

SCHOOL OF LAW
INFORMATION PACK
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FREIE UNIVERSITÄT
BERLIN

University Website: <http://www.fu-berlin.de/en>

Law School Website: <http://www.jura.fu-berlin.de/en>

Term Dates:

The academic year is split into two terms.

Term one runs from October to February.

Term two runs from April to August.

There is an exam session at the end of each term, as there are no full year modules.

You can find the calendar at:

<http://www.fu-berlin.de/en/studium/studienorganisation/termine/>

Orientation:

In the weeks leading up to the start of term, the university runs special orientation events for ERASMUS students.

Find out more at:

http://www.fu-berlin.de/en/studium/international/studium_fu/auslandssemester/erasmus_in/infos_incomingstudents/index.html

Accommodation & Cost of Living:

Berlin offers apartment accommodation specifically for exchange students, for €390 to €500 per month.

There are also student halls available through Studentenwerk Berlin. Rooms range from shared facilities to en-suites.

Another option is to “apartment swap” with an outgoing exchange student from Berlin.

You can find information about all the options at: http://www.fu-berlin.de/en/studium/international/studium_fu/auslandssemester/Living_in_Berlin.html

Please be aware that the general quality of accommodation abroad may vary. You have to be flexible and be prepared to compromise. Accommodation may not meet the standard that you are used to in the UK.

Academic Requirements:

Module Choices:

During your year you are required to take 60 ECTS worth of courses.

You are required to take the following **compulsory modules**:

Wintersemester	Sommersemester
Einführung in die Rechtsordnung der Bundesrepublik Deutschland	
Zivilrecht: Einführung in das Bürgerliche Recht (+ Methodenkurs)	Zivilrecht: Allgemeines Schuldrecht (+ Methodenkurs)
Verfassungsrecht: Einführung in das Öffentliche Recht (+ Methodenkurs) OR Strafrecht: Einführung in das Strafrecht I und Delikte gegen die Person (+ Methodenkurs)	Verfassungsrecht: Grund- und Menschenrechte (+Methodenkurs) OR Strafrecht: Einführung in das Strafrecht II und Eigentumsdelikte (+ Methodenkurs)

Optional modules:

In addition to these courses, you have a wide choice of options. Optional modules can cover any area of law, provided the host university offers the module for exchange students, but must be taught in German. Students are permitted to study non-law modules (including language courses) for up to 15 ECTS worth of courses.

You can find a list of available modules for the winter semester and the summer semester at <https://www.jura.fu-berlin.de/en/international/studierendenaustausch/incomings/kurse>

Exams:

Students are required to take **written exams** for the **compulsory modules** *Einführung in das Bürgerliche Recht* and *Allgemeines Schuldrecht* and EITHER *Einführung in das Öffentliche Recht* and *Grund- und Menschenrechte* OR *Einführung in das Strafrecht I und II*.

If a written exam is not offered for exchange students an oral exam can replace the written exam, but Law School permission is required.

If there is a separate exam for the *Methodenkurs* (seminar) for either of these courses the students may take an additional written or oral exam for the seminar which will generally count towards the mark of that course.

Students may take either written or oral exams for the compulsory module *Einführung in die Rechtsordnung der Bundesrepublik Deutschland* and all the optional modules.

Module Translation:

Please note that module translation rules and conversion tables are under review every year and subject to change.

One full module mark: average of marks for Einführung in das deutsche Recht + marks for Einführung in das Bürgerliche Recht + marks for Allgemeines Schuldrecht + marks for best optional module result

One half module mark: average of marks for EITHER Einführung in das Öffentliche Recht and Grund- und Menschenrechte OR marks for Strafrecht I and Strafrecht II AND marks for second best optional module result

One half module mark: average of marks for remaining optional modules.

Mark Conversion Table:

Law Subjects:

German Mark	Written exam (Klausur)		Oral exam (Mündliche Prüfung)		Dissertation (Hausarbeit)	
	Warwick Mark	Degree class	Warwick Mark	Degree class	Warwick Mark	Degree class
18	94	1 st	88	1 st	88	1 st
17	88		82			
16	82		78			
15	80		74			
14	78		70			
13	76		68		2.1	
12	74	66				
11	72	64				
10	70	62				
09	68	2.1	58	2.2	58	2.2
08	65		56			
07	62		54			
06	58	2.2	52	2.2	52	2.2
05	55		48		3 rd	
04	45	3 rd	42	42		
03	38	Fail	38	Fail	38	Fail
02	32		32			
01	25		25			
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(NOTE: our mark conversion tables are always under review and subject to change).

Non-Law Subjects (= University-wide conversion table for German marks):

Berlin Mark	Warwick Mark	Degree Class
1.0	83	1st
1.1	76	
1.2	74	
1.3	72	
1.4	68	2.1
1.7	66	
2.0	64	
2.3	62	
2.5	60	
2.7	58	2.2
2.9	56	
3.0	55	
3.1 or 3.2	54	
3.3 or 3.4	53	
3.5, 3.6, 3.7	53	
3.8 or 3.9	50	
4.0	48	3rd
4.2	46	
4.4	44	
4.6	42	
4.8	40	
5.0 and higher	38	Fail

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