioners. For example, The Nightingale Project, a mentoring program to support schoolchildren with migration background, was developed at the Division of Primary Education. Working on a one-on-one basis, it helps break down barriers to education and also establishes mutual understanding.

Education (HU)
+ Modules: Basic Concepts, Theories and Research Approaches, Empirical Research and Methodology I+II, Education in World Society, Institutions of Education Past and Present, Lifelong Learning-Adult and Continuing Education, Teaching and Learning; Philosophy of Education, Historical and Cultural Studies on Education, Adult and Continuing Education: Counselling in Learning and Adult and Continuing Education
+ around 20-25 different courses per term
+ Links: https://www.hu-berlin.de/en/studies/counselling/course-catalogue/programme-descriptions/erz/ (Education Studies degree); https://www.erziehungswissenschaften.hu-berlin.de/de (Institute of Education)
+ Notes: Broad, integrated knowledge of the scientific foundations as well as a critical understanding of important topics, definitions, theories and methods. Thorough insights into the current state of the discipline and how to deal with both its scope and its limitations. Thus, students are able to reflect the basis, the effects and the challenges of the particular kind of knowledge the discipline generates. The program’s overarching perspectives include e.g. difference in educational settings, power and violence, social inequality, interculturality and gender as well as other educationally relevant topics.

Egyptology (FU)

English Language and Literature (FU)
+ around 35 different courses per semester
+ Notes: Study of the language, literature, and cultures of the Anglophone world in the broadest possible sense; study of literature written in the English-speaking world from the 8th century onward, but excluding North America [separate FU major, see North American Studies]. Major emphases are the medieval period, the early modern period, the postcolonial world, literary theory, and cultural studies. In the field of English linguistics, scholars study the English language in all its global varieties at all levels of linguistic description. Particular focus at institute: grammatical structures of the English language and
the historical development of English both with regard to variations in usage as well as in various social settings. Teaching methodology for English as a foreign language is another important subject handled at the Institute.

English Studies (HU)
+ Modules: Introduction to Linguistics, Introduction to Literature, Introduction to Culture, Literary History; Linguistics, History and Variations of English; Linguistics, Grammar; Advanced Language Studies, Practice Module, Research Methodology and Research Skills; Mandatory Elective Modules: Cognitive Linguistics, Language in Context, English Literature and Culture, American Literature and Culture
+ around 35 different courses per semester
+ Links: https://www.hu-berlin.de/en/studies/counselling/course-catalogue/programme-descriptions/eng/ (English Studies degree); https://www.angl.hu-berlin.de/ (Department of English and American Studies)
+ Notes: Combines and integrates the disciplines of American Studies with English Literature and Cultural Studies as well as Linguistics. Gives students overview of the essential, current developments in the associated sub-disciplines. Institute can trace its roots back to the oldest university English department in Germany, which also had a pioneering role in American Studies.

European Ethnology (HU)
https://www.euroethno.hu-berlin.de/de (Institute of European Ethnology); https://www.hu-berlin.de/en/studies/counselling/course-catalogue/programme-descriptions/europethno (European Ethnology degree)

Film Studies (FU)
http://www.geisteswissenschaften.fu-berlin.de/we07/film/index.html (Film Studies);
http://www.geisteswissenschaften.fu-berlin.de/we07/film/studium_filmwissenschaft/bachelor/index.html (Film Studies degree);

French Language and Literature (FU)
+ Modules: Advanced and Specialized Modules French, Linguistics, Literature (Introductory and Advanced Modules), Regional Studies
+ around 25-30 different courses per semester
+ Links: http://www.geisteswissenschaften.fu-berlin.de/we05 (Institute of Romance Language and Literature); http://www.geisteswissenschaften.fu-berlin.de/we05/studium/bachelor/studiengaenge/franzoesisch/index.html (French Language and Literature degree)
+ Notes The Institute of Romance Languages and Literatures is one of the largest and most prestigious institutions of its kind in Germany. Research and teaching at the Institute focus on literature, linguistics, and issues surrounding the teaching of Romance languages and literature.

French Language and Literature (HU)
+ Modules: Language Training (incl. Written/ Oral Expression), Linguistics, Literary Studies, Culture & Media
+ ca. 30 different courses per semester
French Studies is part of the field of Foreign Languages and Literatures. Romance Studies examines Romance languages, literatures and cultures. The subject in question uses example-based teaching methods. It also requires students to look beyond the studied language to other Romance areas and their languages and literature. The acquisition of foreign language skills is therefore not the focus of the course.

