

Bard College Berlin

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Strong campus community and small seminar groups

True to the principles of liberal arts education, Bard College Berlin offers interdisciplinary programs in the humanities and social sciences, with a strong focus on individual growth and the development of essential skills in writing and thinking.

The college campus is located in a residential area not far from the center of the vibrant city of Berlin. In small seminar groups students have the opportunity to pursue a rigorous course of study in the concentrations of Art and Aesthetics, Artistic Practice, Economics, Ethics and Politics, Literature and Rhetoric, and Politics. There are also a wide range of electives in the fields of philosophy, literature, film, art, history, the practicing arts, and social and economic theory that students can choose from.

Erasmus Code	D BERLIN33
Website:	http://www.berlin.bard.edu/
Head of Institution:	Prof. Florian Becker, Managing Director
Academic Coordinator:	Prof. Dr. Catherine Toal, Dean
Type of Institution	Private
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Academic Information

Required language skills	English: C1/IELTS 7/Cambridge A-C/TOEFL (internet-based) 95/Duolingo 130
Courses/Credits per term	Minimum: 32 ECTS Maximum: 40 ECTS
Concentrations	Art and Aesthetics; Economics; Ethics and Politics; Literature and Rhetoric, internship program (ECTS credit plus internship seminar)
Course catalogue	https://berlin.bard.edu/academics/courses/search/

Grading System	American, A-F (https://berlin.bard.edu/for-students/student-handbook/)
Period of Exchange	Fall semester, spring semester, academic year
Minimum Academic Requirements	3.0 GPA (or equivalent), at least 1.5 years completed at home university at the time of application
Academic Calendar	End of August-December (Fall), end of January-mid May (Spring). Please note, you will be required to attend a mandatory in-person orientation prior to the start of the semester.
Contact	registrar@berlin.bard.edu

Application Information

Fall/Academic Year Nomination Deadline	1 April
Fall/Academic Year Application Deadline	15 April
Spring Nomination Deadline	1 October
Spring Application Deadline	15 October
Application Process	After nomination by your host university, fill out the online application form sent to you via email and upload required documents. Recommendation letter must be sent directly from the recommender to studyabroad@berlin.bard.edu.
Required Application Documents	CV, English language certificate, transcript, short motivation statement, faculty recommendation letter, passport scan, headshot for ID photo

Student Accommodation

Website	https://berlin.bard.edu/student-life/campus-experience/housing/
Contact	Zoltan Helmich, Alisher Norov
Email	reslife@berlin.bard.edu
Available Housing Types	Limited housing on-campus with single and shared rooms (highly recommended) with or without meal plan, independent off-campus
On-Campus Meal Plan	Meal plan included in comprehensive housing fee
Cost	Approx. 5375€/term with mealplan, subject to change

Living Costs

Estimated per Month	950-1300€/month including living costs – less if living on campus
Semester-long transportation ticket for all Berlin zones for all public transportation	250€ to be paid to BCB per semester. Transportation ticket period for fall semester is through 31 December and for spring is through 30 June.

Health Insurance

EHIC or Techniker Krankenkasse	BCB assists students without an EHIC card in getting TK public health insurance prior to their arrival. Students studying an entire academic year at BCB and working will be required to get German health insurance.
Contact	Atticus Kleen
Email	healthinsurance@berlin.bard.edu

Visa

Visas	Please check this page from the Auswärtiges Amt to see if your citizenship requires an entry visa for studying or potentially a residence permit. Make sure to read the footnotes. If you are required an entry visa and don't currently hold an EU/EFTA residence permit, you will need to apply for a study visa for the entire duration of your exchange. Please refer to your local German Embassy or Consulate for the processes and required documentation. BCB provides a visa invitation letter. If you are allowed to enter Germany and apply for a student permit, BCB can submit your application after you have arrived in Berlin. You are also welcome to apply for a visa to avoid lengthy residence permit processing times. Non-EU/EFTA students with valid residence permits in EU countries tend to be able to apply for a student residence permit after arrival in Berlin (please check with the relevant embassy to be sure). Students are welcome to apply for visas at their local embassies beforehand to avoid the lengthy process and processing times during their exchange semester. Visa invitation letters are issued digitally unless otherwise requested.
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