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Questions around Visas /Enrollment / Arrival

Can the programme start at a later point?

No, the start of the semester will not be pushed back. Although this is an international programme, German and European students also enroll and we have to make sure all start at the same time.

Can I defer my admission?

Admissions may not be deferred. If you cannot attend this fall, you may re-apply again for the next intake. You will have to go through the application process again, however, you do not have to pay the application fee (where applicable) again.

Can I enroll online?

Yes, we will offer you online enrollment. This will entail for you to pay the semester contribution (exact amount to be announced), get health insurance starting on October 1 and we will need a few details. All this will be sent to you once all details are taken care of.

What if I get my visa after the enrollment date?

See "Can I enroll online?"

Can you provide us with a statement that we do not need an A2 certificate?

Your admissions documents state that you need to proof the knowledge of A2, not that you need to provide a certificate.

Is this a conditional or unconditional acceptance?

Please refer to your documents. This depends on several points, if you have already graduated and provided us with a degree certificate, if you have already fulfilled your English and German language requirements, etc.

Do I need to show proof of German public health insurance if classes are online?

Yes, you do. Please check with your health insurance provider for all details.

Is student housing available?

Yes, student housing is available. For some general information, please check here: <https://www.stw-on.de/en/braunschweig/housing/>. We already send out a guide to accommodation in Braunschweig.

If I am unable to secure housing by the time classes start, is there temporary housing available?

No, there is no temporary housing available. So far, our students were always able to find appropriate housing.

Who will be the person of contact once I reach Braunschweig?

There is no one person of contact. You will reach out to the CSE office as well as your batch mates and your mentor. You can also contact the CSE student council (CSE Fachgruppe) if you have any questions. This all depends on when you will actually reach Braunschweig.

Which bank is preferred to open a blocked account?

There are no preferences (You can find more information here: <https://www.mygermanuniversity.com/articles/Declaration-of-Commitment-for-German-Visa>)

Is the programme approved by Indian Banks?

We are not privy to that information. As far as we are aware, students from India were able to apply for their loans without any major problems.

Is there a separate offer letter for the embassy?

No, the documents provided will suffice for the visa application.

What documents can I anticipate from the university until August?

- Information on online enrollment and the documents needed for that process
- Information on housing in Braunschweig
- Date for online induction classes
- Emails from the language center if you have not yet fulfilled your German language requirement
- Email by language center regarding online German classes before August (limited number)
- Etc.

This list is not exhaustive.

Can you help us with visa services?

No, we are unfortunately neither able to help with any questions around visas nor with the actual visa process.

Questions about Induction (Orientation)

What happens if I am not able to attend induction?

We will be offering all German classes and the so-called refresher mainly in presence classes. Note that the university is aiming at offering classes in person. CSE is not a virtual/online programme. If you have any difficulties with participation, please contact the Programme Coordination (cse@tu-braunschweig.de)

Questions about the Programme

Will classes be offered online?

Most courses take place in person.

What are specific prerequisites / skills / subject knowledge that I need for the programme?

Please refer to your results from the FIT4 TU self-assessment. This will guide you to which areas you might want to brush up on. Because CSE is interdisciplinary, you will have to look at your personal skill set and the goals you plan to achieve. During your studies you will have a mentor (professor of the TU) who will guide you.

How many students are able to graduate within 4 semesters?

Few are able to graduate within the 4 semesters. Particularly international students take 1-2 semesters to get settled and up to speed. That being said, there are students, also international students, that graduate in 4 semesters. The study period of 4 semesters serves as an orientation.

What if I cannot graduate after 4 semesters?

There are no repercussions from the university's side. It does mean that you will have to provide the financial means to support yourself for the additional semesters.

Can I study CSE in English?

You have applied for a 100% English programme. Limiting yourself to classes is not advisable as this would mean that you are selecting your classes based on the language they are taught rather than the content they teach. There are some courses that are taught in German only, but you can choose courses in your elective area that are taught in English or German.

Is there a programme such as "earn while learn"?

No, there is not. Many students work at the university to help support themselves.

Is there a deadline for my arrival in Braunschweig?

Yes, there is. The exact date has been stated in your admissions letter.

When will the lectures start?

October

What are IDCs and how can I find classes for the part of my study plan?

These are elective classes that can be any class that is relevant to your study plan/ the programme at the TU Braunschweig or another university. They have to be master level classes, worth 5 credit points and your mentor has signed them off.

Before the start of the semester we will offer an intro to the study plan where this will be discussed in length.

What are the job opportunities after graduation?

Leaving the COVID-19 pandemic out of the picture, graduates stated in the last graduate survey that it took 73% 0-5 months to find their first position.

When does the process of selecting classes start, and whom may I consult with on the topic?

Most classes during your first semester will be compulsory, therefore there is no selection. There are two compulsory electives that you may choose. You will have to find a mentor and discuss your choices with him or her.

Miscellaneous

Internship / job opportunities in and around Braunschweig

Most CSE students find internships / jobs in and around Braunschweig, in industry and at the university.

Are there any scholarships provided by the university?

Please refer to this page: <https://www.tu-braunschweig.de/stipendien>. We also pass along any information that is sent to us to all students.

Are internships a requirement at CSE?

No, they are not required. However, we highly encourage students to look for internships.

Is there a recommendation in terms of personal computers?

No, there is not.