Gender Studies (HU)

German-French Literature and Cultural Studies (FU)
http://www.geisteswissenschaften.fu-berlin.de/we05/dflitkult/

NOTE TO GERMAN MAJORS:
German majors at the Berlin Universities are designed for native speakers. You will take courses for international students (on German history, culture, literature, politics) and German language courses, unless you have (near-)native language skills.

German Language and Literature (FU): Modern German Literature, Medieval German Literature and Language, Linguistics
+ around 55 different courses per semester
+ Notes: Institute is one of the largest of its kind in Germany, featuring an approach to the study of German language and literature with pronounced philological and aesthetic components. German Language and Literature encompasses three fields: linguistics, modern German literature, and medieval German literature and language. The Medieval and Early Modern German Literature research unit works on the scholarly exploration and study of the period from about 1400 to 1750. The following areas may be taken as additional qualifications for students in different fields of study: teaching of the German language and literature, German as a second language, editorial studies, and speech training.

German Language and Literature (HU): German Literature, German Language and Linguistics (German Linguistics, Historical Linguistics)

German Literature
+ Modules: Old German Literature, Modern German Literature, Text and Media Analysis, History of German Literature I-III (from the beginnings to 1650, 1600-1850, from 1800 to the present), Literary Studies as Cultural Studies; Mandatory Elective Modules: Literature and Context, Literary Studies as Cultural Studies II, Reading course I or II (pre-modern Literature or modern Literature)
+ around 55 different courses per semester
German Language and Linguistics
+ around 25 different courses per semester
+ Notes: Wide range of courses, offering differentiated insight into the core areas of German Linguistics and into the breadth of the subject. Research-related studies are a given.

Greek Language and Literature/Greek Studies (FU)
+ Modules: Greek Language and Scholarly Methods, Greek Literature: Introduction to Classical Greek Prose/Poetry, Greek Literature: Prose, Classical Byzantium, Greek Language and Style, Poetry
+ around 10-15 different courses per semester
+ Notes: Institute encompasses study of Latin and Greek languages and literature, often referred to as “Classics,” as well as Indo-European Studies and Teaching of Classical Languages. Specializing in the areas of classical Greek studies, Byzantine studies, and Modern Greek studies, scholars of Greek explore the Greek language and literature in Greek, along with Greek philosophy and culture from antiquity to the present day, tracing the influences of these factors on the non-Greek-speaking world.

Greek Studies (HU)
+ Modules: Fundamentals and Methods, Introduction to Greek Literature: Prose/Poetry, Language Training, Greek Literature I (Prose), Greek Literature II (Poetry and Culture), Greek Literature III
+ around 18 different courses per semester
+ Links: https://www.hu-berlin.de/en/studies/counselling/course-catalogue/programme-descriptions/griech/ (Greek Studies degree); https://www.klassphil.hu-berlin.de/de (Institute of Classical Philology)
+ Notes: Combines traditional classical studies approach with perspectives acquired during the last few decades of Classical Philology from dialogue with Literary Theory, Historical Anthropology, History of Mentality, Semiotics and Gender Studies. Also includes pronounced interest in media history and theory,
including issues of internet use and new media use in current academic practice. In addition, students
have opportunity to acquire knowledge in specialist disciplines such as Papyrology and Epigraphy.
Features intense discussion of original Greek texts from the very beginning, which requires
corresponding knowledge of Greek. The interdisciplinary networking that includes Greek Studies
receives particular support from associated institutions: the Collaborative Research Centre 644
‘Transformations of Antiquity’ where Greek Studies is involved in the ‘Translating Antiquity’ project, and
the August Boeckh Antiquity Center - an umbrella beneath which Greek and Latin Studies cooperate with
Ancient History, Classical Archaeology, Philosophy, Theology, Cultural Studies, New Literary Studies and
Linguistics, Legal History and the History of Science. Other Berlin universities and academic institutions
are also involved in both networks.

Modern Greek Studies (FU)
http://www.geisteswissenschaften.fu-berlin.de/en/we02/griechisch/neograezistik/index.html

History (FU)
+ Modules: Theory, Methodology, and History of the Science of History, Introduction to Ancient History,
  Introduction to the History of the Middle Ages, Introduction to the History of the Early Modern Times
  (16th-18th Century), Introduction to Contemporary History (19th-21st Century), Historic Problems across
  the Centuries, Regional Perspectives of History, Special Topics in Ancient History/the Middle Ages/the
  Early Modern Times/Contemporary History
+ around 50 different courses per semester
Institute)
+ From Ancient Greece through contemporary history; five major divisions (ancient history, medieval
history, early modern history, modern history, history education); despite chronological structure,
dividing lines between eras not seen as divisive-focus on continuity and long-term processes of change.

