International Soldiers

Facts beyond the Study Programs
Study Programs

Study programs at our University are organized in trimesters and with an excellent academic body. Our way in organizing study programs enables students to finish a Bachelor’s and a Master’s program within four years, altogether. 90 percent of our students are soldiers of the Federal Armed Forces, and there is a variable proportion of international students and students from partner companies and public administration. Our 2,500 students enjoy studying in small groups. Most of them live on the campus site. Senior officers provide support and guidance to younger students. Our university belongs to the highest category of German higher education institutions. We offer Bachelor’s programs (2 ¼ years, Master’s programs (1 ¾ years) and PhD degrees. Detailed descriptions of all study programs can be found at www.hsu-hh.de and can be ordered at the contact addresses supplied at the end of this document.

List of Bachelor’s and Master’s programs:
- Automotive Engineering (M. Sc.)
- Business Administration (B. Sc., M. Sc.)
- Comparative Democracy Research (M. A.)
- Computational Engineering (M. Sc.)
- Economics (B. Sc., M. Sc.)
- Educational Sciences (B. A., M. A.)
- Electrical Engineering (B. Sc.)
- Engineering Science (B. Sc., M. Sc.)
- Energy and Environmental Technology (M. Sc.)
- Energy Management (M. Sc.)
- History (B. A., M. A.)
- Industrial Engineering (B. Sc., M. Sc.)
- Information Technology (M. Sc.)
- International Relations (M. A.)
- Mechanical Engineering (B. Sc.)
- Mechatronics (M. Sc.)
- Political Science (B. A.)
- Product Engineering and Logistics (M. Sc.)
- Psychology (B. Sc., M. Sc.)
- Renewable Energy and Smart Grids (M. Sc.)

Upcoming programs:
- Civil Engineering (B. Sc., starting in Oct. 2018)
- Logistics (B. Sc., starting in Oct. 2019)
- Defence and Security Management (B. Sc., starting in Oct. 2021, taught in English)

Study programs at Helmut Schmidt University are preliminary taught in German. Up to now, the program Engineering Science is the only program entirely taught in English. If international partner like to send their students for only one trimester we are able to assemble these modules to an individual program.

Most of the study programs at Helmut Schmidt University teach the same course content like study programs at other German civil Universities. Our academic staff is used to exemplify course content with military examples.

Earning a PhD at Helmut Schmidt is possible in all fields of the afore mentioned Bachelor’s and Master’s programs. The German language is not a prerequisite for completing doctoral studies at Helmut Schmidt University.

Applications for doctoral studies do not have a due date. For further information on the opportunities at Helmut Schmidt University please contact Dr. Larmann or the respective professor who is lecturing your subject of interest.

The Military Environment

German soldiers studying at Helmut Schmidt University take part in basic and follow-on military training (usually a total of 3.5 hours per week). International soldiers can participate in these and further military activities, if the sending na-
tion agreed on integrating the soldiers in the local command chain. In addition, the University supports the participation in activities offered by the Hamburg Reserve Command.

The campus site offers a wide range of sports opportunities, including two gym halls and an indoor swimming pool. Students are expected to take part in at least two 90-minute sessions per week.

Language Courses

The university’s language centre offers courses in English, French, Spanish, Russian, Arabic and other modern foreign languages. International students may acquire basic or advanced knowledge alongside their study program or their doctoral work in German language classes.

Application and Admission

Applications from international armed forces are always welcome. Due to restrictions in German higher education law Helmut Schmidt University has to assess each and every individual application for a Bachelor’s or Master’s program at an early point of time. Applications for Bachelor’s programs should be submitted until May 1st. The application process starts with the submission of a language certificate SLP 3332 (STANAG 6001) and the school graduation certificate (in English) to this address:

pruefungsamt@hsu-hh.de

Studying a full Bachelor’s or Master’s program at Helmut Schmidt University is subject to different levels of tuition fees (6000 - 10000 EUR per year). Only limited or even no tuition fee will be raised for nations with a cooperation contract.

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