History (HU)
+ Modules: General Introduction, Ancient History, Medieval History, Modern History
+ around 75 different courses per semester
+ Link: https://www.geschichte.hu-berlin.de/en/homepage?set_language=en (Department of History);
  https://www.hu-berlin.de/en/studies/counselling/course-catalogue/programme-descriptions/geschkombi/ (History degree)
+ Notes: Academic courses span all historical periods, with particular emphasis placed on the European
perspective. At the Department of History, Europe is studied as a heterogeneous yet inextricably
intertwined entity situated within a broader global framework.

Iranian Studies (FU)

Islamic Studies (FU)
Italian Studies/Languages/Literature (FU)

Italian Studies
http://www.geisteswissenschaften.fu-berlin.de/we05/italienstudiengang/

Italian Language and Literature (FU)
+ Modules: Advanced & Specialization Modules Italian; Introductory & Advanced Modules Linguistics, Literature; Regional Studies
+ ca. 20 different courses per semester
+ Links: http://www.geisteswissenschaften.fu-berlin.de/we05 (Institute of Romance Language and Literature); http://www.fu-berlin.de/studium/studienangebot/grundstaendige/italienische_philologie_kombi/index.html (Italian Language and Literature degree)
+ Notes: The Institute of Romance Languages and Literatures is one of the largest and most prestigious institutions of its kind in Germany. Research and teaching at the Institute focus on literature, linguistics, and issues surrounding the teaching of Romance languages and literature.

Italian Language and Literature (HU)
+ Modules: Language Practice (Basic & Advanced, incl. Written/Oral Expression), Linguistics, Literature Studies, Culture & Media
+ ca. 30-35 different courses per semester
+ Notes: The subject Italian Studies belongs to the field of Foreign Languages. Romance Studies examines Romance languages, literatures and cultures. The subject in question uses example-based teaching methods. It also requires students to look beyond the language being studied to other Romance areas and their languages and literature. The acquisition of foreign language skills is therefore not the focus of the course.

Japanese Studies (FU)

Jewish Studies (FU)

Media and Communication Studies (FU), includes Journalism
+ Modules: Introduction to Media & Communication Studies, History & Structures of the Media System; Methods: Epistemological Principles, Data Collection & Statistics; Journalism Research & Organizational Communication, Media Impact & Publicity, Media Practice, Perspectives of Public Communication
+ around 35 different courses per semester
+ Notes: The Institute has nine divisions, where researchers examine the conditions, structures, processes, content, and effects of media communication from different scholarly perspectives. Research at the Institute falls into one of three main areas: media change; uncertainty, crisis, and risk
communication; and political communication and transformation of the public sphere.

**Media Studies (HU)**
+ Modules: Introduction to Media Studies, Media Dramaturgy & Media Performance, Media History, Media Theory & Media Archaeology, Media Economy
+ around 20 different courses per semester
+ Links: [https://www.hu-berlin.de/en/studies/counselling/course-catalogue/programme-descriptions/media%20studies/](https://www.hu-berlin.de/en/studies/counselling/course-catalogue/programme-descriptions/media%20studies/) (Media Studies degree); [https://www.musikundmedien.hu-berlin.de/de/medienwissenschaft](https://www.musikundmedien.hu-berlin.de/de/medienwissenschaft) (Field of Media Studies)
+ Notes: With its media, music and creative potential, Berlin is the perfect location for testing and applying knowledge gained during teaching sessions in practical activities. (*Media Studies only available as minor*)

**Korean Studies (FU)**

**Latin American Studies (FU)**
Notes: The Institute for Latin American Studies (LAI) at Freie Universität is the largest of its kind in Germany, and it is also one of the largest such institutes in Europe. It has a reputation for combining specialized disciplines with regional studies. The LAI encompasses seven different disciplines in the social sciences and cultural studies.

**Latin Language and Literature (FU)**
+ Modules: Encyclopedia of Latin Language and Literature, Greek Language, Literary Studies, History of Literature, Fundamental/Advanced Knowledge of Literature, Language and Texts, Comparative Literature
+ around 35 different courses per semester
+ Notes: Institute encompasses study of Latin and Greek languages and literature, often referred to as “Classics,” as well as Indo-European Studies and Teaching of Classical Languages. Particular areas of focus in the field of Latin language and literature include Roman philosophy, particularly in its Christian form, and Latin poetry of the 12th and 13th centuries, including epic and bucolic poetry.

**Latin Studies (HU)**
+ Modules: Methods and Fundamentals of Latin Studies, Language Training, Latin Literature: Prose/Poetry
+ around 20 different courses per semester
+ Links: [https://www.hu-berlin.de/en/studies/counselling/course-catalogue/programme-descriptions/lat/](https://www.hu-berlin.de/en/studies/counselling/course-catalogue/programme-descriptions/lat/) (Latin Studies degree); [https://www.klassphil.hu-berlin.de/de](https://www.klassphil.hu-berlin.de/de) (Institute of Classical Philology)
+ Notes: At HU, large number of subjects deal with classical antiquity, which continues a tradition that dates back to the founding of the university in 1810. Under the umbrella of the August Boeckh Antiquity Center (with the ‘Transformation of Classical Antiquity’ special research area as the core), Latin Studies cooperates with Greek Studies, Ancient History, Classical Philology, Philosophy, Theology, Cultural
Studies, Modern Literature Studies and Linguistics, and the History of Law and Science. Latin Studies draws on current literary and cultural studies theoretical debates. Its research focuses particularly on the following fields: Augustan, Neronian and Flavian poetry, historiography, rhetoric, late antiquity, cultural studies, the study of meter, translation studies, linguistics and new media (particularly the KIRKE internet portal).

Berlin contains a wealth of research institutes unique in the German-speaking world - the neighboring universities of FU Berlin and University of Potsdam, the Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and Humanities, the German Archaeological Institute and the museums of antiquity - which work in synergistic exchange. The benefits of the location positively impact the bachelor’s course.

Law Studies (FU)
+ around 100 different courses per semester
+ Notes: The department is organized into three academic units: Civil Law, Criminal Law, and Public Law. Activities in the field of law are determined by legal standards and regulations and by ongoing reference to legal practices and case law. As a result, one of the major areas of focus is the study of legal texts (in commentaries, court decisions, written agreements, or expert opinions) and reflection on the methods used to interpret and implement them in practice. The basic research and teaching at the Department explore the historical and philosophical dimensions of law. Key topics of research include Europeanization and international interlinking of law, with emphases on the European and international law and comparative law, but also on the international economic and regulatory law, the law in social practice, and age and demographic change within the field of law. Through cooperation with world-renowned law schools, the Center for Transnational Legal Studies offers an opportunity to explore cross-border legal issues in a multicultural and transnational environment.

Musicology (HU)
https://www.hu-berlin.de/en/studies/counselling/course-catalogue/programme-descriptions/Musikwissenschaft (Musicology degree); https://www.musikundmedien.hu-berlin.de/de/musikwissenschaft/ (Department of Musicology)

Philosophy (FU)
+ Modules: Philosophical Argumentation, Introduction to Theoretical Philosophy and Philosophical Writing, Introduction to Practical Philosophy and the Interpretation of Central Classical Works, Theoretical Philosophy, Practical Philosophy, Oral Competence in Philosophy, Specialized Focus on Philosophy, Concepts and Ways of Life
+ around 30-35 different courses per semester
+ Link: http://www.geisteswissenschaften.fu-berlin.de/en/we01/index.html and http://www.fu-
Notes: The Institute of Philosophy is among Germany’s largest and most traditional institutes in this field and is distinguished by the wide variety of disciplines covered. The members of the Institute understand philosophy as an invitation to think for themselves, and their research and teaching activities encompass a number of fields, including analytical philosophy, phenomenology, classical German philosophy, post-structuralism, and history of philosophy.

**Philosophy (HU)**

+ Modules: Introduction to Philosophy, Introduction to Logic, Logic in-depth, Writing and Argumentation, Theoretical Philosophy, Practical Philosophy, History of Philosophy, Logic/Metaphysics, Theory of Cognition/Philosophy of Mind, Ethic/Meta-Ethic or Political Philosophy; Political Philosophy, Social Philosophy and Anthropology
+ Notes: Renowned philosophers such as Fichte and Hegel taught at this department. Today, it is one of the largest in Germany. The department’s systematic focuses are Philosophy of Spirit, Philosophy of Science, Logic in Philosophy, Philosophy of Culture, Political Philosophy and Ethics. Its historic emphases are Philosophy of Classical Antiquity, the Middle Ages, Early Modern Times and German Idealism. Students are not simply ‘taught’ - they also have the opportunity to be involved in research and teaching activities at an early stage.

**Political Science (FU): includes International Studies, Global Studies**


Notes: The Otto Suhr Institute of Political Science (OSI) is the largest institute of political science in Germany, and the one with the broadest spectrum of research and teaching activities, with a nuanced and extensive range of research topics and courses. The Institute’s research focuses in particular on area studies, international relations, and environmental research.

**Psychology (FU)**

+ around 45-50 different courses per term
+ Note: Psychology at FU leans towards Social Sciences, although natural sciences are also included. The Department of Psychology is broadly based, encompassing 16 divisions. Students can earn degrees in, for example, Work, Occupational, and Organizational Psychology; Health Psychology; or Public Health. Teaching and research are carried out in close collaboration with practitioners. In the Division of Developmental Science and Applied Developmental Psychology, for example, an anti-bullying program was developed for use in schools. Called fairplayer.manual, it is being used in schools across Germany.
Psychology (HU)
+ Modules: Methodology and Scientific Working Methods, General and Biological Psychology, Personality Psychology, Social Psychology, Evolutionary and Educational Psychology, Psychological Diagnostics, Clinical Psychology and Psychotherapy, Industrial and Organizational Psychology, Developmental Psychology, Epistemological Foundations of Psychology
+ around 25 different courses per term
+ Note: Psychology at HU has a strong orientation toward the natural sciences. This is expressed in a preference for empirical or experimental investigation techniques and in the examination of the physiological foundations of psychological processes or mental illnesses. This tradition also gives rise to a focus on clinical psychology, cognitive and biological psychology, occupational, operational and organizational psychology, as well as personality and developmental psychology.

Rehabilitation Sciences (HU): including Rehabilitation Pedagogy and Deaf Studies

Religious Studies (FU)

Scandinavian Studies (HU)

Semitic Studies (FU)

Slavic Languages and Literatures (HU), including Russian, Slavic Languages and Literatures, Hungarian Literature and Culture
https://www.hu-berlin.de/en/studies/counselling/course-catalogue/programme-descriptions/slawi/ (Slavonic Languages and Literatures degree); and http://www.slawistik.hu-berlin.de/ (Institute of Slavonic Studies)

Social Sciences (HU)
https://www.sowi.hu-berlin.de/en/index.html?set_language=en (Department of Social Sciences);
https://www.hu-berlin.de/en/studies/counselling/course-catalogue/programme-descriptions/sowi (Social Sciences degree)
Notes: Department is characterized by its combination of Political Science and Sociology. In this way, all work and research topics can be dealt with integrally from two different social science perspectives. Very open to other disciplines, with close connections with areas such as Gender Studies, History, European Ethnology, Cultural Studies, Law, Economics and Psychology both within and outside of HU.
Spanish Language and Literature (FU) (minors: Catalan, Portuguese, Romanian)
+ Modules: Advanced & Specialization Modules Spanish, Linguistics, Literature, Regional Studies
+ ca. 35 different courses per semester
+ Links: [http://www.geisteswissenschaften.fu-berlin.de/we05](http://www.geisteswissenschaften.fu-berlin.de/we05) and [http://www.fu-berlin.de/studium/studienangebot/grundstaendige/spanische_philologie_mit_lateinamerikanistik_kombi/index.html](http://www.fu-berlin.de/studium/studienangebot/grundstaendige/spanische_philologie_mit_lateinamerikanistik_kombi/index.html)
+ Notes: The Institute of Romance Languages and Literatures is one of the largest and most prestigious institutions of its kind in Germany. Research and teaching at the Institute focus on literature, linguistics, and issues surrounding the teaching of Romance languages and literature.

Spanish Language & Literature (HU)
+ Modules: Language Training (Basic & Advanced, including Written/Oral Expression), Linguistics, Literary Study, Culture & Media
+ ca. 38 different courses per semester
+ Notes: Spanish Studies is part of the field of Foreign Languages and Literatures. Romance Studies examines Romance languages, literatures and cultures. The subject in question uses example-based teaching methods. It also requires students to look beyond the language being studied to other Romance areas and their languages and literature. The acquisition of foreign language skills is therefore not the focus of the course.

Sports Science (HU)

Theater Studies (FU)
[http://www.geisteswissenschaften.fu-berlin.de/we07/index.html](http://www.geisteswissenschaften.fu-berlin.de/we07/index.html)
Notes: Includes theatrical aesthetics, theory, and history, framing these subjects within a broad theatrical discourse on the conditions for formation and impact. The program is predominantly focused on the theoretical, historical, and critical aspects of the diversity of form in theater, fostering interdisciplinary connections between different arts, media, and culture.

Turkic Studies (FU)